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RAGBRAI will return to county

New Hampton, Ionia to be 'pass-through' towns, Lawler will be meeting place

By BOB FENSKE
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RAGBRAI's ride through Chickasaw County this summer has been discussed by mayors and law enforcement personnel for almost a month, but until Sunday, the return of Iowa's biggest bike ride wasn't official. Now, it is. The full route for the Register's

Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa was published in the Sunday edition of the Des Moines Register, and the Friday, July 29, ride between Charles City and West Union will feature Ionia, New Hampton, Waucoma and Hawkeye as pass-through towns while the so-called "meeting town" will be Lawler on the ride's penultimate day. The first half of the route is the same as the one RAGBRAI used in 2017,

when New Hampton was the meet town and Ionia and Lawler were pass-through towns during a Thursday ride between Charles City and Cresco. "It's great for our city and our county," New Horizons-Chamber Director Jason Speltz said, "because it gives us another chance to give thousands of people from not just Iowa but around the world a great impression of New Hampton and Chickasaw County. I

think we all remember that it was a lot of work five years ago, but it was also so much fun — for the riders, for us, for everyone." When RAGBRAI came through New Hampton in 2017, it marked the first time in 42 years it had visited the "City of Expanding Horizons." Now, it's returning five years later, which New

Hampton Mayor Bobby Schwickerath says speaks volumes about the impression the city made in 2017.

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Siblings Doug Schueth and Jackie Perkins take a moment to pose for a photo in the New Hampton hardware store their family has owned and operated since 1922.

LOOKING AHEAD!

SCHUETH'S ACE HARDWARE GEARS UP FOR 100TH BIRTHDAY

By BOB FENSKE
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Ask Doug Schueth and Jackie Perkins about the future of the hardware store that has been in their family for 100 years, and they will tell you that their goals are the same their grandfather had when he purchased the New Hampton store a century ago. Ask them why customer service is so important to them, and the two siblings who co-own Schueth Ace Hardware Store have a quick answer. "Since we were little kids," Schueth said, "it was modeled to us ..." And his sister completed the thought.

"... And we have tried to model it to our employees, too. It's everything to us." Providing great customer service, it's the reason Schueth Ace Hardware is getting ready to celebrate that milestone birthday. It's what both owners say will carry what has become a New Hampton institution into its second century of business. Inserted in this edition of the Tribune is the newspaper's annual "progress edition," one that this year focuses on the future of New Hampton and the surrounding area. And sometimes, the best way to plan for the future is to look back, and Schueth Ace

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Check out our annual progress edition, "Expanding Horizons" in the B and C sections of this week's edition of the Tribune.

Mental health facility, county to part ways

Board of Supervisors vote 3-2 to give Inspiring Lives 90-day notice

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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A local mental health facility is in jeopardy of shutting its doors if the 15-bed unit can't come to a new agreement with the county on its current lease. Inspiring Lives — a drug and alcohol treatment center formerly known as Prairie View Management — was given a 90-day notice to terminate its lease at the county's Heritage building on New Hampton's south side by June 30 of this year by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors at Monday's meeting this week. The facility is located at 2275 South Linn Avenue in New Hampton. An email was sent to the county regarding the lease on March 22 and in that memo Inspiring Lives CEO/Administrator Laura Peyton stated the \$2,000 monthly rent that the county came to a consensus on in a proposed new lease contract was not feasible with the facility's current budget. Inspiring Lives stated it would terminate its lease on Oct. 1, 2022. In turn, the Board of Supervisors voted 3-2 to end that lease earlier than that proposed date with the required allowed time of 90 days or before the new Fiscal Year starts on June 30 — a little over three months from the time of Monday's meeting. "There's so much to think about here, guys. The way I read the letter — they're done," said Board member Jacob Hackman. "I think they're out."

COUNTY SIGNS OFF ON LAW ENFORCEMENT DEAL WITH NASHUA.

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Hackman said he thinks the cost of the rent is the stumbling block in the center's reluctance to agree to the new lease. He also has concerns like the facility's water and sewer bill that came to over \$13,500 in a year. "Maybe there's some issues we don't know about," said Hackman. Board member Jason Byrne made the motion to terminate the lease in three months and he was seconded by Steve Breitbach. Both board

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Wanted immediately: Lifeguards for the pool

Shortage even more acute than it was last summer

By BOB FENSKE
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Tara Hackman didn't want to use the word desperate, but in the end, the New Hampton Parks and Recreation program director settled on the word when it came to the lifeguard situation at the New Hampton Municipal Pool for the upcoming swim season. As of Friday, Parks and Recreation has five lifeguards hired to work a season that is supposed to start on May 28 and run through the middle of August. And five isn't enough. Not even

close. "We need 12 at a bare minimum," Hackman said, "and that will get us only to where we were at last year when we had to shorten hours, have off days and all that other stuff. I don't like the word, but honestly, we're at the point where we're getting desperate. We need lifeguards." A year ago, the pool also faced a lifeguard shortage, and Hackman said she had hoped that 2021 was a one-year "blip." The pool was coming off a 2020

SEE POOL, 3



A concert with a host of bands!

New Hampton High School student Ava Thronson plays the flute with the Concert Band during New Hampton's annual Parade of Bands Concert that was held Monday night and included performances by the school district's students in grades 5-12.

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 Bob Fenske/Tribune

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 Turkey Valley's track athletes get first official meet in the books and have strong showing at UIC

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Ready for golf
 New Hampton's golf teams have plenty of reasons to be excited for season

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Hardware store looking forward to second century

HARDWARE STORE: FROM 1

Hardware has one heck of a history — one that the Tribune will tell when the store celebrates its 100 years in business during the week of New Hampton's Heartland Days in June.

But as they gear up for the party, they are grateful for those who came before them.

That list starts, of course, with J.G. Schueth and his wife, Irene, who bought the store in 1922 and ran it for years at its location next to O'Connor's Clothier, for years.

The store expanded in 1946 at its original location, which is where New Hampton's Chinese restaurant is now located.

The store was eventually taken over by their sons — Jim, who returned home to work at the store in 1952 and Don, who did the same in 1960.

In 1970, the store moved a block to the west on New Hampton's Main Street, and in 1992, with the retirement of Jim Schueth, Doug Schueth returned to the store.

Five years later, the store expanded again, and in 2000, Doug's sister, Jackie, left her career in grocery to work in the family store.

For 22 years, the two siblings have worked together. They opened a second store in Charles City in 2005, and they joke that having two stores is a plus because they don't have to work together seven days a week.

"Seriously, though, we do get along very well," Perkins said, "and we may not always agree — no one does — but we respect each other and when we make a decision, we're all in."

Her older brother said that one of the keys for the siblings is that they recognize their strengths and weaknesses.

"I always tell people what I'm not good at it, she is," he said, "and it's vice versa. I don't know if either one of us when we were kids thought we'd work together or we'd work together here, but I feel very fortunate to work with Jackie."

And as he finished his sentence, his sister was nodding her head in agreement.

They will also tell you that they had great teachers in their grandparents, their parents and their uncle.

And the lessons were simple: Treat customers well and understand that you are a part of a community.

In June, the siblings will lead

the New Hampton Heartland Days Parade during a week in which their store will celebrate its 100th birthday. There will be a big sale event, and, yes, there will be a big party.

Family members will return. Schueth Ace Hardware in Charles City will close a tad early on the day of the parade so that the employees at that store can take part in the festivities both during the parade and a concert by the Dweebies, which will be sponsored by the store.

"We've got most of the plans set, and it's really just some of the details we want to iron out," Perkins said.

"We want our employees to be a big part of this, because over the years, we've had so many good ones. They make our store what it is."

Schueth Ace Hardware has changed over the years, there's no question about that. At different times in its history, it sold washers, dryers, televisions and guns, just to name several items that it no longer carries, for today, it is focused on three things — hardware, gifts and rentals.

That commitment, though, to customer service — helping folks out in a variety of ways — hasn't.

"Grandpa over the years, he carried a lot of people who just, you know, couldn't," Schueth said. "I can still remember one guy coming in and putting 50 cents on his account. Grandpa was loyal but so was that guy. We've tried — all of us who came after — to follow in those footsteps."

There's another word that means the world to the brother and sister who carry on the Schueth Ace Hardware tradition.

Honesty.

That means they're not going to "oversell" to a customer, but they're also going to say "that isn't going to work; you need this."

On a recent Sunday, the two siblings looked over old pictures and talked about the history of the store for the upcoming story, and they were asked how they envisioned the future of their store?

Schueth smiled at his sister. "We're going to do what Schueths have always done — treat our customers right and value our employees, right?"

His sister smiled right back at him and had a one-word answer.

"Absolutely."



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Showcasing our dancers!

The New Hampton Dance Team wraps up their hip-hop routine during the annual Dance Showcase that was held in the old high school gym on Friday night.



Kylee Junk (above) performs a solo while Kelli Jirak (right) is all smiles as the Dance Team completes a pom routine.



Madelyn Hennings (above) does the split during her solo while Annala Elliott (right) takes part in New Hampton's state championship props routine.



Dance Team members (from left) Natalie Marr, Maddie Hidding, Lauren Smith and Katie Steinlage perform a routine during the Showcase, which annually wraps up a dance season that begins in the summer.

City-wide garage sales set for June 2-4

New Hampton will hold its annual spring city-wide garage sales during the first week of June, beginning on Thursday, June 2 and ending on Saturday, June 4.

Look for more details about the event and how to advertise your sale in upcoming issues of the Tribune.

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RAGBRAI riders fill New Hampton’s Main Street on July 27, 2017, and five years later, the nation’s largest week-long bike ride will return to Chickasaw County this summer.

Cities, county already preparing for RAGBRAI

RAGBRAI: FROM 1

“I think that definitely helped, and we knew people liked our set up, liked the effort we put into it,” said Schwickerath, who also serves as the president of New Horizons. “We had people calling back trying to get shirts because they wanted something to remember us.

“To me, the intangibles of having RAGBRAI come through are huge. It’s a feather in the cap for your city.”

But the crowd that will descend upon New Hampton may be a tad smaller on Friday, July 29, 2022, than it was on Thursday, July 27, 2017. Likewise, it may be bigger in Lawler.

That’s because the two cities are “trading” roles and Lawler will be the “meeting” town where RAGBRAI riders and their support vehicles — ranging from buses to trucks — hook up usually midway through a day’s route.

“We’re working on finding the space and making it work,” Lawler Mayor Mark Muetherthies said last week. “We’re Lawler, and we’re going

RAGBRAI OVERNIGHT AND MEETING TOWNS

Here is a look at the RAGBRAI overnight and meeting towns, with their populations, for the ride that will be held this summer between July 24 through July 30:

OVERNIGHT

Sergeant Bluff.....5,015
Ida Grove.....2,051
Pocahontas1,867
Emmetsburg3,706

Mason City27,338
Charles City7,396
West Union2,490
Lansing968

MEETING TOWNS

Anthon545
Newell.....606
West Bend791
Britt.....2,044
Marble Rock271
Lawler.....404
Postville2,503

to have a lot of people come together to make sure we do it right, but we know we have a lot of work ahead of us.”

Either way, cities along the route will see thousands of bike riders pass through their cities on the last Friday of July.

Schwickerath said New Hampton saved a good portion of its “decorations” from five years ago while Speltz said the chamber is working on booking entertainment for the day.

“We have a lot of the initial expenses — the decorations and all that — out of the way,” New Hampton’s mayor said, “and we

have a better idea of what we’re going to have for expenses so we’ll definitely be ready.”

New Hampton Police Chief Zach Nosbisch and Chickasaw County Sheriff Marty Hemann, whose office provides law enforcement services to both Ionia and Lawler, have told their respective “boards” — the New Hampton City Council and the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors — that they are both already preparing for the day.

“It helps that we’ve been through this just five years ago,” Hemann recently told the

Board of Supervisors. “We have a good idea what to expect, and for the most part, it went very well five years ago and we think it should go very well this year, too. We had thousands of visitors making the way through the county in 2017, and the vast majority were just awesome for our deputies to deal with.”

RAGBRAI XLIX will begin on Sunday, July 24, in Sergeant Bluff and will end on Saturday, July 30, in Lansing. It will cover 462 miles and include overnight stops in Ida Grove, Pocahontas, Emmetsburg, Mason City, Charles City and West Union.

This year’s ride will be first since 1984 to feature a “Century Day” instead of an optional added-mileage loop as riders will travel 105 miles between Emmetsburg and Mason City. Friday’s distance between Charles City and West Union will cover 63 miles and comes after the shortest day of the ride, the 47.9-mile jaunt from Mason City to Charles City.

The day RAGBRAI will make its trek through Chickasaw County will also be Iowa State Patrol Appreciation Day.

Parks and Rec makes pitch for lifeguards, t-ball coordinator

POOL: FROM 1

season in which it didn’t open because of the COVID-19 pandemic, and that led to a dramatic decrease in lifeguard applications.

The hope, though, was that a number of lifeguards who worked at the pool in 2021 would return in 2022. Throw in a batch of “new applicants” and pool officials were hopeful that they wouldn’t have to deal with a repeat of last year, when the pool had to close early some days and not open at all others because it didn’t have enough lifeguards.

“We can’t have our lifeguards working seven days a week,” she said. “One, no one wants to do that, and two, we also don’t want to burn them out. Yes, it’s a fun job. You get to be in the sun all day, but there’s also a lot of pressure that comes with being a lifeguard. They need time off, too.”

But the applicants haven’t come, despite the best efforts of Hackman, New Hampton Parks and Recreation Director Rick Kramer and others. They have visited area high schools, used social media and advertised extensively.

Two months before the pool is set to open, however, it faces an even more desperate situation than it did in 2021. She said a year ago there were a number of adults who said they might be willing to become certified as lifeguards and work at the pool, but they haven’t materialized. Meanwhile, a number of 2021 lifeguards are now in college and aren’t returning to New Hampton and the area this summer while high school students, Hackman concedes, are busier than ever.

“They have their sports and other activities,” she said, “and that makes it really tough, too. Plus, even though we’ve done our best to raise our pay [to \$10 per hour], we also know kids have other opportunities when it comes to work. The bottom line is we’re in a bind.”

Her hope is that residents will read this story and help with the recruitment process.

“If anyone is interested at

all, we’ve loved to talk to them,” she said. “The pool’s a big part of our community every summer, and we want it to be open as much as possible, but if there’s any consolation — and it really isn’t — it is that we’re not the only ones going through this. We hear the stories from other pools and they’re going through the same things we’re going through.”

Those who want to become lifeguards need to go through a certification class, which will be held in New Hampton in May. The cost of the three-day course is \$160, but Hackman said the department is willing to work with potential lifeguards “if that fee is an issue.”

The good news, Hackman said, is that she believes the pool has enough water safety instructors (WSIs) for its swimming lessons, although the department is also on the lookout for aides that are needed during lessons.

The No. 1 priority, though, is to find lifeguards.

“We have to meet state guidelines,” she said, “and obviously, safety for our swimmers has to come first. We’re hoping by getting the word out, we can get people interested because, like I said, our goal is always going to be have a full season because we know how important the pool is to a lot of people in our community.”

SAVE FOR THE pool and one other

position, New Hampton Parks and Recreation’s hiring for the plethora of summer programs it offers is going well.

But the department’s program manager said the search for that other position, the coordinator of Start Smart T-Ball, is going into overdrive.

The position oversees a group of high school students who coach young t-ballers for a four-week period each summer.

“Basically the coordinator plans the activities, the drills, things like that,” Hackman said, “and we think it works best if it’s a college student or an adult because it’s awfully hard for a high school student to oversee other high school students.”

The program is scheduled to be held four days a week for four weeks in June. The program is currently scheduled to be held from 8 a.m. to noon each day, but Hackman said she is willing to “look at those times if they need to change to find the right person.”

The salary for the position is \$1,500.

“My one reminder to people who are interested in it is that it’s not just the four hours a day, four day a week,” she said, “because you’re also doing the planning for each day, but it’s a great way to get experience or it would be a great fit for teachers who have that experience with kids.”

Anyone interested in taking on the t-ball position can call Hackman at 641-394-5464.

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Local educators receive two grants for community wide projects

The New Hampton Education Association was awarded \$1,000 for Community Outreach Grants from the Iowa State Education Association (ISEA) toward two community projects.

The ISEA established Community Outreach Grants to collaborate and create opportunities for community service or school projects. Grants are available to members of the ISEA.

“We know our public education employees work hard building foundations for deeper relationships with students, families, and communities; ISEA’s Community Outreach Grants give ISEA members a boost for projects outside the scope of a workday,” said ISEA President, Mike Beranek.

For their first project, members of the New Hampton Education Association and community businesses will partner with the New Hampton Parks and Recreation program to make an all-inclusive park.

The grant will go toward a SpinAtrium which is easy to spin, and its map of the world creates opportunities for conversation and learning. It encourages social play, including solitary and on-looker; sensory play, including auditory and visual; and other types of play, such as functional and symbolic.

Members of the New Hampton Education Association and members of the community will help get the park ready and install the equipment. The all-inclusive park will benefit children with disabilities and their families.

The second project partners with the New Hampton Public Library and the New Hampton Parks and Recreation program to give out free books to children in the community at a breakfast sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department. New Hampton Education Association members and other volunteers will help at the breakfast and distribute the free books.

“We know educators go above and beyond in creating school and community environments that help students learn and grow. The ISEA is proud to partner with our members in these efforts,” said Mike Beranek, President of the Iowa State Education Association.

“The New Hampton Education Association is dedicated to helping their students, families, and entire community. We are honored to be a part of their continuing efforts,” added Beranek.

Thank You

The Chickasaw Event Center would like to thank all of our friends who purchased a ticket and supported us in attending and donating to our Irish Beef Stew Party!

A special thank you goes to those who prepared the food & stew. Thanks to the contributors of the gift prizes as they were very generous. Thrivent’s assistance was helpful in obtaining the food for the meal along with their volunteer servers making sure everyone had eaten their fill!

The benefit of the party was a glass need for purchasing replacement windows and to update the windows R Value for heating and cooling the Chickasaw Event Center.

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Call the FMC Landfill for more information about those dates and times and to schedule an appointment. If an appointment is not scheduled the waste will not be picked up. The Household Hazardous Waste site at the Landfill is open by appointment Monday through Friday and the Saturdays that the landfill is open.

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7:15 a.m.

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p.m.

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection,
and the life: he that believeth in me,
though he were dead, yet shall he live:
And whosoever liveth and believeth in me
shall never die. Believest thou this?

John 11:25-26

Preparing for Easter

God promises to hear the prayer of those who believe in Him

Holiday seasons are wonderful, but it's easy to get wrapped up in the busyness of preparations for activities and forget that our hearts and minds need preparation as well. Easter is the glorious celebration of Christ's resurrection!

If there is ever a time we want to focus our hearts and minds on all that Jesus has done for us, then Easter is the season to do so.

So here are five ways to prepare our hearts and minds for Easter

1. Begin to focus on Easter during the weeks before.

Allow extra time to think and reflect on the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus throughout the week. Perhaps your family practices certain traditions throughout Holy Week?

Some ideas might include having a special devotional time each day, reading Christian stories at bedtime about Easter like The Legend of the Three Trees, or reading chapter by chapter through the story of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection in one of your Bible Storybooks for kids.

2. Choose to keep a JOY journal the week of Easter.

Keeping a list of things and experiences for which we are thankful is a wonderful way to appreciate all Christ has done for us. Recognizing that every gift is from Him and because of Him prepares our hearts to embrace the joy He provides!

3. Center meal discussions on why Easter is important.

Mealtime is a wonderful time to have focused family discussions. Do you kids ask questions like these?

Why did Jesus have to die?

Did Jesus know ahead of time that he was going to die?

If Jesus is God's son, why didn't he save himself from being killed?

What happened to Jesus' body?

What is so significant about Jesus rising from the dead?

What was the ascension of Christ?

These are actual questions from curious kids that are collected in the book If I Could Ask God Anything by Kathryn Slattery. You can read through these questions and answers at meal times or over breakfast when starting your day — they are great conversation starters for digging deeper into the story of Easter!

4. Keep an open heart toward the

Lord by confessing sin.

Have you talked to your kids about confession and asking God for forgiveness of their sins? Have you ever encouraged them to do this during hand-washing time?

Talk to them about the story of Pilate's involvement in the crucifixion of Jesus. When Pilate washed his hands, the washing signified his desire to be uninvolved in the crucifixion of Christ. You can teach your kids to use their regular hand-washing time as a time to praise God and ask for forgiveness of any of their sins.

5. Take time to notice and embrace the seasonal change of spring.

With the wonderful change in weather, children are noticing the warmer air, chirping birds, and many other gifts of nature in the springtime. Talk about the newness of life and all that God graciously gives. This wonderful resource, God Bless Our Easter, is the perfect book to remind preschoolers that each blessing comes from God. Little ones will love the animals pictured in this sweet book and notice the beautiful gift of new life.

— Rachel Wojo, faithgateway.com

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Don't be surprised by Social Security taxes

When you reach the appropriate age, it's easy to apply for Social Security retirement benefits – just go to Social Security's website, fill out the online form and you're essentially done. But many people overlook the next step – completing Form W-4V, which asks you how much federal income tax you want withheld from your benefits. And if you skip this step, you could face an unpleasant surprise when it's tax-filing time, because Social Security benefits can indeed add to your taxable income.

Here are the details:

- *If you're a single filer...* If your "combined" income is between \$25,000 and \$34,000, you may have to pay income tax on up to 50 percent of your Social Security benefits. ("Combined" income includes your adjusted gross income, non-taxable interest, and one-half of your annual Social Security benefits.) If your combined income is more than \$34,000, up to 85 percent of your benefits may be taxable.

- *If you're married and file jointly...* If you and your spouse have a combined income between \$32,000 and \$44,000, you may be taxed on up to 50 percent of your benefits. If your combined income is more than \$44,000, up to 85 percent of your benefits may be taxable.

These numbers might seem high, but they don't mean you'll lose 50 percent, or 85 percent, of your benefits – they are just the percentages of benefits you may be taxed on, at your personal income tax rate.

To help avoid a big tax bill or an underpayment penalty, you can file Form W-4V with the Social Security Administration and request to have 7, 10, 12 or 22 percent of your monthly benefit withheld. Your tax advisor can help you choose the withholding percentage that's appropriate for your situation.

The amount of taxes you may need to pay will also depend on when you start taking Social Security. The earlier you take benefits, the smaller your monthly checks, and the smaller the taxes. But taxes should not be a



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key issue in deciding when you need to begin collecting your payments. Rather, you should consider other factors, such as your anticipated life expectancy, your employment situation, your spending needs and the benefits for your spouse.

Here's something else to keep in mind: Because Social Security taxes are based on your overall income, as described above, the amount of money you withdraw during retirement, and where that money comes from, can also affect your tax situation. For example, withdrawals from a traditional IRA are taxable and will increase your adjusted gross income, but withdrawals from a Roth IRA will be tax-free, provided you've had your account at least five years and you're over 59 1/2, so this money won't enter into your taxable income calculations and it won't increase the tax you owe on your Social Security benefits. Similarly, withdrawals from health savings accounts (HSAs) used for qualified health expenses also won't count toward your taxable income.

By knowing exactly what to expect from Social Security, including the tax effects, you can more effectively incorporate your benefits into your overall retirement income planning – and the better your plans, the more you'll be able to enjoy your life as a retiree..

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

Edward Jones, Member SIPC

County attorney expresses frustration with tone of letter

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

members, along with Tim Zoll, voted in favor of the motion. Hackman and Chair Matthew Kuhn were the nay votes.

"I'm kind of wondering if they're waiting for a counteroffer," said Kuhn.

The county was given a nine-page inventory list and Hackman said there are six sheets missing from when the center first provided copies of that list well over eight years ago.

"That's going to become critical if they are actually terminating the lease," said Hackman. "We're missing some stuff."

Hackman said the facility is losing approximately \$165,000 annually and brought in a total income of \$1 million last year, but spent close to \$1.2 million.

There are several options the county could do with the property and building that is valued at over \$2 million and lists contents inside the structure at \$60,000.

One would be for the county to sell the property along with the building on the acreage south of town.

"Do we capital project this and remodel it for county use?" said Hackman.

Hackman wondered why the Department of Human Services can't help pay the rent for the facility.

"Why should the county of Chickasaw taxpayers subsidize this building," said Hackman. "Why can't that be an expense that the region pays?"

Chickasaw County Attorney David Laudner also seemed perplexed with the email sent last week from Inspiring Lives.

Supervisors OK contract with Nashua

By KELLY TERPSTRA
sports@nhtrib.com

The wait is finally over and a contract has been signed – at least a pending agreement by one half of both parties involved.

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors signed off on an amended law enforcement services contract with the city of Nashua at Monday's most recent meeting.

Now the only step for the proposed one-year contract to officially be ratified is if the town of 1,500 signs on the dotted line so the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Department can continue to patrol the streets of Nashua.

The current two-year contract runs out on June 30, 2022.

Nashua's response to enter into the proposed agreement would end months of somewhat tense negotiations between the city and county on what the best path forward was to provide patrol, investigation as well as auxiliary and technical services from the Sheriff's Department.

Nashua recently voted to raise the yearly rate of working hours to the original pro-

posed allotment of 2,880 or approximately 240 a month that the previous two-year contract stated.

That most recent decision was a direct deviation by Nashua city officials that voted last month to reduce that yearly total to 2,400 or 200 hours a month – depending on how the Sheriff's Office utilizes those hours.

"They're going back to where we started. They basically reversed course completely," said Board member Jacob Hackman.

Nashua bumped the hours back up after the county was going to raise the hourly rate that the department patrols the city to \$70 an hour – a significant increase from the proposed rate of \$59.50 in the initial rough draft.

Now the overall yearly cost will be \$171,360 for law enforcement services that the city of Nashua pays Chickasaw County should the city enter into the agreement.

The amended contract included this stipulation – that law enforcement personnel with the County be paid \$89.25 for any hours worked over what the contract states. That rate is essentially overtime pay of the \$59.50 amount – or time and a half.

Chickasaw County Sheriff Marty Hemann said his deputies only exceeded last year's 2,880 hours by 145 hours.

"That's a pretty good number," said Board member Tim Zoll.

Hemann has stated in a prior meeting regarding the contract that Nashua was not charged for hours that exceeded the agreed upon total per month or the yearly allotment in year's past.

"They don't get billed," Hemann said.

Zoll also wanted to make sure whether or not the 4.5 percent interest rate charged on a potential late payment by the city was staying the same or changing. Board members agreed to not change that rate.

"Nashua's been very punctual on making their payments," said Hemann.

The motion to go ahead with the amended contract was made by Hackman and seconded by Zoll. The board voted unanimously to accept the contract. Now all it takes is Nashua's signature to begin the new contract – which will start on July 1 of this year and run through June 30, 2023.

"In the past, we always let Nashua sign first. I don't care, either way," said Hackman.

Deadline for NEICAC scholarship nears

Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation has announced the availability of NEICAC Scholarships supported solely by employees and friends of Community Action.

The application and criteria for eligibility are available through the County Family Service Offices or the Administrative Office in Decorah (563-382-8436), online at <https://www.neicac.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/2022-Scholarship-Fillable.pdf>, or at high school guidance counselors' offices.

Applications must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 29, to be considered.

The scholarships are limited to assisting low-income individuals that live within the seven county area served by Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation, specifically the counties of Allamakee, Bremer, Chickasaw, Clayton, Fayette, Howard and Winneshiek.

The applicant's total household income must not exceed 200% of poverty (Federal Guidelines) and he/she must be a graduating senior or have a high school diploma or its GED equivalent.

Those students returning to school, having completed some of their chosen program, may also apply if their cumulative grade point average is at least 2.0 (a "C" average) on a 4.0 scale.



Photo courtesy of Suellen Kolbert

Rotary helps with school field trips

New Hampton Community Schools Superintendent Jay Jurrens puts his "Rotary Club hat" on and presents a check from the service club to New Hampton Elementary School Principal Emily Steele that will help the school district defray costs of field trips.

Briefs

Cedar Valley Hospice holds island-style spring fundraiser

Set your mind on island time and plan to attend Cedar Valley Hospice's spring fundraiser, Margarita Nights, Tikis, Tapas and Tequila for Cedar Valley Hospice, on Friday, April 22 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Cedar Falls.

Dress for a tropical evening of mixing and mingling while raising money to support those served by Cedar Valley Hospice. Beginning at 6 p.m., attendees can enjoy a tequila tasting, delicious tapas, island games and more while enjoying live music with band, Whole Yachta Love from Milwaukee, Wis. Also, don't miss the chance to bid on dozens of silent auction items from local, regional and national donors or win \$1,000 or more with multiple raffle prizes.

Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased online only at www.cvhospice.org/nights. To reserve a table of 8, please contact Suzanne Benda at 319.272.2002. Deadline to register is April 12. All silent auction items also available for mobile bidding using the easy Handbid APP platform for guests as well as the public.

For more information, please contact sbenda@cvhospice.org or call 319.272.2002.

New Horizons-Chamber to hold Ladies, It's Your Day April 9

Although shopping begins at 9 a.m., a breakfast special will be offered to kick off Ladies, It's Your Day on Saturday, April 9 in New Hampton.

After hitting the breakfast special at Klunders Kafe between 7 and 9 a.m., shoppers may stop at the New Horizons-Chamber office, 15 W. Main, for a goodie bag.

Register for prize drawings at participating businesses, a list of those stores may be picked up at the chamber office. There will also be shopping specials and in-store demonstrations.

Trinity Lutheran youth to hold drive-through chicken dinner April 24

The Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Group will hold a drive-through Mike Reicks Chicken Dinner on Sunday, April 24, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tickets are \$11 in advance and \$12 at the door, and tickets for children ages 10 and under will be sold for \$7. Tickets are available at the church office or from any Trinity Youth Group member.

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Forecast

Thursday: A chance of snow or rain, especially in the morning, with a high of 35 and a low of 23.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 44 and a low of 32.

Saturday: Chance of rain and snow with a high of 43 and a low of 29.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 48 and a low of 33.

Extended forecast: Partly cloudy to start the work week with highs near 50 and lows falling into the 30s.

Meetings

MONDAY

Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.

New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

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- In 1943, the musical “Oklahoma!” makes its debut on Broadway in New York City.
- In 1959, the Dalai Lama, fleeing the Chinese suppression of a national uprising in Tibet, crosses the border into India, where he is granted political asylum.
- In 1991, after 36 years in existence, the Warsaw Pact—the military alliance between the Soviet Union and its eastern European satellites—comes to an end.

Birthdays

- German composer Johann Sebastian Bach was born in 1685.
- The late Gordie Howe, who played pro hockey from 1946 to 1980, was born in 1928.
- Scottish actor Ewan McGregor turns 51.
- Former U.S. Vice President Al Gore and Rhea Perlman, who played Carla on TV’s “Cheers” turn 74.
- Film star Christopher Walken turns 79.
- Shirley Jones of TV’s “Partridge Family” turns 88.

Corrections

- The Tribune wants to make sure all information it presents is accurate and correct.

If you see an error, please call Editor Bob Fenske at 641-394-2111.

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Last chance to take private pesticide continuing instruction course

The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program will be offering a “Last Chance” Private Pesticide Applicator Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for private pesticide applicators on April 13, at the Chickasaw County Extension office in New Hampton.

The session will begin at 9 a.m. and will run for approximately two and a half hours. The registration fee is \$20. Pre-registration is required. To register or to obtain additional information about the course, contact Lynn Bruess at the Chickasaw County Extension office by phoning 641-394-2174.

The course will fulfill 2021-2022 recertification requirements for private pesticide applicators.

New Hampton schools to take its spring break April 15-18

New Hampton Community Schools and St. Joseph Community School students and teachers will once again take their spring break around the Easter holiday.

Students will be dismissed one hour early on Thursday, April 14 and not have classes on Friday, April 15, or Monday, April 18.

Easter this year falls on Sunday, April 17.

Mobile Food Bank to distribute April 21

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will return to Chickasaw County on Thursday, April 21, for its monthly distribution to “food-insecure” residents.

As usual, the distribution will take place between 4:30 and 6 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, and volunteers who would like to help should come to the church at 4 p.m.

Property Transfers

Wesley LTD to Shawn Reiff; COMM NW COR 31-97-14.

Ronald A. Bilharz, Janet L. Bilharz, atty in fact, and Janet L. Bilharz to Janet L. Bilharz; E177’ Ngo’ SMITHS ESTATES ADDITION Lot: 2.

Brittany Janssen and Anthony Ross to Deon R. Bolton; E1/2 NASHUA COLERS ADITION Lot: 2 Block: 2 E1/2 NASHUA COLERS ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 2.

Susan Selk, Susan E. Selk, Donald L. Selk, Richard Wahl, Richard N. Wahl and Valerie L. Wahl to Brady J. Kolbet and Andrea S. Kolbet ; S1/2 EX PARCEL E NE 35-95-13 Parcel: 19135175003.

Wendy Smethurst, Wendy Marshall, Jeffrey T. Smethurst. Will Wahl and Tina Wahl to Brady J. Kolbet and Andrea S. Kolbet; S1/2 EX PARCEL E NE 35-95-13 Parcel: 19135175003.

Five Star Cooperative to Anthofer Properties LLC; E62’ NASHUA ORIGINAL PLAT NASHUA Lot: 8 Block: 8 Parcel: 191318476066.

Scott Lynn Rathbone and Scott Lynn Rathbone to Joshua M. Buseman; L1 NE SE 33-96-12.

Cathy J. Skoda to Antonia B. Delgado and Ofelia Rodriguez Moreno; S61’ N125’ L9 W1/2 SW 07-95-12.

Jason Gearhart and Kayela L. Gearhart to Charles F. Stanton and Marla J. Stanton; PARCEL A NE NW 28-94-12 PARCEL 2020-19 NE NW 28-94-12.

Jay Alan Conner and Kimberly Kay Connor to Charles I. Edson; PARCEL 2021-55 IN PARCEL A SE SW 28-94-13.

David Schmidt, David M. Schmidt and Gayle E. Poncelet to David M. Schmidt and Gayle E. Poncelet; PARCEL 2018-43 IN PARCEL Z SW 10-95-12.

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Marjorie A. Arens to Ronald Leibold; W1/2 INCLUDING PARCEL G SW 05-95-11.

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CASE NO. ESPR003031
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Nick William Heckman, Deceased, who died on or about January 28, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on February 16, 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 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.

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IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CECELIA W. BASSLER, Deceased
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NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Cecelia W. Bassler, Deceased, who died on or about February 20, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on March 22, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Cecelia W. Bassler, deceased, bearing date of July 11, 1991, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that John L. Wood was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within 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 to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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 March 22, 2022
Date of second publication: 04/07/22
John L. Wood, Executor of the Estate, 1522 Audubon Drive, Waterloo, IA 50701
John C. Larsen ICIS#: AT0004541, Attorney for Executor, 415 Clay Street, P.O. Box 627, Cedar Falls, IA 50613

No. 21884
03/31/2022 04/07/2022

Karen J. Pratt, 81



Karen J. Pratt, age 81 of New Hampton, passed away on Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at Allen Hospital in Waterloo.

Visitation was held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at Conway-Markham Funeral Home with a 4 p.m. Scripture Service.

Burial will take place at a later date.

Online condolences may be left at www.conway-markham-fh.com. Memorials may be directed to Karen’s family for designations to be made at a later time.

Karen Jean was born August 29, 1940, the eldest child to Arthur and Mona (Evans) Ackley in Marble Rock. As a child, the Ackley family made their home in New Hampton where Karen was a 1959 graduate.

After completing her education, Karen worked at St. Joseph’s Hospital for two years.

Through friends, Karen was introduced to the love of her life, William “Jordy” Pratt. The couple were united in marriage on April 29, 1961 at First Baptist Church in New Hampton. Their marriage was full of excitement and travel as Jordy’s career moved them across the nation. Together, they welcomed their four children — Jennifer, Jeff, Will and Barb.

They returned to New Hampton upon Jordy’s retirement in 2003. Karen enjoyed vacationing with family, gardening, and golfing. She kept herself busy between vacations by crafting and working with her hands. Karen’s love for her family was expressed through her cooking and baking.

Karen’s memories will be cherished by her husband of 60 years, Jordy Pratt of New Hampton; her children, Jennifer (Steven) Tiddens of Antioch, Illinois, Jeff Pratt of Round Lake, Illinois, Will (Pam Ortinau) Pratt of Genoa City, Wisconsin, and Barb (Craig) Yates of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; her grandchildren, Michael, Taryn, Kristin, Kailey, Lauren, Kyle, Landon and Logan; her great-grandchildren, Gavin, Adisyn, McKenzie, Braelynn, Joy, Jayna, Everest and Braxton; sisters-in-law, Pat Ackley of Fredericksburg, and Judy Steere of Greene, brother-in-law, Ray (Sue) Pratt of San Antonio, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Mona Ackley, and her siblings, Harold Ackley and Pennie (Eldon) Rethamel.

William ‘Bill’ Rahlf, 53



William “Bill” Rahlf, age 53 of Fredericksburg, died Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022, at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo.

Funeral Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 5, 2022, at Peace United Church of Christ in Fredericksburg with the Rev. Scott Smith officiating.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, March 4, 2022, at Hugaback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Fredericksburg. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday.

William (Bill) Richard Rahlf was born on Aug. 10, 1968, in New Hampton. He was the son of Roger Rahlf and Lana Todd (Rahlf) Nelson. Bill grew up in the New Hampton area.

He graduated from New Hampton High School in 1986. He continued his education at Hawkeye Tech for ag business.

Bill worked for C.E. Stone with his boss and friend Chuck Stone for 34 years. His customers loved to chat with him and appreciated his expertise.

Bill met Leanne in 2000 and they got married on October 18, 2003. Bill took in Leanne’s son, Brock, with open arms and became a loving stepfather. Bill and Leanne then had three amazing children — Andrew, Nate and Emily — together whom he loved more than anything. He valued family above all else.

Bill loved to take the camper out on the weekends with family and sit outside by the fire to enjoy the outdoors. Bill always had a witty comeback to any remark and he was always smirking and joking with those around him.

Bill would have a movie night

News Bits From Our Past

Week of March 27 1947 (75 years ago)

- The Medical Associates four doctors, Dr. M.J. McGrane, Dr. Paul C. Richmond, Dr. E.C. O'Connor and Dr. J.E. Murtaugh have rented the entire second floor of the new A.L. Riley Company building located on the southwest corner of Main Street and Chestnut Avenue and expect to move on or before May 1.
- The entrance will be from the side door on Chestnut Avenue and a large, easy stairway to the second floor.
- Mr. L.J. Lillibridge, manager of the New Hampton Poultry Company, was elected President of the County “Chicken-of-Tomorrow” program at a meeting held at the Miller Hotel. The “Chicken-of-Tomorrow” Program which is organized on the county, district and state basis is to improve the quality of our Iowa poultry, particularly on the meat basis.
- Our Iowa poultry is a \$200,000,000 industry and Iowa leads every other state in the union from the standpoint of both egg and poultry meat production. However, something must be done on quality in order for Iowa to sell extra poultry meats to Eastern consumers, this is the main purpose of this program.

1972 (50 years ago)

- J.P. Rigler, 80, a prominent long-time Iowa banker and founder of the Security State Bank, New Hampton, died March 24, at the New Hampton hospital.
- Mr. Rigler had been a a resident of New Hampton since 1931 and been an active member of the community. In 1937, he organized the Security State Bank and was its first president. At the time of his death he was chairman of the board of Security. He was married to the former Ferne Barr on Sept. 3, 1919. Surviving are two sons, both prominent Iowa bankers, John B. Rigler, president of the Central State Bank of Muscatine and Robert R. Rigler, president of Security State Bank. Also surviving are three grandsons and three granddaughters and a brother, Dwight Rigler of Greenfield.
- Chickasaw County Cancer Crusade Chairman Stan Laures announced that Michael Carlin has been appointed New Hampton Residential Chairman for the 1972 Cancer Crusade.
- Carlin, who has been a junior high English teacher in the New Hampton Community schools for the last eight years, will head the residential drive for the Crusade which will be conducted in April.

2012 (10 years ago)

- New Hampton Community Schools welcomed its new superintendent on Thursday evening as the school board approved hiring Jay Jurens as the district’s new leader.
- Jurens is currently the 5-12 principal and technology coordinator at Emmetsburg Community Schools in northwest Iowa. The district has been searching for a new leader since November, when current Superintendent Stephen Nicholson announced he would retire

at the end of this school year.

Jurens will close out the 2016-17 school year in Emmetsburg and he will officially take over as New Hampton’s top administrator on July 1.

- Kensington Place Assisted Living is preparing to welcome new tenants to its expanding building. The New Hampton residence is nearing the end of its construction that will double the number of apartments from 17 to 34 and add several new amenities.
- Kensington Place Assisted Living, located at 504 Short Ave., shares its campus with New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and broke ground late last summer. Tenants can chose what level of services they need. Laundry, housekeeping, meals and medical assistance are available.

2017 (5 years ago)

- The awards keep rolling in for a pair of Turkey Valley basketball players after the 2016 17 season as both Shelby Reicks and Morgen Kuennen earned all-region and all-state honors. The two were selected for the honors after leading their team to a second-place finish in the Class 1A state tourney and a 23-2 record during the season.
- The two were picked for all-district honors by the Iowa Girls Coaches Association, and were picked all-region players by Iowa Basketball Coaches Association, in Region 3 of Class 1A.
- The Iowa Newspaper Association picked three honor teams, Reicks made the 1A first team and Kuennen was a second team player. The IGCA also picked three all-state teams, with Reicks on the first team and Kuennen on the third team.
- It wasn’t a typical physical education day at New Hampton High School. The Iowa Army National Guard brought an inflatable obstacle course to the school.
- National Guard Sgt. Luke Scheer said bringing in special equipment like the obstacle course or the rock wall gives him a chance to not only tell the Guard’s story but reach those who have an interest in the military.

2021 (1 year ago)

- Sandy’s Sign Shop completed a special project. Sandy Boeding, who has owned the shop for the last twenty years and Elizabeth Holthaus, along with their husbands, recently finished “wrapping” a horse trailer that will be used by the United States Army 3rd Infantry Regiment, The Old Guard, that is assigned to U.S. Army North.
- Based at Fort Sam Houston, the unit is tasked with conducting memorials and funerals in southern Texas. “Our solemn duty is to tide the horses as art if the caisson in a military funeral procession to bring a fallen service member to their final resting place,” said Sgt. First Class (SFC) Timothy French, who serves as the Old Guard’s platoon sergeant. For the soldiers, SFC French said, there is a great sense of pride in providing this unique honor to veterans and their families.
- *News Bits From Our Past are compiled by the Tribune’s Terri Josephson*

Brown, Prichard touch on number of issues at forum

By JAMES GROB
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Iowa Sen. Waylon Brown (R-Osage) and Rep. Todd Prichard (D-Charles City) did a lot more listening than they did talking on Monday morning at a legislative update breakfast at Charles City’s NIACC Center.

The Floyd County Farm Bureau, the Butler County REC and the Charles City Area Chamber of Commerce hosted the event, and about 40 people attended. Although the two local legislators were questioned on a wide variety of issues, most of the time was spent discussing the plans to build carbon dioxide pipelines through Northeast Iowa.

“How many of you are directly impacted by this proposal?” Brown asked the crowd, and more than half of those attending raised their hands.

Three companies have said they will seek a state permit to build hazard-

ous liquid pipelines to carry captured carbon dioxide away for underground storage, and they will likely ask the Iowa Utilities Board to grant them the ability to use eminent domain to force easements with property owners who refuse to grant access voluntarily. Summit Carbon Solutions has already officially applied for a permit, with the right to use eminent domain.

Prichard said the Iowa House has passed a measure that would not allow any eminent domain hearing until next February. The Senate and governor would also need to approve it for it to take effect.

Many of those in attendance Monday were adamant that they didn’t think the private pipeline companies should be granted the authority to use eminent domain.

“Who benefits from this? No one locally,” said one Floyd County farmer. “If you follow the money, the money

isn’t staying here. The money is going elsewhere.”

Both Prichard and Brown said they were in agreement with those who were against granting the authority to use eminent domain.

“Building highways is one thing,” Prichard said. “A private company tearing up someone’s land and livelihood, that’s another.”

Prichard lives in what is now District 58, and did not file for reelection. No other person filed papers seeking the Democratic nomination for Iowa House District 58, either.

Brown, who is Senate Assistant Majority Leader, has filed for re-election. After the passage of the new redistricting maps and effective with elections in 2022, Senate District 30 will include Mitchell, Worth and Cerro Gordo counties, as well as part of Floyd County.

The legislators were also questioned

Monday about the possibility of passing a bottle bill, tax policy, possible changes to the local option sales tax, education funding and housing.

They were also questioned about the labor shortage in Iowa, and a new unemployment law that would cause unemployed Iowans to lose benefits 10 weeks sooner.

The legislation also would require workers to take lower-paying jobs sooner or risk losing their benefits. The bill is intended to help with Iowa’s labor shortage.

Brown said that another part of the problem, beyond unemployment, is a lack of adequate child care, as well as young people leaving the state to work elsewhere.

He said he’s had conversations with Gov. Reynolds regarding ways to improve and increase child care. He also said Iowa needs to do a better job of selling itself to the younger gener-

ation. “Iowa is the only state that hasn’t doubled its population since 1900,” Brown said. “It’s one of our biggest challenges.”

He said that the state needs to offer more amenities as well as do a better job of highlighting the positive.

“We don’t have the nightlife here, but what we do have is great water trails, bike trails, and the ability to get out and enjoy nature,” Brown said. “We’ve always been the best-kept secret, as far as I’m concerned, but we can no longer keep it a secret. I think the state of Iowa is a diamond in the rough, and we need to find ways to promote our state nationwide.”

While Prichard agreed with Brown’s suggestion that Iowa could do a better job of selling itself, he was very critical of the cut to unemployment benefits, calling it “a joke” and “an insult to all working Iowans.”

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FY 2020/2021 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -- Actual and Budget

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021

County Name: CHICKASAW COUNTY County Number:19

		General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Permanent	Actual Totals	Budgeted Totals	
Revenues & Other Financing Sources									
Taxes Levied on Property	1	3,855,904	2,259,074		503,191		6,618,169	6,618,169	1
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	2	739	225		103		1,067	0	2
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	3	241,779	118,125		32,018		391,922	308,350	3
Net Current Property Taxes	4	3,613,386	2,140,724		471,070		6,225,180	6,309,819	4
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	5	18,164	9,570		2,414		30,148	500	5
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	6	41,472					41,472	25,000	6
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	7	148,623	1,026,366	0	19,142	0	1,194,131	909,006	7
Intergovernmental	8	2,653,558	4,659,473	0	37,916	0	7,350,947	4,922,068	8
Licenses & Permits	9	21,812	16,245	0	0	0	38,057	7,600	9
Charges for Service	10	954,419	121,678	0	0	0	1,076,097	1,263,961	10
Use of Money & Property	11	75,076	2,041	15,514	400	0	93,031	40,810	11
Miscellaneous	12	258,457	41,908	0	0	0	300,365	110,750	12
Subtotal Revenues	13	7,784,967	8,018,005	15,514	530,942	0	16,349,428	13,589,514	13
Other Financing Sources:									
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	14	14,126	0	0	0	0	14,126	3,250,000	14
Operating Transfers In	15	200,000	1,688,863	0	0	0	1,888,863	1,888,863	15
Proceeds of Capital Asset Sales	16	7,028	0	0	0	0	7,028	0	16
Total Revenues & Other Sources	17	8,006,121	9,706,868	15,514	530,942	0	18,259,445	18,728,377	17
Expenditures & other Financing Uses									
Operating:									
Public Safety and Legal Services	18	2,198,327	211,220			0	2,409,547	2,609,201	18
Physical Health Social Services	19	1,403,710	0			0	1,403,710	1,580,812	19
Mental Health, ID & DD	20	0	359,452			0	359,452	360,150	20
County Environment and Education	21	418,853	210,669			0	629,522	707,779	21
Roads & Transportation	22	0	6,053,765			0	6,053,765	6,225,960	22
Government Services to Residents	23	445,902	0			0	445,902	529,363	23
Administration	24	1,568,147	0			0	1,568,147	1,857,302	24
Nonprogram Current	25	6,398	0			0	6,398	0	25
Debt Service	26	0	0		515,885	0	515,885	520,655	26
Capital Projects	27	0	139,029	3,199,673		0	3,338,702	5,483,778	27
Subtotal Expenditures	28	6,041,337	6,974,135	3,199,673	515,885	0	16,731,030	19,875,000	28
Other Financing Uses:									
Operating Transfers Out	29	205,000	1,683,863	0	0	0	1,888,863	1,888,863	29
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	31	6,246,337	8,657,998	3,199,673	515,885	0	18,619,893	21,763,863	31
Changes in fund balances									
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2020	33	2,796,240	3,381,908	4,614,173	11,302	0	10,803,623	8,314,625	33
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budget)	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Fund Balance - Restricted	36	1,289,641	4,430,778	1,430,014	26,359	0	7,176,792	5,194,725	36
Fund Balance - Committed	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
Fund Balance - Assigned	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Fund Balance - Unassigned	39	3,266,383	0	0	0	0	3,266,383	84,414	39
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2021	40	4,556,024	4,430,778	1,430,014	26,359	0	10,443,175	5,279,139	40

Additional details are available at:

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Notes to the financial statement, if any:
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CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MONDAY MARCH 21, 2022 7:00P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, March 21, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schwickerath at 7:02 p.m. Council members present were McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner and Humpal. Fisher was absent. Also in attendance were Zachary Nosbisch, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Bob Fenske, Megan Baltas, Rick Kramer, Tara Hackman, Amanda Webb with Hacker Nelson & Co, PC, Jason Speltz, Pat McDermott, Lynn Mathias, several NHHS students and City Attorney Todd Prichard.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Humpal; That the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

Moved by Daly, seconded by Boos; That the minutes of the regular council meeting of March 7, 2022, be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Denner; That the claims in the amount of \$107,972.97 be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

Amanda Webb, with Hacker Nelson & Co. PC presented the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year Audit. Moved by Boos, seconded by Denner; That the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year Audit for the City of New Hampton be approved and filed with the Iowa State Auditor’s office. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

BDCK & D, LLC request to subdivide property in the Two-Mile Zone of the City of New Hampton. PWD Mai shared the specifics of the development. They are planning on creating six single family residential lots. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on March 8, 2022 and is recommending approval.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Daly; That the requirement to have two readings for approval of the plat for the Boeding’s First Addition subdivision, be waived. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion Carried.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Boos; That Resolution NO.6504 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF BOEDING’S FIRST ADDITION, be approved. Ayes - McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner, Humpal. Nays-None. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

The Mayor announced that an amendment to the urban renewal plan for the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area had been prepared and that it was now necessary to set a date a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the urban renewal plan. Moved by Boos, seconded by Daly; That Resolution No. 6505 A RESOLUTION SETTING DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR APRIL

18, 2022 ON URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AMENDMENT, be approved. Ayes - McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner, Humpal. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

Moved by Boos for the adoption of the following Resolution No. 6506 entitled “Resolution Deleting Property from the Melrose East Urban Renewal Area,” and the motion was seconded by Council Member Daly. Following due consideration, the Mayor put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted: Ayes - McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner, Humpal. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

Council Member Denner introduced an ordinance entitled “Ordinance No. 887 An Ordinance Deleting Property From the Tax Increment Financing District for the Melrose East Urban Renewal Area of the City of New Hampton, Iowa, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa.” and seconded by Council Member Boos that the ordinance be given its first consideration and that it be adopted. The Mayor put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted: Ayes - McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner, Humpal. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher.

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried and declared that the ordinance had been given its initial consideration.

It was moved by Council Member Denner and seconded by Council Member Daly that the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended. The Mayor put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted: Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion Carried.

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried.

Moved by Council Member Boos and seconded by Council Member Daly that the ordinance entitled “Ordinance No. 887 An Ordinance Deleting Property From the Tax Increment Financing District for the Melrose East Urban Renewal Area of the City of New Hampton, Iowa, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa,” now be put upon its final consideration and adoption. The Mayor put the question on the final consideration and adoption of the ordinance and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted: Ayes - McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner, Humpal. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher.

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried and the Ordinance No. 887 duly adopted.

The Mayor announced that a plan had been prepared for a proposed project and that it was now necessary to set a date for

a public hearing on the designation of the South Lake Urban Renewal Area and on that plan and the project outlined therein. Accordingly, Council Member McDonald moved the adoption of the following Resolution No. 6507 entitled “Resolution Setting Date for a Public Hearing on April 18, 2022 on Designation of the South Lake Urban Renewal Area and on Urban Renewal Plan and Project,” and the motion was seconded by Council Member Denner. Following due consideration, the Mayor put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted: Ayes - McDonald, Boos, Daly, Denner, Humpal. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

At the March 7, 2022 meeting, the Council decided to table the discussion of the possible contribution of City funds toward Phase 3 of the TRIBE Trail. Moved by Daly, seconded by Humpal; That RESOLUTION NO. 6508 RESOLUTION SETTING DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 18, 2022 TO ISSUE DEBT, be approved. Ayes – Three. Nays – Boos, Denner. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

City Attorney Todd Prichard informed the council that he has not received a response from the property owner, Carpe Diem, LLC, regarding the concern the City of New Hampton has for the property owned at 13/15 West Main Street, New Hampton. The north outside wall is in danger of collapse and is a safety hazard for adjoining property owners, employees and residents who use the alley. Jason Speltz from the New Horizons - Chamber will assist and get quotes to make the necessary repairs for safety purposes. If the city approved the repairs, all expenses will be considered a lien on the property and will be placed on their property tax and collected the same. Moved by Boos, seconded by Denner; To solicit bids for the necessary repairs to the building at 13/15 West Main Street and to temporarily barricade the alley closed to avoid additional damages upon possible collapse. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Due to rising fuel/diesel prices, Jendro Sanitation is requesting to implement a temporary fuel adjustment on their monthly billing. According to our existing contract with Jendro, with any change of fees, the Council can request to review the contractor’s financial reports. Councilmember Boos will contact Jendro Sanitation to discuss options to try and negate fuel prices. Moved by Denner, seconded by McDonald; To table the issue of Jendro Sanitation’s temporary fuel adjustment request and revisit the request at the April 4, 2022 city council meeting. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion Carried.

Police Chief Nosbisch is recommending to the City Council that the parking spot located on the west side of Bigelow Ave, approximately 46’ south of

East Main Street ROW be changed to a 'no parking' area. He has received complaints that the vehicle parked in that spot creates a visual hazard for the vehicles coming out of the parking lot and traffic on Bigelow. Moved by McDonald, seconded by Boos; That the parking space located on the west side of Bigelow Ave, approximately 46’ south of the East Main Street ROW be changed to a 'no parking' space, be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.	GENERAL	\$35,475.20
	\$79,370.44
ROAD USE TAX		\$38,643.15
SPECIAL REV/EMPLOYEE BEN		\$2,837.18
TIF- INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL		\$194.29
.....		\$0.00
TIF COMM PROJECT		\$0.00
HOUSING REHAB. GRANT		\$0.00
SPECIAL REVENUE- GRANTS		\$51.00
DEBT SERVICE		\$838.12
LIBRARY SPECIAL PROJECTS		\$128.65
COMM CENTER RENOVATION		\$0.00
ROADS CAPITAL PROJECTS		\$7,834.72
STORMWATER CAPITAL PROJECTS		\$4,357.67
CAPITAL PROJECTS		\$15,084.96
WATER UTILITY		\$16,171.75
SEWER UTILITY		\$35,828.48
WASTEWATER PROJECT		\$0.00
SOLID WASTE		\$11,194.76
CAPITAL PROJECTS-WATER		\$3,921.88
CAPITAL PROJECTS-SEWER		\$3,931.82
CUSTOMER DEPOSITS		\$936.00
TRUST & AGENCY		\$1,237.00
TOTAL		\$177,470.63
		\$244,915.68

Moved by Denner, seconded by Daly ;That the February 2022 Finance Reports be approved and placed on file. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

Moved by Daly, seconded by

Humpal; That the following minutes and correspondence be accepted and place on file. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

Department Head Minutes of March 8, 2022 New Hampton Fire Department Minutes March 7, 2022 Finance Committee Minutes of March 7, 2022 Planning and Zoning Minutes of March 8, 2022 Airport Commission Minutes of March 14, 2022

Mayor Schwickerath informed the council that he participated in the interview session with SafeTech Solutions regarding the Feasibility Study for the Chickasaw County ambulance issue.

Moved by Denner, seconded by McDonald; that the meeting adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

ATTEST: ROBERT SCHWICKERATH, Mayor, KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk

State of Iowa Sales Tax 2/16- 2/28	561.90
State of Iowa Sales Tax 3/1- 3/15	2,205.30
USPS Postage for Utility Bills.....	114.01
Kwik Star Gas (Police Street) Diesel (Street).....	1,255.45
USPS Postage for Utility Bills	135.30
TOTAL WRITTEN	4,271.96
CITY - TO BE WRITTEN--	
Axon EnterpriseTaser Sim Suit (Police)	854.08
Black Hills EnergyNatural Gas (PD WA Clerk Custodial St Fire SR)	7,509.64
Capital Sanitary Supply	12.50
CarQuest Headlight (Police) 22 Ton Stand, Hose, Hose Clamps (St).....	336.04
Fox StrandFebruary Engineering (SR) WWTP Facility Plan	3,189.50
Hawkins Chlorine (Water)	1,464.00
Heying, JerryReimburse for CEU Class (Water)	25.00
LeisureTime Golf CarsShipping (Water Street)	28.33
Mary & Zips RepairGenerator Repairs (Fire)	98.50
Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating Jet Sewer Plant, Thaw Pipe (Sewer) Thaw Hydrant (Water)	1,105.00
MiEnergy ... Electric Service (Sewer)	66.16
New Hampton ElectricService Call on Pump (Sewer)	50.00
NHMu Internet Service (SR)	18.75
New Hampton, City ofUtilities (Clerk PD St Fire Carnegie WA SR)	15,448.37
Nickle Ink Upholstery.....Cover on Truck, Change Clips, Ladder Truck Fire Wall (Fire)	1,203.28
Phillips Plumbing & Heating LLCService Call Replace Valves (Police).....	102.80
Phillips RefrigerationInstall Heat Lead (Police)	100.00

Sandry Fire SupplyQuick Connect, Helmet Front (Fire).....	172.50
Short Elliott Hendrickson Tribe Trail Phase III	618.49
State Hygienic LabTesting Fees (Water)	54.00
T and K Tractor Repair..Replace Air Dryer, Truck Inspection (Fire)	316.09
US CellularCell Phone & Data Charges (Street SR Fire PW)	363.56
USA Blue Book	Flasks (Sewer).....
.....	685.22
VisaMunicipal Class- Daly AED Pads, Charge Pak (ComCtr)	178.00
VisaConference, Computer, Scanner, Cameras, Hard Drive (PD).....	2,325.94
VisaPhone Case, Charger, Gloves, Earplugs (St) Schooling (SR)	469.11
Visu-Sewer, IncCleaning Sanitary Sewers (Sewer)	67,519.67
WindstreamPhone & Internet Service (WA SR)	386.48
Total	104,701.01
Plus City Written.....	4,271.96
TOTAL TO BE APPROVED	108,972.97
PAYROLL -WRITTEN SINCE MARCH 7, 2022	
EFTPS FICA & Federal Tax.....	9,714.04
Employee Benefit Systems Administration Fees	288.00
Empower Retirement Deferred Comp.....	325.00
New Hampton, City of..Self Funding Health Insurance Fees	8,833.38
Wellmark Blue CrossHealth Insurance	27,567.18
.....	46,727.60
AIRPORT -TO BE WRITTEN	
MiEnergy Electric Service	203.48
PARK & REC -TO BE WRITTEN	
New Hampton, City of	Utilities.....
.....	480.05
VisaSupplies, Idrive Fee, Wall Street Journal Subscription.....	290.

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Application and job description can be picked up in the Chickasaw County Engineer's Office (8 E. Prospect St., New Hampton, IA 50659 (County Courthouse, 2nd Floor). Application deadline May 2, 2022.

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RONNIE L. CAREY, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR003040 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Ronnie L. Carey, Deceased, who died on or about December 16, 2021: You are hereby notified that on March 17, 2022, Dominick Carey, Bryce Carey and Tyler Carey were appointed co-administrators 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, and unless so filed by the

later to occur four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated on March 18, 2022. Dominick Carey, Co-Administrator of the Estate, 2559 Exeter Avenue, Nashua, IA 50658 Bryce Carey, Co-Administrator of the Estate, 2559 Exeter Avenue, Nashua, IA 50658 Tyler Carey, Co-Administrator of the Estate, 2559 Exeter Avenue, Nashua, IA 50658 William P Baresel, ICIS#: AT0010681, Attorney for the Administrator, Walk, Prichard, Baresel & Murphy, PC, 103 North Main St PO Box 454, Charles City, IA 50616 Date of second publication: 03/31/22 No. 21873 03/24/22 03/31/22

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARION L. STONE, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR003041 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Marion L. Stone, Deceased, who died on or about February 17, 2022: You are hereby notified that on March 22, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Marion L. Stone, deceased, bearing date of September 29, 1995, and Codicil to the Last Will and Testament of Marion L. Stone, bearing date of January 3, 2006 was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Kimberly Faythe Brocka a/k/a Faythe Stone-Brocka and Leslie M. Hansen were appointed Co-Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within 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 to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are

reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred. Notice is further 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 March 22, 2022. Kimberly Faythe Brocka a/k/a Faythe Stone-Brocka, 2464 Joplin Ave, Denver, IA 50622, Co-Executor of Estate Leslie M. Hansen, 2424 Hwy 24, New Hampton, IA 50659, Co-Executor of Estate Nathan D. Miller, ICIS PIN No: AT0012746, Attorney for Executors, Beecher, Field, Walker, Morris, Hoffman & Johnson, P.C., 620 Lafayette St., Suite 300, Waterloo, IA 50704 Date of second publication: 04/07/22 No. 21885 03/31/22 04/07/22

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TERESA M. LENSING, Deceased. Probate No. ESPR003037 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons interested in the Estate of Teresa M. Lensing, Deceased, who died on or about March 2, 2022. You are hereby notified that on the 9th day of March, 2022, the last will and testament of Teresa M. Lensing deceased, bearing the date of the 18th day of October, 2007, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Anthony Lensing was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred. Notice is further 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 district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from 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 this 16th day of March, 2022. Anthony Lensing, 261 Hampstead Ave., Castle Rock, CO 80104, Executor of estate. Christopher F. O'Donohoe, ELWOOD, O'DONOHUE, BRAUN & WHITE, LLP, Attorney for executor, 101 North Locust Avenue, P.O. Box 310, New Hampton, Iowa 50659, ICIS Pin #: AT0005848 Date of second publication: 04/07/22 No. 21865 03/31/22 04/07/22

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RESOLUTION NO. 03-28-22-22 RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AN ESSENTIAL COUNTY SERVICE A resolution by Chickasaw County declaring emergency medical services an essential county service and offering for voter approval the authorization to impose an ad valorem property tax on all taxable property to fund an emergency medical services trust fund pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 422D WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 422D.1 authorizes the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors to declare emergency medical services an essential county service and, as a result, offer for voter approval the authorization to impose an ad valorem property tax not to exceed seventy-five cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value on all taxable property within Chickasaw County with revenues from said tax used to fund the essential county service; and WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors desires to establish a county emergency medical services system advisory council in accordance with Iowa Code Section 422D.1(2) that will coordinate efforts with the local emergency medical services agencies to assist in researching and assessing the service needs of Chickasaw County and also recommend to the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors an amount of funding to be specified on the ballot; and WHEREAS, revenues from the ad valorem property tax shall be deposited into an emergency medical services trust fund pursuant to Iowa Code Section 422D.1(4), and used only for those emergency medical services costs directly related to the essential county service as listed within Iowa Code Section 422D.6; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Iowa Code Section 422D.1, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors declares that in order to maintain the health and welfare of the citizens of Chickasaw County, emergency medical services are an essential county service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Iowa Code Section 422D.1(2)(a), the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors will consider and vote upon final approval of this Resolution on Monday, June 6, 2022, at the regular business meeting that takes place in the boardroom on the second floor of the Chickasaw County Courthouse and that begins at 9:00 a.m.; the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors also will consider and vote upon final approval of this Resolution at regular business meetings that occur at the same place and time on both Monday, June 13, 2022, and Monday, June 20, 2022; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the third and final approval of this Resolution by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors at the regular business meeting on Monday, June 20, 2022, a Chickasaw County Emergency Medical Services System Advisory Council will be established, and said organization will be directed to recommend to the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors no later than August 2, 2022, the amount needed to fund the essential county service pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 422D.1(2)(b) and (c); and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that after receiving the recommendation from the Chickasaw County Emergency Medical Services System Advisory Council, in accordance with Iowa Code Sections 422D.5 and 422D.1(5), the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors then will prepare the Question for voter approval, which will state publicly the reason for imposing the tax, the amount needed to fund the essential county service, and the proposed ad valorem property tax rate—that shall not exceed seventy-five cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value, be set so as to raise only the amount needed to fund the essential county service, and be for a maximum period of fifteen years; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that after the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors prepares the Question for voter approval, the Chickasaw County Auditor then will be directed to publish notice of the same in the official newspaper of

record on or before September 8, 2022, and also place the Question for voter approval on the ballot for the November 8, 2022, general election pursuant to Iowa Code Section 422D.1(3); and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if sixty percent of those voting on the Question for voter approval vote in favor of the Question, the ad valorem property tax then will be imposed for property taxes due and payable in fiscal years beginning after the fiscal year in which the election was held in accordance with Iowa Code Section 422D.1(3); and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the Question for voter approval is approved, revenues from the ad valorem property tax will be deposited into an emergency medical services trust fund pursuant to Iowa Code Section 422D.1(4), and used exclusively for those emergency medical services costs directly related to the essential county service as listed within Iowa Code Section 422D.6; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event the Question for voter approval fails at the November 8, 2022, general election, then this Resolution shall be deemed void pursuant to Iowa Code Section 422D.1(2)(d); and FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors directs the Chickasaw County Auditor to publish notice of this Resolution in the official newspaper of record on March 31, 2022. HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 28th Day of March, 2022. Matthew Kuhn, Chair Tim Zoll, Vice Chair Jason Byrne Jacob Hackman Steven Breitbach Attest: Stephanie Mashek, Auditor.

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03/31/2022 NH	04/01/2022 NR
Midwest Group Benefits, Inc.	396.00
Black Hills Energy	24,965.14
NAAE, Inc.	3,732.92
BlueAlly Technology Solutions, LLC	22,590.00
New Hampton Electric	546.07
C. H. McGuiness Company	2,459.01
New Hampton Tribune	175.36
Carolina Biological Supply	389.88
NHMU Fiber	300.00
CARQUEST OF NEW HAMPTON	152.43
Northeast Iowa Choral Directors Assoc.	133.00
Cedar Rapids Community Schools	4,760.91
Northeast Iowa Community College	7,486.00
Business and	37.50
Chickasaw Chassis	1,887.15
Office World	1,336.28
City Laundering Co.	258.08
Oriental Trading Company Brands, INC.	11,573.57
Paper Corporation, The	1,017.02
Counseling & Family Centered Services, Inc.	5,760.00
Pitney Bowes Inc	240.00
CRICUT.COM	571.98
Pitney Bowes Reserve Account	5,000.00
Crystal Ball Roller Rink	488.00
Poor Richards	691.00
Decorah Community School District	4,726.00
Principal Life Insurance Company	810.11
Delphi Glass	86.85
Pub at the Pinicon, The	1,456.00
Dollar General Charged Sales	48.00
Rausch Repairs	30.25
Fareway	1,255.47
Riddell/All American Sports Corp	1,568.95
Five Star Cooperative	4,957.62
Sam's Club	29.26
Flinn Scientific Inc.	470.00
School Specialty, LLC	397.33
Fritcher, Katie	1,184.04
Schuetz Ace Hardware	259.52
Geerts Plumbing & Heating	81.00
Screen Print To Go	117.97
Good, Michelle	64.00
Shiffler Equipment Sales	142.00
Gopher Sports	399.28
Steege, Jamie	161.13
Grainger	208.42
Steve Smith Snow Removal	2,550.00
Haasco Ltd.	1,434.00
Sumner-Fredericksburg Community	
School District	9,279.45
Hanson Tire Service	1,427.50
Superior Lumber, Inc.	57.60
Howard Winneshiek Comm School	1,903.20
Swisher & Cohrt, P.L.C.	74.00
Huber's	46.98
Teachers Pay Teachers (Teacher Synergy LLC)	20.00
Iowa Assoc. of School Boards	115.00
thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation	169.38
Iowa Communications Network	54.35
Timberline Billing Service LLC	335.24
Iowa Department of Human Services	1,936.21
University of Northern Iowa	420.00
Iowa Division of Labor	320.00
Vern Laues Chev-Buick	130.74
Iowa HS Music Association	26.00
Visa	399.08
Iowa Testing Program	2,636.00
Wagoner Bros. Repair	4,669.24
ISFIS, Inc.	275.00
Walmart.com	63.66
J.W. Pepper & Son Inc.	105.00
Washington National Ins. Co.	1,215.11
Jendro Sanitation Services Inc	802.20
Weber Paper Company - Division of Capital Sanitary	1,192.70
Key Carwash, Inc.	250.00
WEX BANK	478.24
Kwik Star	642.57
Windstream	2,000.25
L & R Manufacturing, LLC	143.52
YOUNGERMAN, KAREN	305.00
Lakeshore Learning Materials	159.85
Fund Total	\$ 176,828.14
Debt Service	(40)
Capital Projects	(33)
Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.	10,167.31
Pro-Vision Video System	4,621.68
Fund Total	1,471,849.00
Fund Total	\$ 4,621.68
Physical Plant & Equipment	(36)
Marco, Inc.	1,546.39
School Bus Sales	210,196.00
Wagoner Bros. Repair	3,389.15
Fund Total	\$ 211,742.39
Attest: March 21, 2022 Jay Matthews, Board President, Christy Roethler, Board Secretary	

No. 21903 03/31/2022

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Board Proceedings The Board of Directors for the New Hampton Community School District met in regular session, Monday, March 21, 2022, in the High School Media Center. President Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with Directors A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Denner and Superintendent Jurrens present. Board Secretary Roethler attended via zoom. Director Denner moved to approve the agenda. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Director Denner moved to open the public hearing on the New Hampton Community School District 2022-2023 School Budget. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Director Denner moved to close the public hearing. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Director Denner moved to approve the consent agenda items, minutes of the February 21, 2022, regular session. Approve the February monthly financial report and the March 2022 bill listing. Accept the resignations of Morgan Renfer (Elementary Special Education Teacher) effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. The approval of Tate Hofmeister as our Head Varsity Softball Coach and Conner Rochford as a JVV Baseball Coach pending him obtaining appropriate licensure. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented an update on the invitation from the Upper Iowa Conference and the NEIC Conference. Director N. Schwickerath made a motion to present a resolution to the NEIC regarding the future of Waverly Shell-Rock in the conference. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Director Denner moved to approve the transportation request for out of state transportation to Minnesota for the upcoming Spanish trip. Director Ayers

seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented information on the Support Staff Handbook Changes with items one and two listed going into effect right away and three and four to take effect at the beginning of the next school year. 1. When an individual works extra hours (that puts them over 40 for a week) and they have other paid leave that week (i.e. sick leave, holiday leave, personal leave, etc.) that individual will still earn overtime pay for the extra hours worked outside their normal hours. This will start immediately so we don't have to wait for the new contract year to start. 2. When a bus driver gives up his/her route to take an activity trip, that driver will still be paid for that route trip in addition to the activity trip wage. 3. The district would note in 9-month support staff employees contract the two built-in makeup days, so they are not penalized when those days are used. 4. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the district will give all support staff the option of receiving their pay over 9 months (the school year) or over 12 months. Director Denner moved to approve the handbook changes. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented the one-year contract agreement between the New Hampton Education Association Support Group. 1. The district proposes a total salary increase of 3% as follows: a. 50 cents per hour increase (\$57,042) b. \$35 added to the base of bus drivers (\$4,701) c. 25 cents per hour added to shift differential (35 cents) (\$1,755) d. When a custodian drives during his/her regular shift (does not earn overtime) he/she will receive a \$10 stipend for each trip. If he stays late or comes early that day and earns overtime, he/she will not earn the \$10 stipend. Director Denner moved to approve the agreement. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and

N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented information on health insurance costs. The district currently provides support staff with \$747 per month and the certified staff \$781.50 per month. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the district increase of \$20.00 per month to the amount that is currently paid. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented information on a retention payment to those individuals not included in the governor approved plan. Jurrens proposed that we include these other people as we've all been in this together. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the retention payment to the staff not covered by the governor's plan. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Director Denner moved to approve the Letterettes bake sale at the upcoming April 14th home track meet. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented information on the softball field press box renovations. Director Ayers moved to approve the district contribution of \$5,000 from SAVE funds to be put towards this project. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented information on the replacement of the nine remaining elementary classroom sinks and cabinets. We are looking at \$32,200 for the cabinets, \$7,875 for removal of old and installation of new, and \$11,370.13 for plumbing work. Director Denner moved to approve the nine remaining classrooms. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the iPad purchase for the upcoming 5th grades for next year along with the cases and carrying bags. The cost of iPads is \$26,460.00, cases are \$2,660.40 and the bags are \$4,725.00. Director Ayers seconded the motion.

Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens requests the board's approval to have a sale to get rid of excess item. Director Denner moved to approve the sale of excess items. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Superintendent Jurrens presented the 2022-2023 School Budget. The budget was published with a .45 cent pre-levy. The board needs to decide if we still do a surplus levy and if so, should it be .25 cents or .45 cents. Otherwise, Superintendent Jurrens recommends the board approve the budget as presented. Director A. Schwickerath motioned to do a .45 cent surplus levy. Motion failed. Director Denner motioned to do a .25 cent surplus levy. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath and Matthews. Nays: Ayers and N. Schwickerath. Motion carried. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the appointment of Director Ayers as the Chickasaw Wellness Complex Board Member. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Next regular meeting will be Monday, April 18, 2022, at 6:30 pm. Director N. Schwickerath moved to adjourn at 8:32 pm. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayres: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Matthews, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. AdaptiveMall194.90 Liberty Hardwoods, Inc.4,530.54 AFLAC90.27 Loken, Sue175.78 AG Vantage FS1,072.51 LS Supply & Rental229.26 Akademos, Inc.835.52 Madison National Life Insurance1,877.18 Amazon Capital Services5,203.24 MAKIT819.00 Apple Computer Inc.299.00 McGraw Hill School Education Holdings LLC436.69 Apple Inc.299.99 Mercy Medical Center4,590.00 ATC Group Services, LLC4,862.00 Mick Gage Plumbing208.39 Babcock, Kathryn66.30

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CHICKASAW CO CLAIMS - 03/14/2022 20/20 FX LLCSETUP POLLBOOKS FOR SPECIAL ELECTION356.25 ABILITY NETWORK INCBILLING SOFTWARE - FEB. 22482.90 AERUS ELECTROLUXVAC PARTS - GEN SERVS219.95 AG VANTAGE FS INC LP AV SHOP3.58 AHLERS & COONEY, P.C. PRFESIONAL SERVS RENDERED THRU FEB. 19, 221,900.00 ALTA VISTA, CITY OFUTILITIES AV SHOP71.35 ANDERSON LAW OFFICETEMPORARY ASSISTANT CHICK, CO. ATTY - FEB. 224,606.26 ARMEL, RAY ISAC 3/10-11/22 MEALS, MLG PARKING REIMB.198.72 BABCOCK, ANDREW M...S N O W REMOVAL CO CCSB & LEMC BLDGS260.00 BAILEY, HOLLYCLNT MLG REIMB FEB. 2211.77 BECKER, TODD MLG & WAGES-TRNG,POST AUDIT & SPECIAL ELECTION-03/01/2022171.42 BENNETT PHARMACY INC EPI NEEDED FOR IM CLINICS125.00 BLACK HILLS ENERGYNATURAL GAS FOR SHOPS3,374.29 BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT COMPANYPARTS # 53, FILTERS, LUBRICANTS, STOCK PARTS-SR, PARTS CO CRTHS426.12 BONNIE GAGEBOS SPEC ELECTION 3.1.22 WAGES/MLG27.14 BUTLER CO REC..ELECTRICITY AND INTERSECTION LIGHTING74.24 BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO.PHONE & INTERNET CO DEPTS1,194.90 CALHOUN-BURNS & ASSOC INC. OUTSIDE ENGINEERING BRIDGE 13903,160.10 CARQUEST OF NEW HAMPTON PARTS, HARDWARE AND EQUIP CONSUMABLES168.61 CHICKASAW AMBULANCE

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Chickasaw boys will have plenty of veterans on course

NH BOYS GOLF: FROM 12

and you have a group of returning letterwinners that is eager to make its mark.

Robinson and Josephson placed in the top 10 last year at the league meet and that makes them returning all-conference. Shawver was also all-conference with his 11th-place individual league finish. Kyler Glenn led the Chickasaws at the district meet with a round of 85.

That large freshman class last year had its ups and downs – but one can’t deny that this group has talent. It’s just a matter of getting consistent play out of the majority of them.

“Each one of them that started varsity last year had some good rounds,” said coach Glenn. “Sometimes one step back can

lead to two steps forward.”

Glenn said Josephson is a big hitter like Lane and can drive the ball off the tee well over 300 yards.

Other Chickasaws in the running for big seasons are sophomores Cael Laures, Carter Newbrough, Ty Shekleton, Karson Kolbet and Noah Jenkins. Adam Ewert and Tate Schwickerath are Glenn’s freshmen.

A key performer last year that won’t play this season but will still be a part of the team is sophomore Ben Gilbert. Glenn said Gilbert is dealing with a shoulder injury and will try to contribute to the team in various ways other than carding a score.

Glenn is excited to have assistant coach Bob Newbrough on

NEW HAMPTON BOYS GOLF SCHEDULE

April 5	at North Fayette Valley	4 p.m.
April 7	Charles City	4 p.m.
April 8	at Waverly-Shell Rock Invitational	1 p.m.
April 11	at Decorah	4 p.m.
April 12	at Clear Lake	4:30 p.m.
April 21	Crestwood	4 p.m.
April 22	at Jesup vs. Tripoli, Don Bosco and Jesup	4:15 p.m.
April 23	New Hampton Invitational	8:30 a.m.
April 26	Sumner-Fred and Turkey Valley	4 p.m.
April 28	at Waverly-Shell Rock	4 p.m.
May 5	Waukon	4 p.m.
May 11	Class 2A sectional at TBA	10 a.m.
May 13	NEIC at Charles City	10 a.m.
May 16	Class 2A district at TBA	10 a.m.
May 23-24	Class 2A state tournament at Ames	

board. Newbrough – Carter’s dad – should help pave the way for what should be a promising season for the Chickasaws.

“It was just perfect timing. He’s a retired teacher,” said Glenn. “He’s very, very knowledgeable about the game of golf and passionate about helping

others get better at the game of golf. I feel very fortunate to have him. He’s a great addition.”

New Hampton is scheduled to open the season on Tuesday, April 5 at the Pleasant Valley Sports Club in Clermont with North Fayette Valley hosting the meet.

New Hampton Running Club to hold annual 5k this Saturday

The sixth annual New Hampton Running Club 5K run/walk will be held this Saturday morning.

Registration will start at 7 a.m. in Mikkelson Park, and runners and walkers will take off from the park at 8 a.m.

Medals will be given to all runners who finish in the top three in their age group.

The entry for the run/walk is \$35, and online registration is available at www.GetMeRegistered.com/NewHamptonCC5K.

Participants will also be able to register for the race on Saturday morning, and runners and walkers are reminded to dress for the weather, which could be a tad cool as the forecast for Saturday morning calls for temperatures in the 30s.

Short game is always key for New Hampton girls golf team

NH GIRLS GOLF: FROM 12

expectations of what everybody is capable of shooting,” said Olson. “Ultimately, scoring well on a golf course comes down to short game – chipping and putting. You’ve got to keep your drive in play and then you gotta be able to chip and putt.”

Olson’s still got plenty of golfers that can do that – even after losing two-time all-stater Emma Ewert and all-NEIC players Lola Lemke and Carli Gebel to graduation.

Back this season are two returning all-staters – senior Sanja Noehl and junior Lydia Olson. They’ll be key leaders on a team that will look to claim its fifth-straight state tournament trip and seventh Northeast Iowa Conference crown in a row.

“Lydia and Sanja – they need to show the girls the ropes. They’re the veterans,” said Olson.

Noehl medaled and tied for 10th overall at last year’s state meet at American Legion Golf Course in Marshalltown. Olson tied for 23rd individually.

To add some icing on the cake and a cherry on top of the

sundae – New Hampton will have another Nuss girl on the squad again and like her older twin sisters – she’s good.

Lauren Nuss – younger sister of twins Allison and Morgan Nuss, who graduated in 2020 – could well be the key piece that could push NH over the top.

“We’re not rebuilding. Realistically, with Sanja, Lydia and Lauren – we’ve got three probably at least top 15, top 20 players in 2A,” said Olson. “Our foundation is solid.”

Olson said the remaining three varsity golfers that will fill out his top six remains to be seen.

“Whoever rises to the top – everybody’s got a shot,” said Olson. “Everybody’s gotta earn their way in.”

Chickasaw sophomore Kinsli Dahl got varsity experience last year and is a returning letter-winner. Olson has three other sophomores on his roster in Taryn Smith, Molly Wegner and Kira Tenge. Freshmen Brenna Flattum, Maycen Hackman and senior foreign-exchange student Isabella van de Kerkhof complete Olson’s roster.

Let’s have a great spring, Trojans!

Girls Track



Jalyssa Blazek



Ashlyn Busta



Delaney Busta



Clare Courtney



Olivia Drilling



Hailey Elsbernd



Aubrey Hoffert



Cambree Kruse



Brooklyn Kuennen



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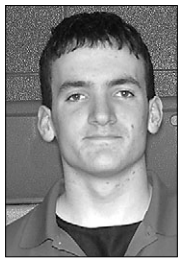
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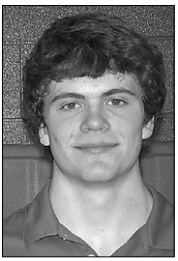
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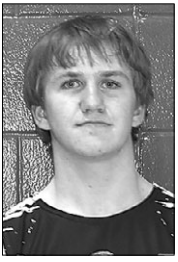
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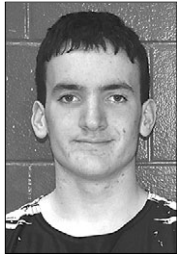
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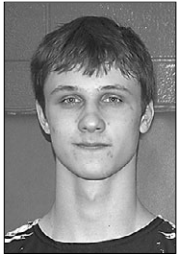
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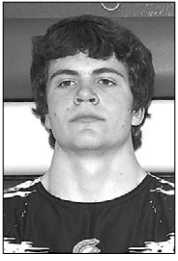
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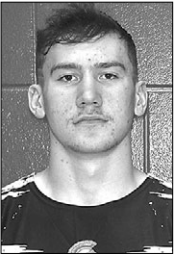
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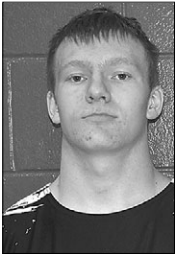
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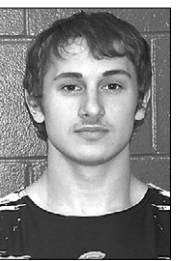
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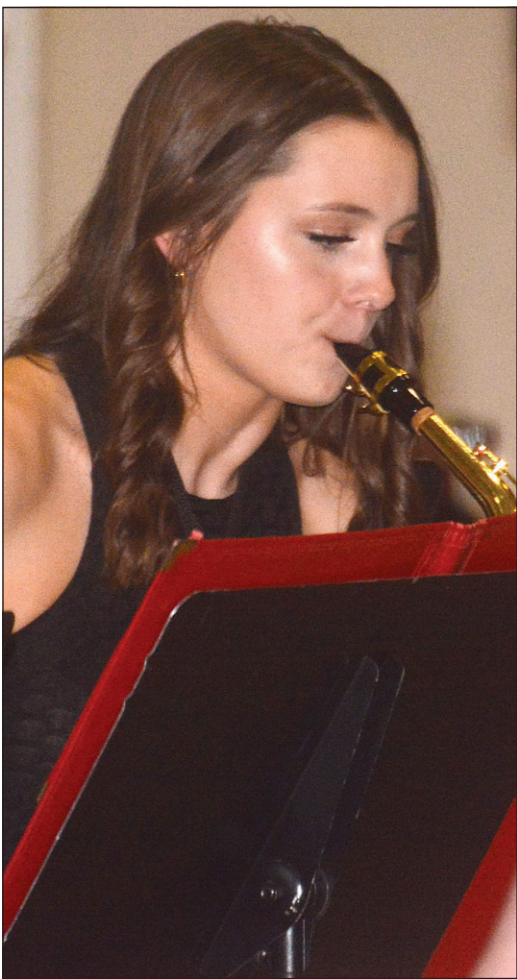
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New Hampton High School students Kaylee Baker (left) and Abigail Holschlag play with the Concert Band during the annual Parade of Bands that was held Monday evening in the new competition gymnasium.

Striking up the bands!



Brenna Thronsdon and Josi Singewald (left) play their alto saxophones with the 7-8 Band, Dawson Monteith (above) looks ready to go before the Fifth Grade Band starts the concert and Cory McBride (right), an Oelwein band instructor who served as the guest conductor and composer for the concert, leads the Sixth Grade Band.



Fifth-grade trumpet player Brooke Wickham (above) keeps her eye on Andrea Verburg (left), who is serving as a long-term sub at the middle school this spring, while Andi Gebel (right) plays the bass clarinet with the 7-8 Band.

*PARADE OF BANDS
PHOTOS BY BOB FENSKE*



Sixth-graders Wyatt Sabelka and Braelynn Cagley (left) play their saxophones, Aleigha Cahoy (above) plays trumpet with the Sixth Grade Band and Cassidy Jones (right) provides percussion for the Concert Band.





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New Hampton’s Sanja Noehl watches her putt head toward the hole during last year’s Class 2A state girls golf tournament that was held in Marshalltown.

NEIC TITLE, STATE TOURNAMENT REMAINS THE GOAL FOR CHICKASAW GIRLS

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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Aerosmith, Def Leppard or back-to-back tunes from the likes of one of London’s most famous and prolific bands – Led Zeppelin.

You can bet your lucky stars that you’re gonna hear one of those legendary rock ‘n’ roll groups if Eric Olson’s behind the wheel.

Packed into an accommodating SUV and on the way to a meet – Olson is in charge of the musical playlist.

There’s only one station emanating from the radio when Olson and his New Hampton Chickasaws hit the road – classic rock.

“I won’t let ‘em play the music they want. They listen to my music. They gotta learn to know what I like,” smiled Olson. “Or put in your ear buds.”

His talented linksters understand that and it may be just

NEW HAMPTON GIRLS GOLF SCHEDULE

April 8	at Charles City	4 p.m.
April 11	at Mason City vs. Clear Lake, MC	4 p.m.
April 12	at Denver	4 p.m.
April 14	Decorah	4 p.m.
April 18	at Crestwood	4 p.m.
April 22	at Jesup vs. Don Bosco, Tripoli	4:15 p.m.
April 23	New Hampton Invitational	8:30 a.m.
April 26	at Clear Lake Invitational	11 a.m.
April 28	Waverly-Shell Rock	3 p.m.
May 2	at Waukon	4 p.m.
May 5	Sumner-Fred and Waverl-SR	3 p.m.
May 9	NEIC at Wauon	7:30 a.m.
May 13	Class 2A first round regional at TBA	10 a.m.
May 18	Class 2A second round regional a TBA	10 a.m.
May 26-27	Class 2A state tournament at Cedar Falls	

be one of the reasons that his teams have been so good over the last seven seasons.

“Every meet we were in a Suburban together,” said Olson. “You’ve got eight people in a Suburban – packed with clubs – you’re pretty close.”

It’s that togetherness and

camaraderie – along with obvious talent – that have often made the Chickasaws one of the teams to beat in their class each and every season since Olson took over 12 years ago.

They’ll be at it again this spring and in search of state title No. 2 with a team that

is hungry to prove last year’s third-place state finish was no fluke.

“We should be in the mix. We’re a top five team – I think,” said Olson.

The bar’s been set that high at New Hampton since the Chickasaws cracked the state field for the first time in school history in 2015.

There was the first state championship achieved in 2019 – then the back-to-back state runner-up placements in 2017 and 2018. Then there was the COVID-19 season that ceased to exist after it was canceled. That prevented New Hampton from defending its state title and gunning for a repeat in 2020.

But the formula to remain at an elite level remains the same – consistency. That often doesn’t include how far you hit the dimpled ball off the tee.

“We need to manage our

SEE NH GIRLS GOLF, 10

Chickasaw boys may be young but they’re experienced

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Jack Shawver is one of nine sophomores on the New Hampton boys golf team’s roster.

Call them the notorious nine. Or how ‘bout the seismic sophomores.

Either way, it may take that group of 10th-graders and a senior to get the job done for Bill Glenn’s New Hampton boys golf team this spring.

The Chickasaws – guided by Glenn for the past 12 years – may also use the services of some talented freshmen as well to reel in top finishes this season out on the links.

“We have high hopes for this season to go farther than we did last year. I really think we’ve got the kids that can do that,” said Glenn.

New Hampton placed runner-up to state qualifier Waverly-Shell Rock at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet last year. While the Go-Hawks destroyed the league field – topping the Chickasaws by 41 strokes – New Hampton knows they can do better this go-round with a group that is a year older and hopefully a year better.

“I just think that we have six, seven, maybe eight guys that have a lot of passion for golf. They play a lot. They want to play. They want to practice,” said Glenn. “As coaches we don’t have to twist their arm. They’re wantin’ it.”

Glenn said his big sophomore class has mentally and physically matured from last year. They’ve also improved their golf game.

“Theoretically, we’re going to be stronger than last year in a lot of regards,” said Glenn. “We have a lot of experience.”

NH placed fifth at the Class 2A district meet and brings back a class of nine sophomores that will be integral to the Chickasaws’ success.

The Chickasaws graduated senior Alex Kriener – the lone senior on the squad in 2021.

NH senior Mason Lane came on strong in 2021 and sports the best returning nine-hole adjusted stroke average for the Chickasaws (46.88).

Glenn had this to say about Lane – who missed his sophomore season due to the 2020 season being cancelled because of COVID-19.

“He’s leading by example this year. He came out as a freshman three years ago and he’ll be the first to tell you he wasn’t very good,” said Glenn. “We really look for him to be our senior leader. We’re looking for big things out of him.”

Add sophs Ty Robinson, Kam Josephson, Jack Shawver and Kyler Glenn to the mix

SEE NH BOYS GOLF, 10

Trojans earn several blue ribbons at UIC

Turkey Valley snares six first-place finishes at Luther

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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While the weather outside has been unseasonably cool and windy – even for northeast Iowa’s standards – the track and field action was heating up indoors at Luther College in Decorah last Friday.

The Upper Iowa Conference held its indoor meet on the campus of the Norse last week and Turkey Valley came away with plenty of blue ribbons and top-notch performances.

This was the last indoor meet of the season for Dalton Hackman’s Trojan girls squad and Mark Scott’s TV boys team.

Turkey Valley was supposed to kick off the outdoor season on Tuesday at Sumner-Fredericksburg, but Mother Nature had other plans as that get together was postponed because of inclement weather.

But even before the Trojans get outside underneath a warm spring sun that shines down on the outside ovals in northern Iowa – TV managed to put on a show in several events at the league pow-wow.

TV senior Jalyssa Blazek sprinted to a win in the open 400 in 1:01.61. Blazek, bearer of the school-record time in the open 800 – won that event at the UIC indoor league meet with a time of 2:27.43.

Trojan junior Jacqlyn Schmitt also earned a blue ribbon in the shot put with a heave of 29-5.75.

The Trojan boys squad would not be outdone as they also earned three victories of their own in the 4x800, 4x400 and distance medley relays.

The foursome of Ryan Franzen, Dylan Reicks, Chase Hayek and Burke Busta raced to a first-place finish in the 4x800 in a winning time of 9:07.64.

The contingent of Busta, Marcus Herold, Reicks and Noah Hanson also shot to the front and crossed the finish line first in the 4x400 in 3:51.5.

The distance medley of Carson Busta, Herold, Reicks and Hanson also claimed gold with a victorious effort of 4:03.94.

Kara Reicks led off the 4x200 relay that finished second in 1:58.18. She was followed by Blazek, Olivia Snyder and Kourtney Schmitt.

Josie Weber ran the opening leg on the second-place distance medley team (4:41.14) and handed the baton off to Snyder. Schmitt and Blazek finished the race.

Weber, Trojan senior Cambree Kruse, Halle Weber and Olivia Drilling also placed runner-up in the 4x800 in a time of 12:21.34.

Snyder – who qualified for the 100 dash at state last year as a sophomore – placed fourth in the 55-meter dash in 7.85.

TV’s 4x200 relay of Burke Busta, Herold, Hanson and Troy Schmitt competed to a second-place showing in the 1:42.16.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE INDOOR MEET
TURKEY VALLEY GIRLS RESULTS
55 - 4. Olivia Snyder 7.85.
200 - 5. Clare Courtney 30.15, 7. Hailey Elsbernd 31.28.
400 - 1. Jalyssa Blazek 1:01.61, 12. Aubrey Hoffer 1:21.8.
800 - 1. Blazek 2:27.43.
1,500 - 5. Cambree Kruse 6:29.22.
4x200 - 2. Kara Reicks, Blazek, Olivia Snyder, Kourtney Schmitt 1:58.18.
4x400 - 5. Reicks, Kruse, Halle Weber, Josie Weber 5:03.63.
4x800 - 2. J. Weber, Kruse, H. Weber, Olivia Drilling 12:21.34.
Distance medley - 2. J. Weber, Snyder, Schmitt, Blazek 4:41.14.
Long jump - 3. J. Weber 13-7.25, 6. Breanna Moudry 13-2.5, 8. Hoffer 11-4.
Shot put - 1. Jacqlyn Schmitt 29-5.75, 10. Autumn Macklenburg 21-11.5.

TURKEY VALLEY BOYS RESULTS
55 - 14. Troy Schmitt 7.28, 15. Hulbert 8.18.
55 hurdles - 11. Oliver Schmitt 10.06.
200 - 4. Chase Hayek 25.14, 14. Treyton Hulbert 30.03.
400 - 5. Calvin Bodensteiner 59.87, 6. Garrett Dietzenbach 1:00.68.
800 - 4. Hayek 2:26.9.
1,600 - 4. Ryan Franzen 5:46.14.
Shot put - 5. Marcus Herold 42-2.5, 13. T. Schmitt 32.25.
Long jump - 5. Carson Busta 16-2.5.
High Jump - 3. Franzen 5, 3. Hayek 5.
4x800 - 1. Franzen, Dylan Reicks, Hayek, Burke Busta 9:07.64.
Distance medley - 1. C. Busta, Herold, Reicks, Noah Hanson 4:03.94.
4x200 - 2. B. Busta, Herold, Hanson, T. Schmitt 1:42.16.
Shuttle hurdle - 6. C. Busta, O. Schmitt, Bodensteiner, Dietzenbach 32.84.
4x400 A - 1. B. Busta, Herold, Reicks, Hanson 3:51.50.
4x400 B - 10. Dietzenbach, O. Schmitt, Bodensteiner, C. Busta 4:17.01.



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Turkey Valley sophomore Russell Nieman (left) and Trojan junior Chase Hayek battle it out in a scrimmage at New Hampton earlier this month.

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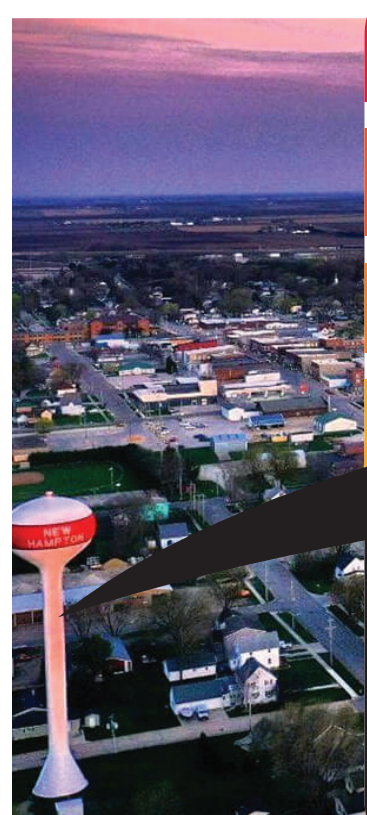
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Perfection at Bowlaway Lanes!

Representatives from four New Hampton banks — First Citizens Bank, Bank Iowa, Luana Savings Bank and Fidelity Bank and Trust — pose for a photo with Jason Lechtenberg, who rolled 12 straight strikes to finish with a 300 game at the New Hampton bowling alley earlier this winter.



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Hundreds of area residents and visitors watch as the 2021 New Hampton Heartland Days Parade makes its way down South Water Avenue this past June.

When we come together, we can accomplish just about anything

A reporter — especially at a newspaper the size of the New Hampton Tribune or the Nashua Reporter — takes a lot of photos over the course of 12 months.

He or she lugs the camera (or at least the cell phone camera) to meetings, concerts, sporting events and town celebrations, and the reporter does so because of the adage that a picture is worth a 1,000 words.

Reporters takes those pictures for a variety of reasons, but one of the key reasons is that photos make the newspaper more appealing to its



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readers. Years ago, we had a group of Cub Scouts take a tour of the Tribune, and I remember showing them a copy of the Tribune in 1896. There wasn’t a single photo on the front page; in fact, there wasn’t a single photo in the entire edition of that newspaper.

The kids looked at me like I had shown them something from outer space, and one little boy couldn’t help but laugh.

“Oh boy, that’s a lot of reading.”

Yes, it was, but I digress.

For years, all I did in newspapers was write stories. Back in the 1980s when I started my journalism journey at a daily newspaper, we had reporters and we had photographers and rarely did we mix. Writers wrote; photographers snapped pictures.

But the lines have blurred — a lot, I might add — in the past 37 years, and now, save for the big newspapers in the world, reporters are expected to write stories, take photos, paginate pages ... basically be jacks of all trades.

In 2004, I left daily newspapering in the rear-view mirror and accepted a position as the editor of the Forest City Summit, and I vividly recall telling the Summit publisher — Dave Stanley, who would eventually come to own the Tribune and Reporter and recruit me to Northeast Iowa — that the only thing I was really nervous about was taking my own photos.

“Well, we’re not going to hire a photographer just for you,” Dave said with a laugh, “and, trust me, you’ll get the hang of it, you’ll do fine.”

Two modern inventions — digital cameras and auto focus — saved me.

Eighteen years later, I still “overshoot” — a lesson Dave Stanley taught me the first day I walked into the Summit office on Forest City’s Main Street.

“When you go to a game, when you go do a feature, when you go anywhere, take a lot of photos,” he said and then added with a wry smile, “because the more you take, the more chance you’ll have

that a few of them will turn out. The more photos you take, the better the odds are, right?”

I’m still a writer at heart, but I have come to love photography even though there have been a few people who have kindly — and not so kindly — told me they’d like to shove that camera ... well, you know where I’m going, right?

So what does this have to do with our annual “progress edition” that is in this week’s newspaper?

It’s simple, really. It’s the photo that appears above this column. It’s my favorite from the past 12 months since the last time we published a “progress edition.”

In 2021, we called it Persevering Through, and the theme of that edition was how we were dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. I looked back at the section earlier this month, and I know there were people at the time who may have wanted to puke about another round of stories in

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We have challenges to meet and hurdles to clear ... and we will

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which the damn coronavirus was prominently featured, but I was then and I am now proud of that section because it told some pretty cool stories about a community coming together. Earlier this year, though, my publisher, Christopher Hall, asked me what we should do for progress this year, and my answer was quick. “Anything but COVID.” Christopher laughed and we wholeheartedly agreed, and we came up with this idea of looking ahead, of celebrating the “Expanding Horizons” of our area. So in this section, we’re looking ahead way more than we’re looking back. It’s not all rosy, we know that. We have challenges to meet, hurdles to clear, yet as I look back on the past 12 months and see all we’ve done and accomplished, I can’t help but feel bullish that we will meet those challenges and that we will clear those hurdles.

And that brings me to the photo I snapped on Friday, June 11, 2021, on South Water Avenue in New Hampton. For me, that day, that weekend, told me that normalcy was returning. Hundreds of people filled New Hampton for the annual Heartland Days celebration. They had done the same the week before for Alta Vista Days and Dairy Days in Fredericksburg. They would again later in the month at Nashua’s Water Over the Dam Days, later in the summer for Ionia’s Fun Days and later in the year for holiday celebrations held throughout our area. But on that sunny Friday evening, as I snapped that photo, I realized something and it was this: We are all different, but we can come together to celebrate our hometowns. And if we can do that, we can tackle those challenges and we can jump over those hurdles. And we will.



Bob Fenske

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Bob Fenske

As a new “firewall” goes up in the fellowship hall at the First United Methodist Church in New Hampton, it tells the story of the area’s fight to tackle issues facing New Hampton and beyond in 2022.

TAKING ON CHALLENGES

COMMUNITIES TACKLE HOUSING, DAYCARE AND EMPLOYEE SHORTAGE ISSUES

By **BOB FENSKE**
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It’s a wall, a firewall to be exact, but it tells the story of how a community can come together to tackle the challenges it faces. The firewall being built in the First United Methodist Church in many ways represents the importance of community buy-in when it comes to the three major issues many cities — including New Hampton — are facing in the 2020s. And New Hampton Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson said the trio of challenges — housing, daycare and the shortage of qualified

employees, especially in the manufacturing set — are intertwined. “If you’re going to solve the employee shortage, you can’t do it without working on the other two,” she said during a recent interview. “To get employees, you need housing. Once you get employees and they’re living in your city, most of them are going to need daycare. They’re all connected, so we have to look at all three.” If there’s any consolation — and it’s a small one — it is this: New Hampton and Chickasaw County are not alone when it comes to the three issues.

“Daycare is an issue all over rural Iowa,” Robinson said, “and who would have ever imagined that we’d be commuting to get childcare? That’s reality now. ... And I can guarantee you we’re not the only community in the state struggling with how do we get affordable housing built.” As for the employee shortage? “That’s a nationwide issue,” Robinson said, “and all you have to do is turn on the news, but when it comes to our area, it’s painfully real. I don’t think we have a

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Community comes together for new daycare

CHALLENGES: FROM B3

manufacturer in New Hampton, in our whole area, who doesn't want to hire. Finding people, though, that's the challenge."

But maybe, just maybe, that firewall — part of an effort to bring a building up to code for a daycare center — being built in the fellowship hall at the Methodist Church is the beginning of the turnaround.

Making a run at daycare

New Hampton has one childcare center — Great Plays Daycare — and a host of in-home daycare options, but it hasn't been enough in recent years.

Scores of parents can tell you nightmarish stories about searching for care for the children while they're at work.

Great Plays, which is located on New Hampton's south side, is licensed to serve 54 children, and the number of children on its waiting list for the past few years has almost always



Developer Bill Croell (far left) and members of New Hampton's Industrial Development Corporation pose for a photo last summer on the site that they hope will bring 12 new homes to the city as part of the Croell 4th Addition.

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lack of a better word — "unexpandable," which led its board of directors to seek an Iowa Child Care Grant last summer after it reached an agreement with the First United Methodist Church to turn its educational wing into a daycare center.

Great Plays was turned down during the initial grant application, but area residents and business leaders put on a figurative full-court press, lobbying politicians to reopen the grant process.

They did, and in September, a grant for \$750,000 was awarded to New Hampton.

Work began on the project last fall and went into overdrive last month, and the hope is that the newly named Little Sprouts Center — with an eventual capacity of 97 children — will open by June 1.

It is, in the words of Great Plays board member Brian Carolan, a unique partnership.

"This is still a church, and I can't emphasize that enough," Carolan said earlier this month. "What the church has done for us, for our community can't be overstated, and it continues to be a great partnership."

"The church has worked with us at every turn, and we can't say enough how much we appreciate the members."

Robinson pointed out that the Great Plays/Little Sprouts project isn't the first time the Industrial Development Corporation has worked on the daycare issue in the city — pointing out that the IDC worked with St. Joseph's Community School to expand its before- and after-school Kidzone programs and create a summer program.

"We have people who are willing to step up and tackle this issue," she said, "and St. Joe's

definitely helped us take a major step when it came to childcare."

The housing issue

When Little Sprouts opens in a couple of months, it will make a sizable dent in the daycare shortage New Hampton has experienced in recent years, but officials are quick to point out that the opening of the new facility won't completely solve the problem.

"It's a huge step in the right direction," Robinson said, "but I guess I would also say in economic development, you learn relatively quickly that there is no quick fix, no answer that ever really completely solves the problem."

It's a world of fits, starts and stops, and nowhere is that more apparent than in housing.

"Everyone wants more housing," she said. "I want it, the industries want it, residents want it, the city wants it ... if it was as easy as snapping our fingers, we probably wouldn't be here talking today."

During a City Council meeting last fall, New Hampton Mayor Bobby Schwickerath spoke for many.

"If we could wave a magic wand and have 75 new houses, trust me, we would do that," he said, "but unfortunately, that magic wand doesn't exist."

So New Hampton and surrounding towns continue to celebrate small victories when it comes to building new homes — be them houses, townhouses, apartments, whatever.

"The idea is if you have six units of townhouses built," Robinson said, referring to a project the

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Like the electrical improvements, the telecommunications project was hurt last year by supply-chain issues, but Quirk said that hundreds of customers now get their internet, cable TV and land-line phone service through NHMU.

"We knew all along that we had to hang our hat on the internet. Our numbers are good, I'm not saying that, but they're not quite where I hoped they'd be at this point," he said, "but most of that is due to what's happened the last couple of years. I do know the feedback we're getting is really positive."

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While the pandemic created some challenges, it also showed the importance of being connected.

"We had people working from home, we had some college students who were at home because their schools were online only and let's face it, internet speed is everything to a lot of people," he said, "and the people we've signed up, they've appreciated that and the reliability of our service. ... That's what we promised, and I believe we're delivering that."



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Family finds labors of love in distillery, inn

Former law enforcement officer, pediatric healthcare worker enjoy more family time with Fredericksburg endeavor

By DOROTHY HUBER
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There's a lot of history at Woodland Farm Inn in Fredericksburg. Built in 1910 by the son of the town's founder, Frederick Padden, a lot of souls have lived in the inn the past 110 years. Who knows, the house may even have spirits.

If it doesn't, it will have. While the former Farm House B&B and Engelbrecht Winery doesn't have the grapes any more, it has plenty of corn spirits. Vodka, made from local corn.

CHAD AND DANIELLE Wendel both graduated from high school in 2000, Chad from Charles City and Danielle — the former Danielle Wendland — from Fredericksburg. While both went to college after graduation, Chad veered off on a different course and spent time in the army, doing two tours in Iraq. After his discharge he went into law enforcement and was an officer in Coralville for 14 years.

In both the Army and in Coralville, he attained the rank of sergeant, thus the name of the other business the couple is establishing, Sarge's Distillery.

Years ago, the two had a chance meeting when Chad was home on leave, then were set up by family members. They were married in 2008 and while Chad was an officer in Coralville, Danielle worked in pediatric healthcare at the University of Iowa.

But last year they made a major change.

"Chad wanted to get out of law enforcement, he wanted to spend more time with his family," said Danielle. That family includes 7-year old Maverick and Colt, who is 2. Because both were from the area and enjoyed it here, when a job for Danielle at UIHC child health specialty clinic opened up in Decorah and Oelwein, the couple decided on the change. The inn and distillery presented another opportunity for Chad and after some research, vodka was selected as a starting project.

"That's the most widely distributed," Chad said. "There's a bigger market, it's the easiest thing for people to mix... utilitarian I guess you could say. The stuff we have here is 100 percent corn, but you can make vodka from anything that has a starch to convert to sugar — potatoes, corn, rye, wheat."

The corn they use is grown to full maturity and is the same as the corn



ethanol is made from.

"Ours is 80 proof, so it's 40 percent alcohol, that's pretty typical of the vodka you'd find on the shelf. Eventually we want to branch out with some gin, rum, whiskey and bourbon."

One of those products will take patience, as bourbon has to age two years.

"One of our main goals is to source all our grains within 25-30 miles of the facility," Chad said. "Hopefully that will mean more to the community and give people pride in it."

Corn, of course, won't be an issue. "We've already touched base with a couple of farmers on other things. Rye is grown around here quite a bit as a cover crop so instead of farmers chopping it, they could let it mature. Barley

is more difficult to get around here, but again, I've talked to farmers."

THE WINEMAKING equipment that came with the purchase of the business could be used in the distillery. By the time the couple purchased the property, the vineyards were long gone, so was the inventory of wine.

"We wanted to make this business our own, and we kind of wanted to revert back to the beginning of the place," said Danielle. The original name of the farm was Woodland Farm Inn and the couple has the original sign. While they don't do a bed and breakfast anymore, the inn is for rent by the room or as an entire house, with six bedrooms and seven bathrooms.

"We have had a lot of girls' week-



Photos courtesy of Danielle Wendel

The Wendel family (left) — Chad, Danielle and their two children — 7-year-old Maverick and 2-year-old Colt — are the new owners of Sarge's Distillery and the Woodland Farm Inn, which offers (above and below) uniquely decorated rooms.



ends here, some bachelorette parties, it's kind of a low-key place to get away."

There's also a barn for gatherings, and there was one last fall, as the Wendels donated the use of the barn for a Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA barn dance/fundraiser.

"We had put new planking in the barn, we wanted to spruce it up a bit. The FFA, it was a fun time for them, it worked out great."

While there are many hoops to jump

through as far as selling their product, it's in the works.

"All these lovely rules and regulations," sighed Danielle, "Iowa is one of the three or four states in the nation to have to go through the state to distribute alcohol. But when that is done it will be available at the Fredericksburg Food Center and local bars and restaurants."

Future plans also call for a tasting room and then their products will be available to sell on site.



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Cedar Valley Hospice expands community resources

by **Stephanie Abel-Hohenzy**
Cedar Valley Hospice

At Cedar Valley Hospice, we understand that opting to receive hospice services for yourself or a loved one can be difficult to come to terms with. So many emotions can come along with the decision, which is why our mission is such an important part of our culture: To enrich lives with knowledge, respect and compassionate care.

Care at home
Throughout the last few years, and still being the midst of COVID-19, many more people have learned about the benefits of Cedar Valley Hospice services. They have experienced the benefits of receiving care at home by the Cedar Valley Hospice team in partnership with their family doctor. Our strong relationships with primary care physicians enabled us to provide an exceptional continuum of care in the privacy and safety of people’s homes.

For those not ready for hospice services, our LINK Palliative Care program has helped so many manage their serious illness, while decreasing the need to visit the doctor or the hospital.

Grief support resources increase
With limited opportunities for traditional bereavement practices during the pandemic coupled with the ongoing need for support after a loved one dies; Cedar Valley Hospice has stepped up. Last year, we served over 3,000 youth and adults through monthly mailings, support groups, face-to-face visits and bereavement calls.

Currently, we offer six grief support groups within our 15-county service area in addition to individual counseling sessions. These are open to anyone in the community, regardless of an affiliation with Cedar Valley Hospice. In Waverly, there is an ongoing, drop-in grief support group on the third Tuesday of every month from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. at the Waverly office, 209 20th St. NW, or via Zoom.

We have also recently collaborated with St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Waverly and other churches to help them provide support to their parishioners and develop a deeper understanding of grief and the services we offer. Our partnership also helps train parishioners on how to help each other (what to say, what not to say) so they can provide support when someone has lost a loved one.

Volunteers back in the community
Over the past two years, Cedar Valley Hospice had to suspend volunteer patient visits and

“When you’re all alone with no family living close, I feel blessed to have the great people of Cedar Valley Hospice to come in, check on me, help me with doctoring and whatever else may come that week. I probably would have gone to the nursing home if it weren’t for them.”
– Barb Wildman
2-year LINK Palliative Care patient

activities. Recently, volunteers have been able to go back to their regular duties. In February, we finished a new volunteer training for 17 new individuals who have committed to our mission. They spent 16 hours with our team to learn about Cedar Valley Hospice, our services and our philosophy of care.

Waverly volunteer Judy Gamble has been a volunteer since 2013 and has visited many patients and their families over the years. “I wanted to give something back to the agency who was such a significant help and comfort to our family (they cared for my dad),” she said.

Whether volunteers help with events, office duties, visit patients or make grief support calls, the 275 selfless souls that perform a number of separate roles are truly the heart of our organization and we are glad to have them back serving families once again. To volunteer, please call Waverly Volunteer and Office Coordinator Cortney Manning at 319.352.1274.

Events on the calendar
We are excited to bring back our spring Nights fundraising event on Friday, April 22. With a fun theme and social hour styled evening, *Margarita Nights, Tikis, Tapas and Tequila* will allow guests to set their mind on island time and enjoy an evening of fun while raising money to support those served by Cedar Valley Hospice. Visit cvhospice.org/nights to get your tickets!

In June, the Forget-Me-Not fundraiser will take place again in Waverly – but will also have a social-hour feel with live music and mingling. Watch the newspaper or visit our website at cvhospice.org for more details to come in April.

Remember that Cedar Valley Hospice can be a resource for you through a variety of its services. It is never too soon to call and see how we can help. For more information, visit cvhospice.org or call 800.626.2360.



Photos courtesy of Cedar Valley Hospice



The new Cedar Valley Hospice Support Center in Waterloo, at left, is the administration and training hub for the Northeast Iowa communities we serve. Inside, feature walls using brand colors like this one in the clinical area, above, create an energizing atmosphere for staff. “Our clinical area is so unique and relaxing,” said Hospice Aide Mandy Klemz. “There is something about the bright color scheme and the comfortable booths and seats that make it easier to focus.”

Below: The Cedar Valley Hospice Waverly office serves the New Hampton area. For the holidays, the Waverly team sported matching gnome shirts that coordinated with their office decorations and won the organization’s “Best Dressed and Decorated” contest. Their theme: There’s “Gnome” Place like Cedar Valley Hospice. From left: Employees Rusty Van Wey, Cheryl Elsbury-Reiher, Cortney Manning, Amy Gomez, Andrea Burgart (front), Laura Skillen, Wendy Leisinger and Amiee Eilers. Not pictured: Cindy Kolthoff, Paula Spurlin and Angie Mohn.



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LOCAL CARE IS THE BEST CARE

FIRST PATIENT TO RECEIVE TOTAL KNEE REPLACEMENT AT MERCYONE NEW HAMPTON LAUDS HOSPITAL, STAFF

By **BOB FENSKE**
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It wasn't like Dennis Landa had never seen a doctor before, but still, this was different for the Little Turkey resident.

"I'd gone to the doctor with a sore throat, an earache, you know, that kind of stuff," Landa said, "but I had never been to a doctor where they were going to get a knife out. I'm not going to lie, that made me a little uncomfortable, a little nervous."

Landa paused for a moment as he sat in a room at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center's Physical Therapy Department and a smile crept across the longtime mechanic's face.

"I'm not going to say it was fun," he said, "but I am so grateful to this place and to everyone — the doctor, the nurses, the physical [therapists]. Throughout everything, they made me feel comfortable and at ease. I couldn't have asked for a better place to get a new knee, and I really mean that. I was a person, not a number, and that meant everything to me."

And Landa also can claim he made history, too, for on a Tuesday morning in mid-February, he became the first person to ever receive a total knee replacement at MercyOne New Hampton.

NEW HAMPTON'S hospital may not be the biggest, but don't let its size

"I'VE TALKED TO FRIENDS OF MINE WHO HAVE HAD SURGERY IN OTHER PLACES, AND THEY THOUGHT THEY WERE JUST PART OF THE MEAT WAGON. I DIDN'T FEEL THAT AT ALL. THEY CARED ABOUT ME PERSONALLY, THEY PRAYED FOR ME, AND I JUST CAN'T TELL YOU HOW GRATEFUL I AM FOR THAT."

— DENNIS LANDA

fool you.

MercyOne's surgical department is a busy place; in fact, six surgeons provide a variety of surgical services at the facility.

"We want to grow it so that it benefits our patients locally," MercyOne New Hampton CEO and President Aaron Flugum said, "so that they can have those procedures and not have to take big trips. ... We know that some residents find traveling difficult. We know parents who have children, it's a lot easier to do something here than lug them somewhere else all day."

The procedures that can be done at MercyOne New Hampton include everything from an upper endoscopy to

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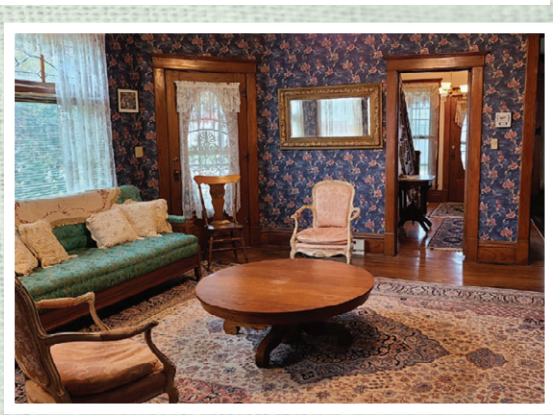



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Physical therapy assistant Emilie Ciavarelli gently encourages Dennis Landa, the Little Turkey man who was the first patient to receive a total knee replacement at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center, during a PT session at the hospital earlier this month.



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Surgeons, hospital staff step up to provide services

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"Having a partner like [MercyOne] Mason City is huge for us," Flugum said. "Let's face it, not all physicians want to travel back and forth an hour each way to do surgeries, but we're blessed with physicians who are willing to make that time commitment, knowing that patients want to do their procedures as close to home as they can."

DENNIS LANDA'S RIGHT knee had been giving him problems for years.

It would lock up on him from time to time, and he'd patiently wait for it to "unlock." The good news, though, is that it was relatively pain free.

"And then one night, around 2 o'clock, it 'woke up' and I mean really woke up," he said. "The pain was unbelievable, it was unbearable. I've never felt pain like that, and after a couple of days, I knew I had to do something."

He met with Dr. Mihail Radulescu, an orthopedic surgeon from Mason City who regularly sees patients at MercyOne New Hampton, and Dr. Rad's verdict was Landa needed a total knee replacement.

"I'm 61, I'm still working. I still like to get out on the golf course, and Dr. Rad basically told me this was the way I was going to be able to keep doing things like that," Landa said.

"OK, I thought, let's do this. I was nervous — that whole knife thing, you know — but when he told me I could do it here, that was a big thing for me."

Landa said he does most — if not all — of the driving when he and his wife, Connie, hit the road.

"Instead of having to drive an hour and a half," he said, "if we could do it here, Connie would have to only drive 20 minutes. And I know that Mason City isn't huge, but let's face it, driving around New Hampton's a heck of a lot easier than getting around Mason City."

So on the day after Valentine's Day, the Landas awoke early, headed to New Hampton and prepped Dennis for surgery.

"On a Monday, I was there for some sleep apnea issues," he said, "and then that Tuesday, I had an injection in my right knee. They looked at me and said, 'Well, tomorrow we have OB, so I don't expect to see you right?' But in all seriousness, the Specialty Clinics and the OR, they're pretty busy actually."

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MERCYONE NEW HAMPTON'S Specialty Clinic offer a variety of services besides surgery.

The hospital's top administrator recently had first-hand experience with the clinic.

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Dennis Landa talks with MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center physical therapy assistant Emilie Ciavarelli about some of the issues he's going through after having a total knee replacement at the New Hampton hospital. "I think one of the things I've been most impressed about is that I can bring up my concerns to anyone — the doctor, the nurses, the physical therapy people," Landa said, "and they always listen, they always go to bat for me. I may not get the answer I always want, but I know they're listening."

MercyOne surgical nurse Kayla Steinlage said that's the goal for every patient the OR sees.

"Dr. Rad has precise surgical skills and truly cares about each of his patients' concerns and needs every step of the healing process," she said, "even going above and beyond with personal follow-up phone calls if he feels necessary."

And she believes in the power of hometown care.

"Local care is the best care," she said. "It's convenient and reassuring for patients to see familiar faces close to home, they can trust for their healthcare needs."

TO OFFER THE services it does is a credit to the MercyOne staff, the hospital's CEO says.

"I think one of the things that we have to have here is people who are willing to be cross-trained, who are willing to step in and do a different job," he said. "From a nurse's standpoint, for example, the positive is you're not doing the same thing day after day, and for a lot of people, that variety is an attraction."

He pointed out that OR staff not only "scrubbed up" during the COVID pandemic, but they also helped with drive-up clinics and that they do much of the pre-procedural work that in a larger hospital is done by someone who only does that and rarely, if ever, steps into surgery.

"That's true throughout our hospital," he said. "Our nurses wear a lot of hats, they support our organization in so many different ways. That is what makes this place special."

A MONTH AFTER his surgery, Dennis Landa is working his knee in MercyOne's Physical Therapy Department.

As he works on increasing the "range" of his new knee, he does so under the watchful eye of physical therapy assistant Emilie Ciavarelli, who is encouraging and yes, demanding when she has to be.

"OK Dennis, just a few more, you're doing great but let's step it up just a bit," she says as he works on "leg presses."

Since his surgery, he has had standing appointments on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays with PT, and as he takes a break from his exercises, he's asked about his progress.

"I'm not quite where I want to be, but I'm getting there," he said, "and it's because of all these people — Dr. Rad, the nurses, the PT people. They have great attitudes, all of them, and I think that's kind of rubbed off on me."

He can see the proverbial lights at the end of the tunnel — going back to work, golfing, going for walks — and the word he uses over and over is grateful.

"To be able to do it here, close to home," he says, "I can't tell you how grateful I am for that, but what I'm really grateful for are these people. I'll never forget the care they gave me."

"It was the best, and it says something about what a cool little hospital we have here in New Hampton."



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Furniture and flooring evolve, but service still comes first at Dungey's

By BOB FENSKE
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Bob Fenske

Much has changed at Dungey's Furniture and Flooring since Everett Dungey founded the business in 1963, but his two sons who now run the business say providing great customer service remains one of the hallmarks of the New Hampton store.

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SUPERINTENDENT: SCHOOLS CONTINUE TO TRANSFORM BUT ‘BASIC KNOWLEDGE’ AND RELATIONSHIPS WILL ALWAYS MATTER

By BOB FENSKE
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Jay Jurrens will be the first to admit that bringing change to schools is, well, it's difficult.

The reason? A made-up word called “nostesia.”

“Schools are very slow to change,” said Jurrens, the superintendent for both New Hampton and Turkey Valley schools, “and some of that is that every parent has gone through school, and what happens with ‘nostesia’ is that they have both nostalgia and amnesia when it comes to their school days. They remember the good things; they forget the things that didn't work.”

Yet, schools are changing, and Jurrens' 25-plus years in education are the proverbial proof in the pudding.

“When I started teaching, almost every teacher had their students sitting in rows, and we basically talked, the students listened and then every now and then, they regurgitated what they heard,” he said. “What we've found out, however, that is not the best way kids learn because two weeks after they took that test, they didn't remember hardly anything they learned.”

So students today now learn in vastly different ways than their parents and grandparents did.

Oh, some teachers still lecture, don't get us wrong, but take a look at the layout plan at New Hampton's new middle school.

Sure, it has classrooms, but it also has expansive hallways so that students can work better in groups. It has nooks and crannies, if you will, that are perfect for small-group discussions. And the classrooms in the building? Well, the desks and chairs in many of

them are not close to symmetrical.

Even in the district's two older buildings — the elementary school was originally built in the 1930s and added on to in the 1950s and 1960s while the high school opened in the late 1960s — the use of hallway space is much different than when the facilities were being constructed.

“When I was a kid,” Jurrens said, “a hallway was, you know, a hallway. It had lockers and you used it to get from class to class and that was it. That's no longer the case.”

EMBRACING TECHNOLOGY

The author of this story remembers the computer class that he took in the early 1980s while a high school student.

He went to his school's “old principal's office” picked up the phone, dialed a number, plugged the phone into couplers so he could connect to a local university's computer and began working on the components of computer program he learned in class.

He, like Jurrens, remembers taking typing in high school and remembers that shorthand was offered.

Today, students carry around iPads, Chromebooks and computers, and when they get to class, they use them to take notes, look things up and complete homework assignments.

“We haven't talked about the 1-to-1 program we started years ago in a long time,” said Jurrens about the program in which the district supplies iPads to students in its lower grades and Chromebooks to its high school students, “and I'm not saying it was controversial when we started it but there were questions. Now, we can't imagine not having that program in place.”



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton Elementary School teacher Miranda Eichenberger greets one of her students on the first day of the 2019-20 school year.

Jurrens paused and smiled.

“I still think change is hard for schools, but it's being done,” he said. “And, I would argue if we thought the changes were pretty dramatic over the last 20 years, wait until you see the next 20 years. ... We don't even know what jobs we'll be preparing kids for because they don't exist right now. But they will.”

IS THERE A FUTURE?

Jurrens, though, believes schools will always exist, but they may look vastly different than they appear today.

“I don't think schools are necessarily going to be encased within the walls of say a building as much as they were when we were kids,” he said, “but I would also argue that that there are always excessive pendulum swings when it comes to education. What's important now to people may not have been important 20 years ago but may be important to them 20 years from now. It swings; that's just a fact.”

Jurrens does believe that schools will be part of an effort to “shortening the pipeline from school to work” — pointing out that one of the pendulum swings he has witnessed is the fact that defining a high school student as successful doesn't mean he or she attends a four-year college, for example.

He also believes that registered apprenticeships could be the next wave of the future.

Yet, at the same time, the school administrator emphatically believes that schools will always have to deliver “basic knowledge” to its students and its communities. That means reading, writing, math, science and social studies are not going to go away.

“We still need those basic skills, we still need to know where we came from, no matter how much the world changes,” he said.

RELATIONSHIPS MATTER

Even as education has changed over

the years, there remains another constant that Jurrens believes will be a part of any successful school system.

Even in a world that has gotten more complicated, the superintendent said, relationships still matter; in fact, the bond between teacher and student may be even more important today than it was in the past.

“Good teachers know the importance of building relationships with their students,” he said, “and I think when we talk about ‘nostesia,’ that's one thing that really hasn't changed.”

He said the importance of relationships can't be overstated when it comes to schools.

“Think about it, we, even people my age, all have teachers we remember not because of what they necessarily taught us in the classroom — that's important, I'm not saying that — but because we knew they really cared about us, they really wanted to see us succeed. ... That I just don't think will ever change.”

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Products change but service won't at Dungey's



Dungey's Furniture and Flooring longtime employee Joyce Laures looks over a chair that has USB ports built into it.

DUNGEY'S: FROM C3

"Every customer is different," said Trace Dungey, who owns and operates with is brother, Mark, the furniture store that has overcome obstacles to become a New Hampton staple. "Some people come in and know exactly what they want. Others come in and will sit in every chair or on every couch, go home, come back and do it all over again the next day before they make a decision."

He paused and smiled, for he knew the reporter of this story had just spent a few minutes with longtime Dungey's interior decorator and sales consultant Joyce Laures as he looked for a new mattress.

"You're definitely the guy who knows what he wants," Dungey said with a laugh, "but here's the deal. We appreciate both kinds of customers. We know when people come here for a couch, a bed, flooring, a

chair, whatever, they are making an investment, and our dad — even when Mark and I were just little kids — always emphasized that great service is the most important thing a business can offer its customers."

As Dungey's closes in on its 60th birthday, the brothers who own the store and their employees, many of whom have made careers at the store, have seen plenty of changes.

Couches and chairs that can be "plugged" into an electrical wall socket so that folks can charge their phones through the furniture's USB ports. So-called memory foam has made everything from recliners to couches to mattresses more comfortable. And those commercials that show a bowling ball being dropped on one part of the mattress and not affecting the rest of it ... well, that's a fact.

And then there is flooring, which has become more durable over the years.

"I think one of the things we're seeing is that there are some people out there who don't want any carpeting, especially younger people," Dungey said before adding with a laugh, "and I'm definitely not one of them. When I get out of bed in the morning, I want to step on carpeting."

Still, in-floor heating, which was almost science fiction when the Dungey brothers began working for their father, Everett, years ago, is a popular choice for a number of home owners.

"That's especially true in bathrooms," Trace Dungey said. "That's where you see it added quite a bit. People getting out of the shower, they don't want to step on a cold floor."

Dungey's Furniture and Flooring, of course, has been through a decade like no other.

In October 2014, the original store building located across the street from Mikkelson Park

on New Hampton's east side was consumed by a fire.

After spending almost two years in a temporary location — the old Soy Basics Candle Outlet Store — Dungey's moved into its new, modern location.

"It's hard to believe it's been eight years this October," Trace Dungey said. "Sometimes it seems like a lifetime ago; other times it seems like it was yesterday."

As that milestone 60th anniversary approaches, the two brothers who own and operate the store say they will continue to put great value on customer service.

And they know one more thing, too: Furniture and flooring will continue to evolve.

"It's always changing," Trace Dungey said, "and the crazy thing is that some of the things that were popular 30 years ago will all of a sudden be all the rage. That's just the way this business works."



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Programs that qualify for the funding include nearly every industry in the region, including business, agriculture, healthcare, computer science, industrial technology and auto mechanics. Last-Dollar Scholarship funding is also available for shorter one-year diploma programs, such as Welding, Computer Numerical Control Machinist Technician, Heating and Air Conditioning and others.

Northeast Iowa Community College has also expanded education and training options for high school students who want to complete a short-term certificate and be paid during their training. One recent graduate, Michael Turner, took advantage of these “earn and learn” opportunities created in partnership between area businesses and NICC. After Michael participated in a heavy equipment simulator training event, he enrolled in the Construction Equipment Operator certificate program at the College. During the program he was hired by JB Holland Construction in Decorah, who paid for his hours during the training.



“The simulator training at NICC got me used to the controls and made using the real equipment less stressful. It also got me used to working with grade rods, which is a lot of fun.”

MICHAEL TURNER
CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT OPERATOR, '21

Graduates may advance their skills and knowledge through employer-sponsored apprenticeship programs at the College. This year, an Apprenticeship – Mold Maker graduate from NICC, Colton Nefzger, completed his training. The earn and learn model builds a more skilled workforce while allowing employees to earn a living during their training.



“Programs like the one at Northeast Iowa Community College allow a person to get a credential while also working at the same time. It’s a good way for someone to advance in a trade and better themselves.”

COLTON NEFZGER
MOLD MAKER GRADUATE

Apprenticeship programs at NICC registered with the U.S. Department of Labor National Apprenticeship Program include: Mold maker, tool and die maker, maintenance electrician and mechanic, welder, heavy truck driver, heating and air conditioner install/service, set-up programmer for milling and turning, and Agriculture Business.

The local economy is positively impacted by these apprenticeships, according to Mark Gerein, dean of advanced manufacturing, industrial technology and computer science at NICC.


“One of the most significant benefits of apprenticeships is they help organizations keep their employees motivated and committed for the long-term, by helping them develop their skills over several years,” Mark said. “Well-trained, highly skilled staff adds value to all organizations; both directly and through their ability to coach, mentor and train other team members. Upskilling existing staff is a great way to ensure a business has the capable personnel they need, while improving productivity, quality of product or service and higher staff morale.”

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