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Cities strike out with county

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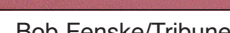
And one by one, the board rejected all four requests, less than a month after the county gave the city of

"All of their requests are valid and needs funding, in my opinion," Supervisor Steve Breithach said.

A pattern was set with the first request considered, one from Alta Vista for \$50,000 to help with proj-

Breitbart made the motion and after

SEE SUPERVISORS. 2



A FINE TIME IN IONIA!

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SEE FUN DAYS. 7



SEE INSURANCE, 2



Meredith and Quintin Becker renew their vows during the Marriage Reunion Sunday that was held at the Little Brown Church, where the two were married this past July 14.

New Hampton family to donate proceeds to family of 20-year-old Waverly resident who attended UNI and has family in New Hampton after her death in a tour bus rollover accident in Arizona

4:30 p.m., Anderson, his family and friends will gather in the parking lot of Security State Bank and sell corn — \$5 for a dozen ears — to raise money for the family of a young Waverly woman who was tragically killed in a tour bus accident last week in Arizona.

Landri Burgart, age 20, died last Tuesday from injuries she suffered when the tour bus her family was on rolled over in Grand Canyon West in Arizona. Burgart was the daughter of Jeremy (Scooby) and Andrea Burgart of Waverly, and at the time of the

accident, she was enjoying a vacation with her family before returning to the University of Northern Iowa this fall.

Jeremy Burgart was a 1990 graduate of New Hampton High School, and Landi's grandparents are Tom and Doreen Burgart of New Hampton.

"When we heard the news, I just felt like we had to reach out to Tom and Doreen, to Jeremy and his family and help in anyway we could," Anderson said. "I can't imagine what the Burgarts are going through right now; it's just incredibly tragic. We just

want them to know that a lot of people are thinking about them and want to help in some way."

And on Tuesday, Anderson heard from Big Foot BBQ's Kurt Schmitt.

"He called, he heard what we were doing and he wanted to help out so we're going to have him serving pork loin sandwiches from 11 to 2 and he's donating it all back to the Burgarts."

In the past, the Anderson's sweet corn has been used for a variety of fundraisers — ranging from helping the family of Tatum Lechtenberg when she

was diagnosed with cancer to raising funds for the TRIBE Trail to supporting the Chickasaw Wrestling Club — and Anderson said the Burgart family has long held a special place in his heart.

Tom Burgart's father, "Hoop" Burgart, was Anderson's Little League baseball coach when he was growing up in Ionia.

"All of us have some great stories and memories of Hoop," he said, "and he and his family did a lot for our area and now it's our turn to help his family."

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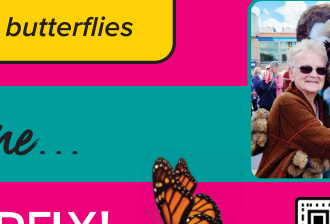
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If you own a business, you’ve always got a lot on your mind. But no matter how busy you are today, you need to think about tomorrow. Specifically, you’ll want to create an exit strategy for the day you want to move on from your business to a new phase in your life.

To develop this strategy, you’ll need to address these key questions:

• *How much do you need (or want) for your business?* Ideally, you’ll want the sale of your business to meet your retirement and estate-planning goals. So, you’ll need to think carefully about these goals and what costs they may entail. And these issues aren’t just financial — for example, when you think about how you may want to spend your tie in retirement, you might realize that you don’t really want to exit your business completely. So, you might decide to sell just part of it, or sell it entirely, but stay on to help manage it or possibly do some consulting for the new owners.

• *How much is your business worth?* You may want to calculate your business’ value three to five years before your planned exit. You could do this on your own, but it’s typically advantageous to use professional valuation services. If you’re gifting or selling your business to family members, selling it to an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) or settling an estate, you’ll need to get a more formal qualified appraisal to meet IRS standards.

• *How can you close the gap between what you need and what your business is worth?* The amount you need from the sale of your business to support your retirement goals may be more than what your business is actually worth. To help close this gap, you could try to boost your business’s profits through the usual means, such as introducing new products, raising prices or cutting costs. But you might also try to lower the amount you need from the



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sale by working longer, reducing your personal spending and saving more outside the business.

• *Who will take over your business?* When planning for a successor for your business, you have several choices, including selling to a family member or an outside buyer. Going public or liquidating the business are also options. These are distinct paths, but depending on your circumstances, one might be more appropriate for you than another. To cite just one factor, if you don’t have an obvious choice for a family member to take over the business, you might have to consider other buyers. In any case, you’ll need to explore all the economic and personal factors involved in the choice of successor.

Who can help you with your exit strategy? Exiting a business can be complex. To ensure you’re making the right moves for your overall financial and family situations, you may want to build an exit strategy team, possibly consisting of your financial, legal and tax advisors. You may also need to enlist the services of a commercial banker and a business evaluation expert. Each of these professionals can bring a different area of expertise to your exit decisions, and together they can help address all the issues related to your exit strategy.

Exiting your business will take a lot of planning and decisions — but if it’s done right, it can be worth the effort.

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City to take on additional health insurance costs

To remain in compliance with American Cares Act, City Council votes to pay additional ‘1 percent’ for its employees

By BOB FENSKE

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Long story short, the New Hampton City Council didn’t have much of a choice Monday.

Either pay a little bit more of their employees’ health insurance premiums or face a steep — and we mean steep increase — in premium charges.

City Clerk Karen Clemens told the council that because the city has a policy that has been in effect since before the American Cares Act (ACA) became law in 2010, the city’s “grandfathered” policy requires that employees pay no more than 13 percent of the premium.

But as of July 1, employees are paying 14

percent of the premiums, which means the city is technically not in compliance with the ACA. If the city switches to a different policy, Clemens said, the city wouldn’t be tied to the 13 percent threshold.

There’s a catch, however, because as the city explored its options, it found out that the premium increases that would come from leaving the grandfathered current policy could range anywhere from 44 to 76.4 percent.

Clemens told the council that Wellmark Blue Shield could cancel the current policy at any time, but that, at least for the time being, she recommended that the city take on the additional “1 percent” in an effort to explore more options.

“I don’t see any other way of doing this,”

Councilwoman Mindy Humpal said, “but at the same time, we really need to make sure we’re prepared for what happens if this policy goes away.”

Council members then voted unanimously to send a “memorandum of understanding” (MOU) to the union that represents city employees that will state the city will pick up the costs so that employees are only paying 13 percent of the premium.

Also on Monday, the council approved Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson’s recommendation to hire Kristi Pederson, the wife of New Hampton Police Chief Tim Pederson, to replace longtime assistant Megan Baltes, who is leaving the office later this month.



Dave and Kay Rasmussen

Rasmussen 60th anniversary

Dave and Kay Rasmussen are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary today as they were married on Aug. 10, 1963.

Their family includes Randy (Sue) Micah, along with Soren and Norah, of Easton, Connecticut, and Terry (Cami) Rasmussen, along with Cari Ann, Ryan and John of Solon.



Richard and Lucille Bill

Bill 50th anniversary

The family of Richard and Lucille Bill are requesting a card shower for their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple was married on Aug. 18, 1973, and their family has grown to include their four children, Karen (Jamie) Heit, David (Dawn) Bill, Becky (Tony) Zwanziger and Bobby (Amie) Bill; 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Cards can be mailed to the Bills at 1259 Kenwood Ave., New Hampton, IA 50659.



Photo courtesy of Lillie Hines

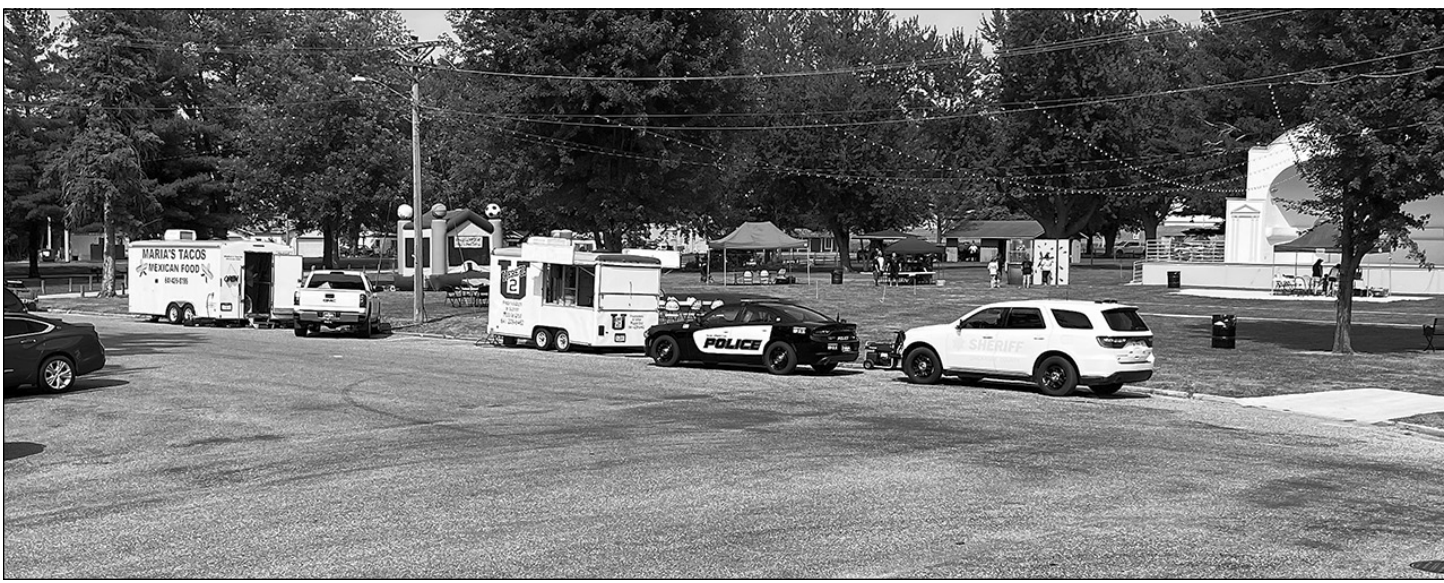
Windbreak Award

SWCD Commissioner Randy Miller (right) presents Charlie and Susan Harrington the Chickasaw County Soil and Water Conservation District 2023 Windbreak Award.

In 2015, they planted one row of Red Dogwood, two rows Dark Green Arborvitae, and two rows of Black Hill Spruce.

The Harringtons take great pride in their trees, and it shows in the well-maintained windbreak.

They planted a windbreak with the goal of having protection for their home and it has done just that, as well as beautified the area and provided food and shelter for wildlife. They look forward to watching the trees mature.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

A good day to Back the Blue and Fuel the Fire

Mikkelson Park was home to a unique event this past Saturday as Fuel the Fire or Back the Blue was held, and the event had plenty to offer, including competition events between the fire department and law enforcement agencies, face painting, raffle items, food trucks, dunk tank, pie smashing, bouncy houses, cotton candy and food.

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Service times: 9 a.m.,
Sunday.

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Mass time: Saturday, 6
p.m.

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Mass time: Saturday,
Aug. 19, 4 p.m.

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Mass time: Saturday, 6
p.m.

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Pastor Sue Cira
641-364-2115
Service time: Sunday,
8 a.m.

ELMA

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Rev. Jerry Kopacek
Mass: Sunday, July 23,
7:15 a.m.

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Pastor Bruce Miller
107 Wood St. Elma
Service time: 9 a.m.
Sunday.

NORTH WASHINGTON

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CONCEPTION

Father Jim Goerend
Mass: Saturday, Aug. 19,
6 p.m.

Let us serve

Pastor challenges all of us to step out of our comfort zones to help others

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

Let us continue to focus our efforts and energy. Not just glorifying God but glorifying God with all of God's children, not just those that are the age of adults.

Let that also remind us that there is no true season or age that removes us from serving in the ministry. To be in the ministry is to be serving, I realized that when we are asking for help or seeking help, I often hear, "Well I'm

not good at that" or "I could serve in another way, I've done that all before."

The truth is we serve in any way and every way we possibly can even if it's out of our comfort zone.

Just because you've done it before doesn't mean you can't do it again and maybe even teach somebody else who hasn't done it before. Because God could easily use that moment to not just grow us but to reach out to another person through us.

Let the next month be a month that you

challenge yourself to step out of your comfort zone. I know that I intend on doing that in several different ways because I know that at times we become stagnant we become comfortable.

Let God use you to look for the opportunities. The only comfort we need comes from Him and Him alone. And some of the greatest comfort I have ever felt and been a part of is stepping out in that and allowing God to use and mold me how he sees fit not how I feel comfortable.

We have been given the greatest example of



Pastor Anthony Harris serves Harvest Church New Hampton, and more about the church can be found online at harvestcares.com.

all, the Saviour Jesus Christ.

So let us be those that continually serve in any way we can as we Glorify HIM.



Photos courtesy of Brad Shatek

A fun time at Steeple Days in Lourdes!

From Bingo (above) to the kids tractor pull (below left) and Joe Thraenert sharing the story of his parents' dedication to Our Lady of Lourdes, there was a lot on the "menu" at the annual Steeple Days that was held on the last Saturday of July.



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Sundays.

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Pastor Todd Burrichter
Service time: 9 a.m.
Sundays.

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p.m. Friday.

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Father Tom Heathershaw
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p.m. Saturdays

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Pastor Drew McHolm
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9 a.m.

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Sundays.

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ST. LUCAS

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Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, Aug. 20,
8:30 a.m.

PROTIVIN

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Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, Aug. 20,
8:30 a.m.

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Rev. Peter Wenzel
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Almanac

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Wednesday	78	59	--
Thursday	85	61	--
Friday	88	62	--
Saturday	82	62	--
Sunday	71	62	.20
Monday	79	58	--
Tuesday	82	59	--

Forecast

Thursday: Sunny with a high of 81 and low of 62.
Friday: Mostly sunny but chance of pop-up thunderstorms and showers; high 85, low 60.
Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 82 and a low of 57.
Sunday: Mostly sunny but chance of thunderstorms later in the day; high 80, low 59.
Extended forecast: We'll start off the work week with typical August weather as highs will be in the 80s and lows will be near 60.

Meetings

MONDAY

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
- New Hampton Light Plant and Telecommunications boards, 5 p.m., NHMU board room.

History

- In 1776, word of the American colonies declaring their independence finally reaches England.
- In 1921, future U.S. president Franklin Delano Roosevelt is stricken with a paralytic illness at a summer home on Canadian island of Campobello.
- In 1942, Gen. Bernard Montgomery is appointed the commander of the British 8th Army in North Africa.
- In 1960, Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho" — starring Anthony Perkins and Janet Leigh — premieres in Los Angeles.
- In 1971, Minnesota Twins slugger Harmon Killebrew becomes the 10th player in Major League Baseball to hit 500 career home runs.
- In 1977, 24-year-old postal employee David Berkowitz is arrested and charged with being the "Son of Sam," the serial killer who terrorized New York City for more than a year.

Birthdays

- Edmund Randolph, the first U.S. attorney general, was born in 1753.
- Herbert Hoover, the 31st president of the United States and the only one from Iowa, was born in 1874.
- American model, TV and social media personality Kylie Jenner turns 26.
- American TV actress Angie Harmon turns 51.
- Former heavyweight boxing champion Riddick Bowe turns 56.
- American actress Rosanna Arquette turns 64.

Corrections

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

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David Jacobsen, 82



Dave Jacobsen

David Jacobsen, age 82 of Fredericksburg, died Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023, at New Hampton Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 7, 2023, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fredericksburg with the Rev. Ronnie Koch officiating. Lunch was served following the burial at the City Hall in Fredericksburg.

Interment were held at Rose Hill Cemetery, Fredericksburg with Mitch Jacobsen, Lindsey Jacobsen, Alex Kerr, Zak Kerr, Dan Kerr, Brad Kerr, and Todd Kerr serving as pallbearers. Military rites were conducted by Amvets Post 90.

Friends greeted the family from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 7, 2023, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fredericksburg.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory was entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.hugeback-funeralhome.com.

David Frederick Jacobsen was born on Oct. 12, 1940, to Frederick and Bessie (Renslow) Jacobsen. Dave grew up in West St. Paul, Minnesota, and graduated from Sibley High School in 1958.

Immediately following graduation, he enlisted into the United States Marine Corps. Dave was a proud Marine and served his country well for ten years, including both active and reserve service. Dave achieved the rank of staff sergeant and he carried himself throughout his entire life to be a proud Marine, father, husband, stepdad, grandpa, great-grandpa, friend and overall outstanding citizen.

In 1962, Dave married Gwen Paul in West St. Paul and shortly after moved to Rochester, Minnesota, starting a family and raising two boys – Paul and Troy. Dave continued to serve in the Reserves while also discovering he had the "gift of gab" while working his first sales positions at both 7-Up and Gerber Baby Foods.

After his service and term in the Marines, Dave and his family moved to Minnesota City, Minnesota, where Dave was a sales representative for A.A.L., selling life and health insurance in the Winona area for 20 years. In 1984, after years of being around animals and watching his eldest son grow a love for raising fox, Dave turned his talents into representing National Feeds Inc., the company that supplied dog and fox food to kennels and distributors throughout the entire U.S., Canada and Alaska.

Dave divorced in 1989, but in 1991, Dave found love again and married the "town sweetheart" — Joan Kerr from Fredericksburg. Dave was a well-known member of the community and was often seen at the golf course or out

and about with his friends and neighbors.

Dave was a proud member of the Amvets Post 90 in Fredericksburg for 21 years, and after his retirement from National, he was elected post commander and served this post and community proudly. He especially took pride in organizing the town's Memorial Day programs and many other events.

Dave was also elected and served as the Chickasaw County Veterans Affairs service officer — located in New Hampton. Dave helped countless veterans and their families in the area during their search for information, government funding, help and support. Dave was also instrumental in the funding and development of the Veterans Memorial located in Fredericksburg.

Dave had many talents and he loved spending his time working in his woodshop, playing golf, traveling, playing cards and fishing with his boys in Canada.

Dave was a man of great faith who dressed well and had an unforgettable handshake!

Survivors include his wife: Joan (Kerr) Jacobsen of Fredericksburg; his sons, Paul (Jenelle) Jacobsen of Minnesota City, Minnesota, and Troy (Laurie) Jacobsen of Minneiska, Minnesota. Dave is also survived by Dan (Lori) Kerr of Des Moines, Brad (Tami) Kerr of Huxley and Todd (fiancé Mary Clark) Kerr of Des Moines; grandchildren, Mitch (Paige) Jacobsen, Lindsey Jacobsen and Kailey (James) Winterbottom, Tallie, Zak (Jennifer) and Alex Kerr; and great-grandchildren, Miles Jacobsen and Brooks and Boston Kerr; siblings, John (Carol) Jacobsen, Barb Kleinek and Suzanne Bruggman; and many nieces, nephews, true friends and caring neighbors; and he will truly be missed by many.

The family would like to give a special thanks to all the caring nurses and Hospice staff at the New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Dave was preceded in death by his parents and grandson Dawson.

Property Transfers

City of New Hampton to Logan Smith and Kayla Smith; W1/2 S113-2/3' L3 SW NE 07-95-12

Blane Bark to Ruan Scobee; NASHUA UNDERWOODS ADDITION Lot: 1 Block: 1 NASHUA UNDERWOODS ADDITION Lot: 2 Block: 1 EX W5' NASHUA UNDERWOODS ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 1.

Sara J. Scobee to Little Big Shots Investment Properties LLC; N22' EX W30' NASHUA ORIGINAL PLAT NASHUA Lot: 1 Block: 10.

Pembina Cochin LLC to Donald W. Shatek LIV TR; S208.71' W208.71 SW SW 36-97-13.

Mary Catherine Loes EST, Kevin Loes COEX, Kevin L. Loes COEX and Neal Loes COEX to Alvin B. Martin and Sara E. Marvin; PARCEL 2023-3 SW SW 20-97-13.

Robert N. Kolbet to Robert N. Kolbet REV TR; UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST E1/2 EX SW 01-96-14 S20AC E1/2 NW 01-96-14 BEG SW COR SE 01-96-14 ALL W CENTER RD S1/2 EX SE NE 12-96-14 EX NE SE 12-96-14.

Meagan I. Sobolik to Paul M. Sobolik; S54' L9 W1/2 SW 07-95-12 N6' L7 OF L23 SW SW 07-95-12.

Donald J. Geddeis and Mary Geddeis to Roger J. Dreckman and Carla M. Dreckman; NEW HAMPTON UNDERWOODS THIRD ADDITION Lot: 1.

David M. Snyder and Barbara L. Snyder to Jeremy L. Moorman and Erin J. Moorman; NEW HAMPTON FAIRVIEW ADDITION Lot: 8 Block: 10 W22' NEW HAMPTON FAIRVIEW ADDITION Lot: 7 Block: 10.

Chickasaw County Iowa to DGOGNEWHAMPTON 12142002 LLC; lots 1 through 12 SE NE 07-95-12.

Aaron Blatti and Janet Blatti to DGOGNEWHAMPTONIA12142022 LLC; E255' W288' N170' S335' SE NE 07-95-12.

Lynn Schwickerath, Linda Schwickerath, Luann Lechtenberg, Lynette Mahowald and Randy Mahowald to Lynn Schwickerath, Luann Lechtenberg and Lynette Mahowald; NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 16 Block: 3 NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 17 Block: 3 W28.1' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 18 Block: 3 PARCEL B NW NW 18-96-13 PARCEL C NW NW 18-96-13 EX PARCEL A NE 13-96-14.

Jayson R. Holthaus and Lexi R. Holthaus to Brandon Brincks and Lexi Brase; PARCEL B IN L1 SE SE 22-96-13 PARCEL 2021-38 E1/2 SE 22-97-13.

Marion L. Stone EST, Faythe Stone Brocka COEX, Faythe Stone Brocka COEX, Leslie M. Hansen COEX and Leslie Hansen COEX to Harry John Buhre Jr. and Sandra K. Buhre; SW 20-96-12.

Marion L. Stone EST, Faythe Stone Brocka COEX, Faythe Stone Brocka COEX, Leslie M. Hansen COEX and Leslie Hansen COEX to Leslie Hansen; E1/2 EX NE 12-95-12 L1 EX NE 12-95-12.

Larry Lee Franzen, 73



Larry Franzen

Larry Lee Franzen, age 73 of Fredericksburg, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 25, 2023 at Unity Point- Allen Hospital in Waterloo.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Monday, June 12, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton with Deacon Vic DeSloover officiating.

Interment was held in Rose Hill Cemetery, Fredericksburg.

Friends greeted the family from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 11, 2023, at Hugeback - Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service at the funeral home in New Hampton on Monday.

Larry Lee Franzen — a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle and friend — was born on April 30, 1950, in New Hampton, to Arnold and Elsie (Wilkie) Franzen. Larry was a lifelong resident of Chickasaw County and a pillar of his community.

Larry attended Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic School in Lawler for grade school and went on to graduate from Turkey Valley High School in 1969.

After graduation, he worked for the Woodring family on their farming operation, helping in various ways. Larry then spent 16 years working for Harvey Drewelow as a jack of all trades and an integral part of his farming operation. Larry worked at Oliver/White in Charles City while working for Harvey and went on to work full-time for Harvey.

Larry met Mary Hurley through a mutual friend and their love story started. They were married on April 30, 1976. Larry and Mary made their home in Fredericksburg.

Deciding to change careers, Larry began working for the Fred Carlson Company on road construction. Larry continued working on road construction, working for the State of Iowa. He then moved on to the Fredericksburg Co-op, where he held numerous tasks and duties. Larry's love for his community led him to work for the Fredericksburg School System as a custodian for 27 years. Larry also drove a full-time bus route and lunch bus until he retired in 2013. He loved interacting with the students and he was notorious for slipping them a piece of candy when the teachers weren't looking. He acquired the nickname "Candyman" as all the kids would stand in line after lunch with their hand out waiting patiently for their piece of candy.

After retirement, Larry returned to the school and continued to serve his community by driving for Sumner-Fredericksburg Schools, having a full-time bus route and shuttle route until he became sick in 2017.

Larry was known for his love

of tinkering on cars and just about anything. He had a skill for being able to fix anything and was always willing to lend a helping hand. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, affectionately known as the Kit Cats and the Tom Cats.

As a fun-loving grandpa, he made sure to give each grandchild a taste of ice cream at two weeks old, no questions asked. Larry was a well known jokester that loved to make people smile and laugh. He woke up every morning smiling and singing and grateful for a new day. If you knew him at any length, he more than likely had a nickname for you that carried on as long as he was here. He started a family tradition at Christmas time that involved a calculator box and it was an anticipation as to who would get it every year.

It was always a surprise what might be in it and the grandkids looked forward to it every year waiting to see who was the one that got it. He loved wrapping present for any occasion, especially Christmas and adding his extra special touch of extra tape and sometimes duck tape to make it take a little longer to open your gift and he would be giggling and smiling the whole time.

Gardening, fishing, and hunting were passions that Larry had throughout his life. He had a hobby of growing and selling sweet corn and was a self-described expert at picking the perfect ear of corn. Larry's friendly demeanor and selfless nature made him beloved by all who knew him.

Larry secretly loved cooking, baking and canning. He learned from his mom, Elsie, as a young boy how to make homemade noodles, it was a specialty. Elsie labored and loved spending time with Larry and you would find him in the kitchen every chance he could. He passed his cooking secrets and baking skills on to his granddaughter Lucky, who was a quick learner and will carry on his secret recipes.

Larry and Mary had two children — Laura Lea and Traci Ann, both born in New Hampton, — and a wonderful son by marriage, Danny Loewen. Larry grew very close with Danny and they spent lots of time together.

Larry was known for his love

Lester E. Mahlstedt Jr., 68



Lester Mahlstedt

Lester E. Mahlstedt Jr., age 68 of Ionia, died Saturday, July 29, 2023, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota.

A funeral service for family and close friends was held 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 7, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton with the Rev. Scott Smith presiding.

Friends greeted the family from 3 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 6, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton.

Lester Ernest Mahlstedt, born on May 12, 1955, in Waverly. He was the son of Lester Mahlstedt Sr. and Marian Mellmann and spent his formative years in Fredericksburg, where he attended school and graduated from Fredericksburg High School in 1973.

During his school days, Lester was an active individual who excelled in sports, particularly basketball. He also showed a keen interest in agriculture and was deeply involved in the FFA.

He spent many of his younger years assisting his family on the farm, notably helping his father on the milk route. It was during this time that he began to develop a fondness for working on cars, attending auto mechanic schooling, which ultimately ignited a lifelong passion.

In pursuit of his dreams, Lester took a bold step and became the proud owner of a gas station in Lawler, where he

worked diligently, and fearlessly rode his motorcycle to work even in the harsh winters to save a few bucks on gas.

Later on, he joined the Department of Transportation (DOT) as a mechanic in Waukon and subsequently transferred to Charles City, where he continued to contribute his skills until his well-earned retirement in 2019.

However, Lester's true love was found on the racetracks. He had a burning passion for anything with an engine, and this love drove him to participate in drag races in Waterloo and race numerous laps at local dirt tracks in Cresco, West Union, and Decorah, where his favorite track resided. For Lester, racing was not only about the thrill but also the sense of competition it brought, proving his worth as a driver without solely relying

er. Larry enjoyed spending countless hours with his girls. It didn't matter if he was sleep deprived, you would find him outside playing, pulling them around with the lawnmower, taking rides in the truck, riding the tractor or playing with the kittens or dogs. When not outside they were playing cards or board games, making the most of every second. He was an amazing father and provider for his family, their biggest cheerleader and loving each one in every possible way. His family was EVERYTHING TO HIM.

He loved to surprise and spoil his best friend and the love of his life, Mary. He did so in many ways, buying a funnel cake at Dairy Days, a new outfit, a ride around town, popcorn from Theisens, making Mary's favorite dish, bringing home pull tabs/lottery tickets for them to do together, treats from the store or just watching TV together.

They were rarely apart in their over 50 years together and took care of each other and enjoyed every single second together in the good and the bad. It wasn't about money, material objects or anything like that. It was about each other and living the life they built and loved together.

Larry's life was one of love, service, and dedication to his family and community. His memory will live on through the countless lives he touched and the lasting impact he made on those around him. He will be dearly missed, but his spirit will continue to inspire all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Larry is survived by his wife of 47 years, Mary Franzen of Fredericksburg; a daughter, Lauri Ackerman of Frederika; a son through marriage, Danny (Norie) Loewen of Carpenterville, Illinois, 11 grandchildren, Nicole Steege (Shane Thibadeau) of Fredericksburg, Blake Steege (Makaya Henniges) of Fredericksburg, Erika (Grant) Hoogendoorn of Diamond, Missouri, McKenzie Steege (Tucker Wilson) of Lime Springs, Jessica Hirsch of Dumont, Cloe Hirsch of Sumner, Colton Hirsch of Fredericksburg, Luka Franzen Ackerman of Frederika, Gavin Franzen Ackerman of Frederika, Trish (Kurt) Hendricks of Illinois, and Trevor Loewen of Carpenterville, Illinois; five great-grandchildren, Weston Steege and Ryker Thibadeau, Taylor Loewen, and Maverick and Lucy Henricks; three sisters, Linda (Ken) Schaufembuel of Lawler, Lorraine (Ray) Armbrrecht of Fredericksburg, and LeAnn Franzen of Lawler; a brother-in-law, Fred (Diana) Murray of Fredericksburg; along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Traci Hirsch; a grandson in infancy; four brothers, Lyle, Leo, LaVerne, and Lennie Franzen; and sisters, Gerri (Bob) Randall and Leona Murray.

on extravagant investments in his car.

Throughout his life, Lester's love for racing extended to his children, whom he cherished deeply. He had four children and five grandchildren, and some of their most cherished memories together revolved around the race track. His endearing habit of teasing his sons while they raced with his famous line, "car's fine, must be the driver," will forever be etched in their hearts. Lester was a devoted and affectionate man who treasured his time with family above all else.

Lester Ernest Mahlstedt leaves behind a profound impact on all who had the privilege of knowing him. His passion for cars and racing, his unwavering love for his family, and his willingness to help others will forever be remembered.

Lester is survived by two daughters, Lisa (Joel) Miller of Derby, Kansas, and Sheree (Dana) Meihost of Ionia; two sons, Zac Mahlstedt of Alta Vista, and Brian (Kayla) Mahlstedt of Tripoli; five grandchildren; one brother, Larry (Kevin Spire) Mahlstedt of Des Moines; and four sisters, Elinor (Stu) Ferguson of Woodland Park, Colorado, Linda (Ken) Mulholland of Savannah, Illinois, Deloris (Steve) Ryan of LeGrand, and Betty (Bruce) Lampe of Ionia.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Mary Jane Mahlstedt in infancy.

Betty Patricia Steffen, 90

Betty Patricia Steffen, age 90 of Ames, passed away at her home at Northridge Village on August 6, 2023.

Betty was born Dec. 31, 1932, in Chicago, to Peter and Mary (Banko) Rattay. She graduated from Immaculata High School, attended Mundelein College, and worked as an executive secretary at several Chicago companies, including Pullman Standard, Quaker Oats, and Kaiser Aluminum.

In 1966, she married Vince Steffen and moved to New Hampton.

She worked as her husband's legislative secretary and became active in politics, serving on the Iowa Democratic Party State Central Committee. She was later appointed by Gov. Vilsack to the District Judicial Nominating Commission. During her years in New Hampton, she volunteered for numerous political campaigns and served on Sen. John Kerry's 2004 Iowa Leadership Team.

Following Vince's passing in 1994, she was president of Harvestall Industries and Pallet Industries of New Hampton. She also was active in various



Betty Steffen

roles at St. Joseph's Parish and volunteered with the New Hampton School District.

In 2004, she moved to Ames, where she enjoyed taking classes at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) through Iowa State University and volunteered at St. Cecilia's Parish.

Betty loved the arts and was a quick wit. Most of all, she was devoted to her family. She had two sons, Mark (Karen Neff) of Ames, and Peter (Kathleen Mohan) of Chicago. She is sur-

vived by them; two grandchildren, Conor and Hugh; and two sisters-in-law, Patricia Rattay of Phoenix, and Margaret Steffen of Dunkerton.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Vince, her sister, Joan Rattay, brother, Peter Rattay, and thirteen brothers and sisters-in-law.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 14, 2023, at St. Cecilia's Parish, 2900 Hoover Ave. in Ames, followed by a funeral Mass at 11 a.m.

Internment will be at St. Adalbert's Cemetery in Niles, Illinois, at a later date.

The family suggests that memorials may be made in Betty's name to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.StevensMemorialChapel.com for the Steffen family. Memorials or cards in Betty's memory may be sent to Stevens Memorial Chapel at 607 28th St., Ames, Iowa 50010, in care of the Steffen Family.

Roger L. Burgart, 71

Roger L. Burgart, age 71 of Sumner, died Thursday, Aug. 3, 2023, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Services are tentatively scheduled for a Mass of Christian Burial to be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 11, 2023, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Sumner with the Rev. Ralph Davis officiating.

Burial will follow at Union Mound Cemetery in Sumner with military rites provided by Thomas E. Woods Post 223 American Legion of Sumner.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, 2023, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Sumner and for one hour preceding Mass at the Church on Friday.

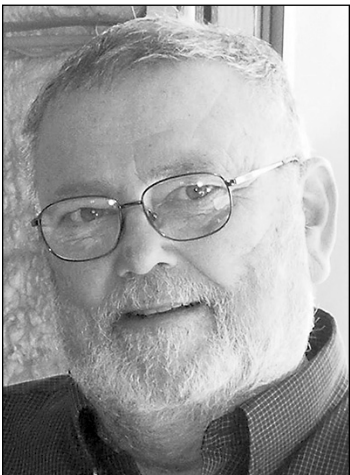
Memorials may be made to the family for later designation. Becker & Son Funeral Home in Sumner is assisting Roger's family. Please visit www.becker-emilnesrettig.com for condolences and updates on services.

Roger Lee, son of Clayton and Virginia (Johnston) Burgart, was born Aug. 26, 1951, in New Hampton. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Hampton.

Roger received his education in the New Hampton school district and graduated from New Hampton High School in 1969.

Roger served in the United States Army from 1971 until being honorably discharged in 1973. He was stationed at Ft. Benning during the Viet Nam Conflict.

On Nov. 16, 1974, Roger was



Roger Burgart

united in marriage with Mary Ruroden at St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Hampton.

He began his working career at Morgan Turkey Farms prior to working for the city of Sumner for over 20 years, retiring in 2016. In addition to working for the city, Roger had a lawn care and chemical spraying business that he was still operating.

He was a long time member of Thomas E. Woods Post 223 American Legion of Sumner, Northeast Iowa Antique Engine and Power Group, Lions Club, Fire Department, SEMS, Knights of Columbus and managed the His Hands Food Pantry with his wife, Mary.

This past June, Roger was honored to fly on the Honor Flight and he was accompanied by his son, Dan "Spanky." He was also recently presented a Quilt of Valor.

Roger remained extremely busy with his volunteer service and his lawn care business, but

in his limited spare time, he enjoyed collecting antique tractors and tinkering on them, deer hunting with family, annual trips with his brother and family to Texas to go wild hog hunting, tractor pulls (organized the Sumner Labor Day Tractor Pull for the past 16 years) and giving kids rides on the wagon he pulled with his tractor.

Roger is survived by his wife, Mary of Sumner; children, Dan "Spanky" (Linda) Burgart of Tripoli, Jessica (Bruce Pavelec) Burgart of Tripoli and Cory (Vanessa Westen) Burgart of Cedar Rapids; three grandchildren, Mason (Gabby Power) Malget of La Porte City, Trent Pavelec of Frederika, and Amber (Ben) Osborn of Ankeny; great-grandchild, Addison Osborn; siblings, Diane Dann of Fredericksburg, Barbara (Dennis) Folkers of Oelwein, Rick (Jan) Burgart of New Hampton, Randy (Linda) Burgart of New Hampton, Dixie (Jim) Joebgren of North Washington, Rocky (Sue) Burgart of New Hampton, and Dawn (John) Eichenberger of Lawler; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Harlan (Ingrid) Ruroden of Loveland, Colorado, Susan (Jeff) Felder of Oelwein, and Kenny Lechtenberg of North Washington; many nieces and nephews; and beloved dog, Bailey.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his parents-in-law, Gordon and Betty Ruroden; grandson, Ty Pavelec; siblings, Cheryl Lechtenberg, Rance Burgart, Joseph in infancy; and dog, Sassy.

Denise Holcomb, 59

Denise Holcomb, age 59 of New Hampton, died Monday, Aug. 7, 2023, at her home.

Services are pending at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton,

and for more information, you can call 641-394-4334.

Online condolences for Denise's family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Clarissa Sue Lechtenberg, 25

Clarissa Sue Lechtenberg, age 25 of New Hampton, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Aug. 6, 2023, at her home.

Funeral services are pending with Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New

Hampton, and for more information, call 641-394-4334.

Online condolences for the Lechtenberg family may be left at www.hugebackfunerahome.com.

Best Dam BBQ moving back to roots, will be held during fair

By Bob Fenske
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The Best Dam BBQ Challenge is returning to its roots — at least when it comes to when it's being held — this year.

The Big 4 Chamber of Commerce last week announced that the event — which has been held "on its own" the past three years — will take place during the annual Big 4 Fair, the annual Labor Day weekend extravaganza that kicks off its four-day run on Friday, Sept. 1 in Nashua.

The Best Dam BBQ, meanwhile, will take place on the fairgrounds — the westside fence line, to be exact — on Saturday, Sept. 2.

The BBQ was first held in 2017 and for the first three years, it was held in conjunction with the Big 4 Fair.

But when fair officials canceled the 2020 event because of the COVID-19 pandemic, Big 4 Chamber officials decided to go ahead and hold the event, and the past two years, the event was held later in September.

"We're excited about it, not that we didn't like doing



Tribune file photo

The Big 4 Chamber of Commerce's annual Best Dam BBQ Challenge will take place during the Big 4 Fair this year.

it our own," Big 4 Chamber of Commerce President Val Johnson said. "The big thing is that we're not tucked away in a corner. We're right by the entrance so people won't necessarily just have to go find us."

While the BBQ competitors will be at the fairgrounds for much of the day, they'll be serving food to the public, beginning at 4:30 p.m. with the "VIP BBQ" ticketholders. Those tickets are \$30 and include one rib and one wing

from each griller, advance entrance to the event and a vote for the event's People's Choice Award.

At 5:15, the a la carte portion of the BBQ begins, and tickets for that can be purchased the day of the event and are \$10 for three ribs.

The chamber, meanwhile, is working on securing sponsors for the event, and those interested can visit the organization's website at Big4Chamber.org.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Working on the new 'home'

Chickasaw County EMS employees work inside the garage last Tuesday at the ambulance service's new location. The service moved into the building at 504 E. Prospect St. that had been owned by Jeremy and Lacey McGrath the day before, but employees are still housed on a South Walnut Avenue rental home and will remain so until living quarters are added to the building.

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of Aug. 5

1948 (75 years ago)

• There have been complaints about poor fishing in the area heard from most everyone but not so with John Zipse, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Zipse.

He was fishing in the Wapsi River when he caught a five-pound catfish and was able to land it all by himself.

This is quite an accomplishment as the catfish can put up a good fight when caught as any fisherman can verify.

• On Sale at Ferkin Super Valu Food Store: Ice Cream, 19 cents per pt.; Red Rooster Coffee, 3 lb. bag, \$1.15; Ritz Crackers, 29 cents per box; Lean Ground Beef, 59 cents per lb.; Carrots, 2 bunches, 21 cents; Mason Old Fashion Root Beer, case of 24s, 94 cents; Cambell's Tomato Soup, 3 for 29 cents.

1973 (50 years ago)

• A recent newcomer to New Hampton's business scene is Walter G. Murphy, who has purchased the G.T. Murphy abstract firm from his father and took over the business August 1.

Walter (Wally) is a native of New Hampton and a 1959 New Hampton High School graduate. He and his wife, Glenda, have two sons, Mark, 7 and Kevin, 2.

• Three members of New Hampton Boy Scout Troop 258 have achieved the coveted rank of Eagle Scout.

The Eagle Court of Honor for Matthew Brown, Gregory Budweg and Alex Wilhelms is scheduled to be held at Mikkelsen Park, New Hampton. Troop 248 was organized in January of 1968.

1998 (25 years ago)

• Two Fredericksburg High senior athletes, who capped stellar careers as multi-sport athletes for the Falcons, have committed to extend their competitive participation on the collegiate level.

Joe Bormann and Brianne Schoonover will enroll at Wartburg College in Waverly this fall. The two stamped their prep activities with what might have been termed as a "fitting climax" when each starred in the annual Dr. Pepper Basketball All-Star Games played this summer. Bormann scored 15 points in the boys game. Miss Schoonover tallied 20 points in the girls tilt and was named to the five-player, all-tournament team.

• Talk of a Chickasaw Recreational Trail has come and gone but due to recent efforts by Phil Zwanziger and Jan Pacovsky, there appears to be more progress and plans.

The two have been securing information from the DNR and other agencies, have mapped a proposed route.

Grants are available with matching funds once a route has been established, approved and a cost estimate secured. All must be approved by the city and county governments.

2013 (10 years ago)

• New Hampton FFA member Nolan Webster traveled to Washington D.C. this summer to represent New Hampton at a leadership conference.

Webster traveled to Washington in a charter bus along with about 100 other FFA students from all around Iowa. During the five-day event attendees learn how to become effective leaders by teaching them to know their purpose, value people and take action and serve others.

• New Hampton recently welcomed Main Street Iowa window display and visual merchandising consultant Anna Buhmeyer into the community.

She consulted with many downtown businesses on how to utilize their window and shop space to the fullest. Buhmeyer is visiting 14 out of 49 Main Street Iowa communities.

2018 (5 years ago)

• There have been a lot of changes at Garnant Park. Three years ago, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources began restoring the pond that is the cornerstone of Garnant. It conducted a fish kill and restocked it with bass, bluegill and channel catfish.

Since then, the first phase of the TRIBE Trail, which runs through the park has opened, a foot golf course has been added and a beach has been installed. The Lions Club built a fishing dock and Mick and Bonnie Gage donated a fountain for the pond. The latest addition are two new smaller picnic shelters.

• New Hampton has a new police chief. Almost as soon as he learned that Mike Anderson would be retiring after 32 years, Zach Nobsch was interested in applying for the job. He now has it after Mayor Deb Larsen appointed the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office deputy to the position and the City Council approved his salary.

After interviewing a number of candidates, the committee unanimously chose Nobsch as the city's next chief.

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Pageant coordinator Erin Phillips (left) poses for a picture with Little Mr. Ionia Kashton Holthaus and Little Miss Ionia Artie Maddox Friday night, Tristan Sweitzer (above) gets ready to hit a pitch delivered by his brother, Anthony, and longtime Ionia Mayor David Swenumson (right) drives Ionia's first-ever fire truck during the Fun Days Parade.



Committee does ‘nice job’ with Fun Days



Candy pours off a conveyor belt that is part of the Rausch Bros. Trucking entry in the Ionia Fun Days Parade.



Folks (above) check out the Fun Days car show Saturday afternoon while earlier in the day, Jaclynn Bailey and Drayton Horn (right) ride in the parade.



FUN DAYS: FROM 1

Taylor really didn't need to finish the sentence, for his work, at least on this day, was complete. He had announced all the parade entrants, having some fun with many with a little good-natured grief, but as the "candytruck" made its final pass, he talked about what he called a "nice, simple" celebration that his town holds each year.

"We've got a good committee and they do a nice job every year," Taylor said.

And 2023 was no exception as the two-day celebration began on Friday with the crowning of Little Mr. Ionia Kashton Holthaus and Little Miss Ionia Artie Maddox and a family movie night at the Ionia Public Library.

Saturday's activities included not only the parade but a softball tournament, kids activities, a car show, a Farmers Market and a street dance with the band Six Pack Jack.

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Homeland Energy Solutions, LLC, an ethanol production facility located in Lawler IA is currently accepting applications for an Industrial Electrical & Instrumentation Maintenance Technician. Safety oriented, motivated and energetic self-starter to be part of the Maintenance team.

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Sound advice: Don't skip appointments

It's been a long cancer journey for New Hampton dentist, but she's grateful for the support of family and friends

By **BOB FENSKÉ**
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Barb Boeding has always been a big believer in preventative medical care; in other words, she's passionate about annual check-ups, routine screenings and trying to live a healthy lifestyle.

"It's not just breast cancer. It can be any kind of cancer, it can be an illness," she said, "It's easy to say I don't need this or I don't need that but it's important to do your screenings, to go to your appointments and do it when you're supposed to."

The longtime New Hampton dentist knows firsthand how important annual appointments are. She was put on a journey this past year she hopes no one has to endure.

Her story begins with a routine mammogram — one that came back "clean." Despite this, unfortunately, a small lump was found during a physical exam. That small lump on her breast concerned her doctor enough that the lump was biopsied, and when the results came back, Boeding faced the news she had cancer.

"I was a little surprised, I mean I had a clean, a normal if you will, scan," she said, "and then it just becomes like a whirlwind. You get set up with an oncologist, a radiologist, you meet the surgeon. It's a lot to take in and it happens in a really short amount of time."

Her journey was just beginning, but this story isn't so much about all she's endured — the three phases of treatment, the side effects and the countless trips to and from the Mayo Clinic — but it's about how family and friends walked side-by-side with her during a trying year.

Dr. Barb will tell you she's a private person, yet she is sharing her story because maybe, just maybe, it will help someone who one day may walk the same path she is on today.

It hasn't always been an easy path for her — especially early on when she learned her type of cancer was classified as a "triple-negative," the most aggressive type of breast cancer — but she, with the help of those who love her the most, has remained for the most part upbeat and positive.

"There are days, I will admit that," she said with a smile, "but when I found out, I realized you play with the cards you were dealt with. ... As hard as it was to hear, I also was grateful that it wasn't my girls, it wasn't my mother."

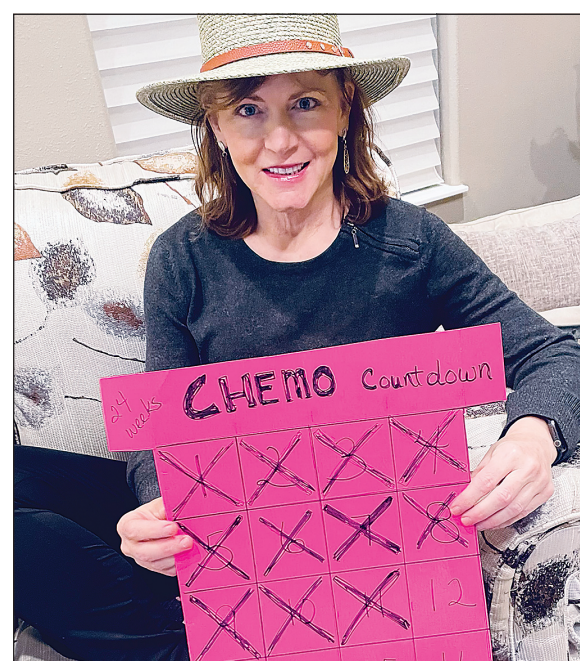
Her treatment began with six months of chemotherapy that led up to surgery that was followed by six more months of immunotherapy, which she is currently undergoing.

Boeding has had a strong support team — her husband, Dave; her adult children, Kiley, Kara and Drew; her mom, Mary Kay Carr; her work family; and her friends. And then there are the three grandchildren — ages 4, 2 and 1 — who brighten her Nana's day every single time they are together.

"I don't know where I'd be without them," Boeding said. "Dave, my mom, the kids, my siblings ... everyone really has been so supportive and so kind. I think one of the things I've really come to realize in this last year is that there are a lot of kind



Photos courtesy of Barb Boeding
Barb Boeding posed for a picture with the three children who call her "Nana," and they, along with many others, have inspired her during her battle against breast cancer.



people in the world."
She concedes that she "didn't realize what a mental game cancer is," yet at the same time, Boeding appreciates more than ever the "little things" that brighten her day.

"It's the text that asks 'how's your day going' or the card that I got yesterday," she said. "So many people have lifted me up, and when I'm going through a tough day, I just can't explain how powerful that is."

Asked about the advice she would dispense, and she had a couple of answers.

"Go get your mammogram, go get your colonoscopy, go to your appointments, because it can be the difference between catching it early or the alternative," she said, "and the alternative is not the option."

Over her long career as a dentist — she started what is now Boeding, Speltz and Wernimont Family Dentistry in 1990 — she saw the effects of putting off dental treatment. "It is kind of like coming to the dentist when the cavity is huge instead of coming to the dentist when it's just a small hole."

Her second piece of advice is in essence a two-parter, if you will.

"Control what you can control," she said, "and with cancer, it's important to know what those things are because a lot of it is, I guess the best way to put it, uncontrollable."

She paused for a moment and smiled.
"And one way to do that is to surround yourself with the people you care," she said. "Trust me, those people have helped me so much as I go through this. They are my heroes."

Relay for Life traces its roots back to one man who circled a track in 1985

The Global Relay For Life movement started because of one person.

In May 1985, Dr. Gordon "Gordy" Klatt walked and ran for 24 hours around a track in Tacoma, Washington, raising money to help the American Cancer Society with the nation's biggest health concern: cancer.

Friends, family, and patients watched and supported him as he walked and ran more than 83.6 miles and raised \$27,000 through pledges to help save lives from cancer. As he circled the track, he thought of how

he could get others to take part. He envisioned having teams participate in a 24-hour fundraising event. The next year, 19 teams were part of the first Relay For Life event at the historical Stadium Bowl and raised \$33,000.

Dr. Gordy's vision grew throughout the United States becoming the American Cancer Society's premier fundraising event.

In only 10 years, Relay For Life started receiving attention across the world and the Global Relay For Life movement began. In 1997, the United

Kingdom held the first ever Global Relay For Life in Portsmouth UK, supporting Cancer Research UK.

The Global Relay For Life movement now unites 32 partnering countries in one shared mission: to find a cure for cancer and support patients and their families through their journey.

Global Relay For Life also gives cancer organizations around the world a platform to increase their visibility and generate cancer awareness within their country. The movement continues to grow and unite more

countries as the fight against cancer rages on.

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During the Little Brown Church's annual Marriage Reunion this past weekend, Nashua residents Shelly and Robin Weiss (above) renew their vows and share a moment in prayer (below) with their son, Dustin, a standout singer who provided entertainment at the event.

This couple reminds us 'why we Relay'

There are days in this business that you just dread, and one of those took place on a beautiful sunny July morning back in 2020.

I woke that morning, knowing that Robin and Shelly Weiss were coming to the Tribune office, and as much as I love them — Shelly

worked for us at the Nashua Reporter and Robin never tired of giving me good-natured grief at ballgames — I didn't want to do the

story on the battle Robin was just starting to fight.

He had been diagnosed with Grade IV Glioblastoma, an extremely aggressive type of cancer that occurs in the brain or spinal cord. The average life expectancy for those stricken with Glioblastoma is 12 to 18 months. Just 25 percent survive more than a year. A mere 5 percent survive for more than five years.

As I prepared for the inter-

view that morning for the story that would tell Robin's tale and hopefully hype an upcoming benefit for him and his family, I figured it would be a somber affair.

I Was. Wrong.
We talked for more than 90 minutes, and for at least half of that time, I laughed. I mean I belly laughed.

Fast forward more than three years to this past Sunday, when I covered the Marriage Reunion at the Little Brown Church. The "headline entertainer," if you will, was Dustin Weiss, the son of Robin and Shelly.

When I saw him enter the little "Church in the Wildwood," I quickly got up from my seat to say hi.

"How's your dad?"
"Ask him, he's coming in behind me," Dustin said with a smile, "and I'm sure he'll give you a little crap if you're up for it."

And suddenly, there was Robin and Shelly, and I just wanted to cry — not sad tears because Robin was in a wheelchair but happy tears because he was here.

Back in 2020, he told me he was ready for the fight of his life.

"Well, you know me," Robin said with a quick smile during

our interview, "I never go half-speed at anything so right out of the chute, I was a Grade IV. It just makes it a little bit more challenging. That's all."

If I doubted him back then, his presence at the reunion reminded me I was wrong.

After the ceremony in which he and Shelly joined dozens of other couples in renewing their vows, we talked as he ate and his son sang.

And the inspiration he gave me three years ago grew ten-fold.

It's been tough, don't get me wrong. He's endured surgeries, treatments and so many scares, yet he's the same old Robin Weiss I first met when I was covering his daughter, Dallas, a standout

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Nashua native Dustin Weiss (above) sings “Believe” during the worship service at the Little Brown Church’s Marriage Reunion, where Pastor Drew McHolm (right) delivers his sermon that centered on the three “C’s” — clarity, commitment and compassion — of marriage.



Rain doesn’t dampen spirits at Little Brown Church event

REUNION: FROM 1

41 years together by attending their first-ever Marriage Reunion.

And after the worship service, a family that has been such a large part of the Little Brown Church for so long gathered to dedicate the new Maryls Sinnwell Wedding Garden, the latest addition to a church where more than 77,000 couples have said “I do.”

It may not have been perfect; after all, it did rain but as virtually every Little Brown Church member put it, “we need it.” And the less-than-ideal weather allowed McHolm to bring another of his staples — humor — to the service.

He talked about how he had prayed for good weather for the biggest event of the annual church calendar, but “God loves farmers more than pastors.”

BUT THE RAIN couldn’t put a damper on the event. Couples not only filled the small sanctuary but also were a part of the service via close-circuit televisions in the church basement and in the tents set up on the church grounds.

McHolm’s sermon was centered on how couples can keep “things fresh” and his suggestion was to always focus on the three C’s — clarity, commitment and compassion.

He pointed out that any relationship will involve confrontation, but he added that “confrontation is a huge part of relationships because confrontation that is done properly brings — guess what? — clarity.”

McHolm used his own marriage to talk about the two “buttons” couples have access to — the blessing one and the destructive one — and that even with his own wife, Jesse Boatright, it’s a learning process.

“Crumbs on the counter, who knew? I found out that’s a big thing,” he said before repeating himself. “Who knew?”

Boatright, from her pew, had a quick answer.

“Not you,” as the church erupted in laughter.

The lesson, though, is that clear communication brings clarity to a marriage.

When it comes to commitment, McHolm’s message centered on trust.

“Trust is real easy to develop,” he said, “and that is to make some promises and keep them. The simple ones, as well as the big ones.”

Finally, he touched on compassion, which may sound simple but really isn’t.

“There are only two ways to wake up in the morning,” he said. “One is you wake up, ‘Good morning, Lord’ but the next day you wake up and go, ‘Good lord, it’s morning.’ ... We’ve got to learn to have compassion ... and sometimes, it’s most difficult to do with the people we love the most. ... It’s why we have to ask God every day to clothe us in compassion.”

FOR COUPLES WHO attended this year’s reunion, the words spoken by the Little Brown Church pastor resonated.

“We were really drawn to the history of this place, this church,” said Quintin Becker, “but we couldn’t have asked for a better pastor. What he said

this morning, that was really impactful to us.”

To the Beckers’ right sat Doug and Rena Cling, who were married at the Little Brown Church in July 2018, just 10 days before McHolm became the full-time pastor, but they returned in 2019 for the Marriage Reunion and were back in the church on Sunday.

“We live in Urbandale,” Doug said, “but I can tell you if it wasn’t 2 1/2 hours away, we’d be here every Sunday. What I appreciate not just about Drew but really this whole church is the value it puts on marriage.”

His wife smiled as her husband talked, but she took his thoughts a step further.

“It’s just so real, too,” she said. “Every time we come here, we get something that makes our marriage even stronger. It’s not just because we were married here, it’s because this little church understands that everything isn’t always perfect, it takes work.”

YEAR AFTER YEAR, though, the reunion may be highlighted by the worship service and vow renewals but



The family of the late Marlys Sinnwell (above) gather for a photo after the dedication of an outdoor wedding garden at the Little Brown Church a couple of hours after Doug and Rena Cling (below) renewed their vows during the annual Marriage Reunion.

it also always includes plenty of entertainment, awards and, well, just good old-fashioned fellowship.

The 2023 reunion was no exception as Weiss, a headlining singer for years on cruise lines throughout the world, performed, as did McHolm and Boatright, aka Drew and Jesse.

But in between the food, the entertainment and the like, the Little Brown Church dedicated its new wedding garden in

memory of Marlys Sinnwell, the longtime secretary at the church who both McHolm and Boatright said was great comfort to them when they came to the church five years ago.

“There was only one Marlys, and God blessed us by having her here when we got here,” McHolm said, and after both he and his wife shared some great

“Marlys stories,” they turned over the honors to her husband to cut the ribbon opening a new “venue” for Little Brown Church marriages.

“It’s been a good day,” the pastor’s wife said as the Sinnwell family posed for pictures in the garden. “Then again, they’re all good days when it comes to our little reunion.”



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Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from July 26, 2023 with corrections. Roll Call: Ayes: Cervinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Kuhn. Abstained: Hackman. Motion carried. No public comment. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cervinske to acknowledge the retirement of Jane Wolf, part-time public health nurse effective September 29, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes: Hackman, Cervinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Kuhn. Motion carried. Discussion with Engineer Roman Lensing on department updates. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve and authorize Chairperson Kuhn's signature on agreement for Iowa DOT initiated detour of primary highways on local roads for bridge replacement project on US Highway 18 (Section 11 T95N, R14W). Roll Call: Ayes: Hackman, Cervinske, Suckow, Breitbach, Kuhn. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve and sign RESOLUTION 07-31-23-63 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF PARCELS 2023-14, 15, 16, 17 IN WOODLAND ESTATES	OF SECTION 8, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 95 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA. WHEREAS, ON THE 17th DAY OF JULY, 2023, the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council of New Hampton, Iowa met at a regular meeting and approved the final plat of Parcels 2023-14, 15, 16 and 17 all in Woodland Estates of Section 8, all in Township 95 North, Range 12 West of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, ON THE 31st DAY of July, 2023 at a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of PARCELS 2023-14, 15, 16 AND 17 IN WOODLAND ESTATES OF SECTION 8, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 95 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST OF THE 5 TH P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA was presented. WHEREAS, the minor subdivision plat of PARCELS 2023-14, 15, 16 AND 17 IN WOODLAND ESTATES OF SECTION 8, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 95 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST OF THE 5 TH P.M., CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA. Has now been considered and should be approved. NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa that said Minor Subdivision Plat be approved, accepted and the Chairman is hereby directed to certify this Resolution of Approval. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 31ST DAY OF JULY 2023. Roll Call: Ayes: Cervinske, Suckow, Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried. / ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chairman, / ss/Attest: Donna Geerts, Deputy Auditor. The full text of the resolution can be obtained at the Auditor's Office or online on county's website https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov under Departments, Board of Supervisors, Resolutions. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve and sign RESOLUTION 07-31-23-64 AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 12-05-22-70 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION-CHICKASAW COUNTY. RESOLVED, that the CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CHICKASAW COUNTY, Iowa, approves the following list of financial Institutions to be depositories of the COUNTY OF CHICKASAW funds in conformance with all applicable provisions of Iowa Code 12C. THE CHICKASAW COUNTY TREASURER is hereby authorized to deposit	the CHICKASAW COUNTY funds in amounts not to exceed the maximum approved for each respective financial Institution as set out below. 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DEPOSITORY NAME LOCATION MAXIMUM BALANCE State Bank/becomes New Hampton Fidelity Bank & Trust, August 19, 2019 (County Auditor) \$ 75,000.00 State Bank/becomes New Hampton Fidelity Bank Trust, August 19, 2019 (County Sheriff) \$ 250,000.00 Luana Savings Bank New Hampton \$ 100,000.00 (County Recorder) CERTIFICATION, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the Chickasaw County Depositories adopted at a meeting of the said public body, quorum being present, as said resolution remains of record in the minutes of said meeting, and it is now in full force and effect. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 31ST DAY OF JULY 2023. Roll Call: Ayes: Cervinske, Suckow, Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion carried. / ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chairman, / ss/Attest: Donna Geerts, Deputy Auditor. The full text of the resolution can be obtained at the Auditor's Office or online on county's website https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov under Departments, Board of Supervisors, Resolutions. Recorder Shirley Troyna discussed

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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JANET I. SHERIDAN, Deceased. Probate No. ESPR 003131 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To all persons interested in the estate of Janet I. Sheridan, deceased, who died on or about June 7, 2023: You are hereby notified that on July 24, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of Janet I. Sheridan, deceased, bearing the date of September 27, 2013, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Ryan P. Sheridan was appointed as 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 the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and	devises 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 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: July 27, 2023 Ryan P. Sheridan, Executor, 860 Highland St., Denver, IA 50622 Donald L. Johnson, Shuttleworth & Ingersoll, P.L.C., 115 Third Street S.E., Suite 500, P.O. Box 2107, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406-2107 ATTORNEYS FOR EXECUTORS. Date of Second Publication: August 10th, 2023.

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Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR 19-CHICKASAW COUNTY STATE OF IOWA 19-CHICKASAW COUNTY Iowa District Court 19-Chickasaw County Case#: EQCV004411 Civil #: 23-000259 FIRST SECURITY BANK & TRUST COMPANY vs BRIAN D. CARD, DECEASED; SPOUSE OF BRIAN D CARD, IF ANY; ANY UNKNOWN PERSONS WITH AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF BRIAN D CARD; PARTIES IN POSSESSION, IF ANY; AND STATE OF IOWA Special Execution As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant (s) Real Estate, Described Below To satisfy the judgment. The Property to be sold is LOTS FIVE (5) AND SIX (6), BLOCK THREE (3), COLER'S SEC-	OND ADDITION TO NASHUA, IOWA Property Address: 1018 S MAIN STREET, NASHUA IA 50659 The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows: Sale Date Sale Time Place of Sale 08/24/2023 13:00 CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE LOBBY, 116 N CHESTNUT, NEW HAMPTON, IA 50659 This sale not subject to Redemption. Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt. Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if acceptable. Judgment Amount, \$28,285.96 Costs, \$1,196.36 Accruing Costs, PLUS Interest, \$ 874.59 Sheriff's Fees, Pending Date 07/12/2023 RYAN SHAWVER CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF Attorney 200 N JOHNSON ST, CHARLES CITY, IA 50616, (641)228-4533 No.23144 08/10/23 08/10/23

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LESLIE LYNN KELLOGG, Deceased, CASE NO. ESPR003132 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Leslie Lynn Kellogg, Deceased, who died on or about July 19, 2023: You are hereby notified that on August 4, 2023 the Last Will and Testament of Leslie Lynn Kellogg, deceased, bearing date of July 7, 2023, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Cynthia Louise Kellogg 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 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 August 6, 2023. Cynthia Louise Kellogg, Executor of Estate, 501 N. Center St., Ionia, IA 50645 Kevin J. Kennedy, ICIS#: AT0004198, Attorney for Executor, Kennedy & Kennedy, 12 E. Main St., PO Box 406, New Hampton, IA 50659 Date of second publication 08/17/23 Probate Code Section 304 No.23189 08/10/23 08/17/23

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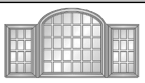
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Three years in, Robin Weiss still writing inspiring story

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athlete at Nashua-Plainfield High School.

"I think I told you a few years ago that I'm going to enjoy every single day I have left," he said, "and for the most part, that's what I've tried to do. I'm not saying some days don't suck, but you know what? I've got a lot to be thankful for. I wouldn't wish this on my worst enemy, but with Shelly, the kids, the friends we have ... man, I'm a lucky guy."

He admitted that he's not made for a wheelchair; after all, Weiss was a standout athlete in high school, and he never really lost his youthful vigor. Heck, he was still at his high school playing weight in his 50s, and as Shelly put in 2020, "Sometimes you just smack him for that."

Despite the wheelchair and despite the hardships he has faced in recent years, on Sunday, I realized that he hadn't changed much.

He still flipped me grief, he still laughed at my lame jokes, he still had that lively banter that he had in the Tribune office three summers ago.

Just once during our conversation did he get a little

emotional and that came when I asked him about the vow renewal ceremony that had taken place just an hour or so before.

"Shelly and I have been together for 41 years," he said, "and I wasn't sure what to expect this morning. We've always talked about coming out here and doing this, but until today, we just haven't gotten it done. Dustin coming back, that obviously was a push."

He paused for a moment and smiled.

"And I'm so glad we did," he said. "I'm not going to lie, it was a lot more emotional than I thought it would be. Ask Shelly, we've been through a lot, but this, this has made us stronger than ever."

As we get ready to "Relay" this weekend at the Chickasaw County Relay for Life, many of us are asked "why we Relay?"

I've relayed in the past for my dad, who died from lung cancer, and for my mom, who passed away just days after finding out she had colon cancer.

But this year, I will relay for Robin Weiss, who even in a wheelchair, has an attitude, just like he did three years ago, that is simply inspiring.



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Get ready to travel back in time!

The Northeast Iowa Antique Engine and Tractor Show returns this weekend to Pioneer Power Acres just outside of Fredericksburg as it kicks off its two-day run on Saturday, when gates open at 7 a.m.

The event will include outdoor activities and demonstrations — including grain threshing, straw baling, corn shelling and more, and it will also include a flea market both days.

Among the special events on Saturday are a draft horse demonstration at 10 a.m., bluegrass music from noon to 2:30 p.m. and a tractor pull that commences at 4 p.m.

The show continues Sunday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and there will be a sanctioned kids pedal pull at 1 p.m., bluegrass music at noon and 2 p.m. and the raffle drawings at 2 p.m.

Admission to the event is \$5 and the food stand will be open on the grounds both days.

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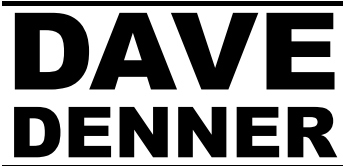
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New Hampton senior to play at Wartburg

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leap forward this summer.

"I look at it as just an investment," he said. "You have to put countless hours into it every single day. ... From the time baseball ended to the start of the season, I hit every single day. I knew if I wanted to get better, I had to put the time in."

His coach, meanwhile, lauded Meyers' perseverance this past season.

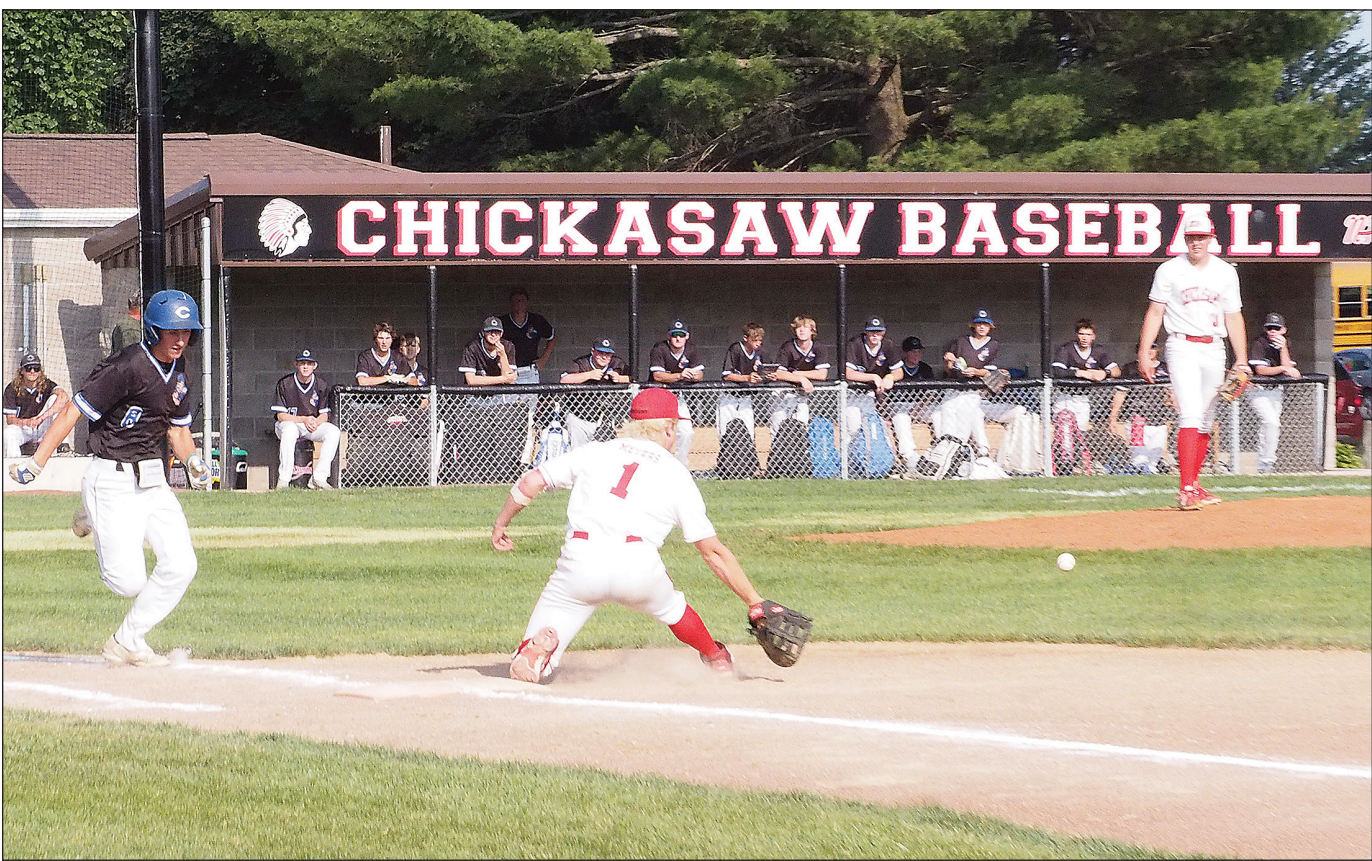
"Kael's story is an inspiring example to younger Chickasaws. No one put more time and energy during the off-season preparing for this season than Kael," McDonald said. "Kael eats, sleeps and breathes baseball. So when he tore his UCL pitching in Week 1, it would have been a legitimate reason for devastating self-pity for most high school athletes. But not Kael."

And McDonald "called it" when it came to Meyers making the all-state team.

"After that game when I was almost certain it was a torn UCL, I told Kael, 'Well, I guess you are going to be all-state at first base instead of on the mound or in the outfield,'" McDonald said. "And that is exactly what he set out to do. But what makes Kael special is that he brings his teammates along with him and elevates them by reaching out to them for extra reps, sharing knowledge and making the game fun."

SHEKLETON HELPED fill the gap created when Meyers was unable to take the mound and clearly became the ace of the New Hampton staff. The senior went 8-0, had one save and posted a 1.31 earned-run average while striking out 57 in 53 1/3 innings on the mound.

It was a remarkable turnaround from his junior year when he pitched in nine games, went 1-2 and had a very pedes-



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

With pitcher Gannon Shekleton watching, New Hampton first baseman Kael Meyers gets ready to come up with a nice "pick" to record an out in a game against Crestwood.

trian ERA of 4.54.

"I think a lot of it, honestly, was just maturity," Shekleton said. "I learned that if I gave up a hit or a run, that I just had to move on, get the next guy. I'm not saying I wasn't a better pitcher this year, but I think a lot of the success I had was because I was way better mentally this year than I was last year."

"Gannon's journey towards a record-setting, all-state senior season should be in a book entitled 'Stick With It!' and be required reading for all younger Chickasaw baseball players," said McDonald, who said he appreciated the fact that Shekleton was patient as his baseball career developed.

"Gannon would be the first to say that his baseball journey wasn't easy. He had to improve and waited until his junior year to start varsity. And then after

struggling with control issues as a junior on the mound, Gannon had to wait until his senior year to be in the varsity pitching rotation."

Once he landed in the rotation, though, he became a mainstay — becoming the first Chickasaw in school history with at least eight wins to have an undefeated season on the mound.

Shekleton was the winning pitcher in more than half of the Chickasaws' Northeast Iowa Conference victories. He ended the NEIC season with a 7-0 mark and a miniscule 0.73 ERA, and he beat every NEIC ace pitcher.

"I didn't really think about it," he was asked about squaring off against the conference's top pitchers. "Seriously, I didn't. You have to have the same mindset no matter who's pitching for the other team."

WHILE MEYERS WILL return for another season with the Chickasaws — if all goes well, he should be 100 percent by April — in 2024, Shekleton is heading to Waverly, where he will attend Wartburg College and play baseball for the Knights.

Although he's excited for the opportunity at Wartburg — where his uncle, Chris Winter, is the head football coach — he will miss his Chickasaw teammates.

"It was a lot of fun," he said, "and the only thing we'd like back is that last game. The state tournament was our goal, and as much as I wanted to make all-state — it was one of my goals this year — I'd give it back if it meant we got to play at state."

Ditto for Meyers. "I'd agree with that," he said. "I 100 percent agree with that."

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY, AUG. 17

New Hampton Meet the Team night, volleyball at 5 p.m., cross country players introduced at 5:45 p.m.

FRIDAY,

AUG. 18

New Hampton football scrimmage at Decorah, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUG. 19

New Hampton volleyball scrimmage at Union, 8 a.m.

TUESDAY, AUG. 22

New Hampton JV/varsity volleyball at Jesup, 5 p.m.

Turkey Valley cross country at Edgewood-Colesburg, Woods Edge Golf Course, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 24

New Hampton JV/varsity volleyball vs. Charles City and Denver 4:30 p.m.

New Hampton cross country at Charles City Wildwood Golf Course, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUG. 25

New Hampton football vs. Denver, 9th at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUG. 26

Turkey Valley football vs. Coon Rapids, Bayard at Valley Stadium football field, West Des Moines, 3 p.m.

MONDAY, AUG. 28

New Hampton varsity volleyball vs. Turkey Valley and MFL, at Turkey Valley, 5 p.m.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Getting closer to making Kindness Square a reality

Workers (above) place the footings for the new restroom that will be near a shelter house in Runion Park, where the new Kindness Square playground equipment (right) has arrived and will soon be installed.

New Hampton Parks and Recreation Director Tara Hackman said that if all goes well, the new park will open sometime in early October.

The playground equipment for the \$500,000 project was delivered this past Friday and Hackman said her department, along with the Kindness Square Committee, appreciates all the support the handicap-accessible park has received.

"From the money that has been donated to the people who have helped with everything," she said, "it's just been a great example of what happens when a community comes together."



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Briefs

New Hampton pool announces hours for final week of season

All good things must come to an end, and the swimming season at the New Hampton Municipal Pool is no exception.

The New Hampton Parks and Department has set the "closing week" schedule for the popular summer hangout, which will close for the season on Friday, Aug. 18.

The pool will be closed this Sunday before wrapping up the season with five days of swimming next week, and the schedule is as follows:

- Monday, Aug. 14: Regular hours, adult swim from noon to 1:30 p.m. and open swim from 1:30 to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 15: Regular hours.
- Wednesday, Aug. 16: Open swim from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and no adult swim.
- Thursday, Aug. 17: Regular hours.
- Friday, Aug. 18: Open swim from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and no adult swim.

Holy Family Parish to hold 'in-person' Fall Festival Aug. 27

Holy Family Parish in New Hampton will hold its Fall Festival, with live music, drinks and food, kids games and bingo, on Sunday, Aug. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

And for the first time since 2019, it will be held "in-person" as music by Bruce Bearinger will enhance meals, serving from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., or until all is gone. Each meal — an authentic Mexican meal or a turkey tender or pork loin dinner and sides — will be served with dessert for a \$12 charge.

Kids games include inflatables, face painting, a balloon artist, kiddie tractor pull and more.

Rotary Club to hold annual computer recycling event Aug. 17

Need to get rid of that old computer that is gathering dust in one of your closets?

The New Hampton Rotary Club has just the thing for you as club members will host their annual computer recycling event on Thursday, Aug. 17, at the Carquest parking lot just off the intersection of Linn Avenue and Main Street.

Computers can be unloaded between 3 and 5 p.m. that day and Rotary Club members will be on hand to help load the computers inside the Goodwill truck that will be parked in the lot.

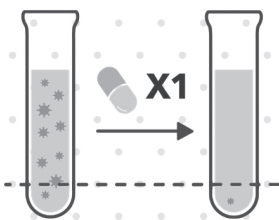
Farmers Market to be at park Saturday

The New Hampton Farmers Market will be open from 8 to 11 a.m. at Mikkelson Park this Saturday.

The market will also be open from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17, at its regular location near Riley's.

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New Hampton’s Kael Meyers (above) gets ready to round first base after smacking a hit to the outfield while teammate Gannon Shekleton (below) delivers a pitch to the plate in a game played at Charles City this season.

CHICKASAWS’ DAZZLING DUO

REMARKABLE STORIES WRITTEN BY MEYERS, SHEKLETON END WITH ALL-STATE SELECTIONS

By BOB FENSKE
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The 2023 season, in many ways, was a renaissance year for the New Hampton baseball team, and even more than a month after the last pitch was thrown, it remains so.

For the first time since 2019, the Chickasaws won 20-plus games, going 23-10. For the first time in four years, they broke into the Iowa Baseball Coaches Association rankings and finished the season as the ninth-ranked team in Class 2A.

And now, for the first time in six years, New Hampton has two all-state players as junior Kael Meyers was named to the Class 2A second team and Gannon Shekleton earned third-team honors last week when the Iowa Baseball Coaches Association released its all-state teams.

"I am so incredibly happy for these two boys," New Hampton coach Cory McDonald said. "They have remarkable stories."

It marked the first time the Chickasaws had a player on an all-state team since Hunter Pesek was selected as an outfielder on the coaches association's third team in 2020. It also is the first time the Chickasaws have had two players named to all-state teams since Noah Hopp was a first-team first baseman and Carter Stochl was a second-team pitcher in 2017.

Meyers led New Hampton in virtually every offensive statistical category — including batting average (.460), on-base



percentage (.617), slugging percentage (.724), runs (40), doubles (10), triples (2), home runs (3), RBIs (29), walks (26), hit by pitches (13) and stolen bases (24).

He also picked up a new position — first base — with relative ease as he made just three errors in 145 fielding chances.

MEYERS' SEASON took a dramatic turn back in May

when he suffered an arm injury — a torn ligament in his elbow — that kept him off the pitching mound for the remainder of the summer and led him into the operating room when the season was over as he underwent so-called "Tommy John surgery" to repair the damage to his elbow.

But the operation came after a brilliant season — both at the plate and in the field.

"It wasn't too hard to adapt to first base," he said, "It got me more excited actually. It was something new, it was a new challenge, you know?"

As good as a hitter as Meyers was — he had a .261 batting average on New Hampton's 2021 state tournament team and upped that mark to .333 as a sophomore — he took a giant

SEE ALL-STATE, 15

Shoot keeps the legacy of Al Baxter alive

Aug. 26 event at Fredericksburg Sportsmen's Club will raise money for scholarship fund

By BOB FENSKE
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Jo Baxter Myrsiades wheeled her grocery cart through Fareway Saturday evening and couldn't help but chuckle.

"It's 'shoot month' and that means I'm looking for deals for the food," she said.

She was talking about the 12th annual Al Baxter Scholarship Shoot that will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26, at the Fredericksburg Sportsmen's Club, an event that has become a rite of late summer and honors the memory of her late husband by raising money for the Fredericksburg Sportsmen's Club/Al Baxter Memorial Scholarship.

Baxter was a longtime Department of Natural Resources conservation officer for both Howard and Chickasaw counties before retiring in 2009, and his twin passions were education and trapshooting.

When he passed away at the age of 59 in 2010, his family began the "shoot" that bears his name, and over the years, the scholarship that bears Baxter's name has awarded more than \$29,500 in awards to members of the New Hampton trapshooting team.

"He loves shooting sports and saw the potential in this growing sport," Myrsiades said, "and I know Al would be so proud of what has happened with the sport over the years.

It's grown so much, and he'd love the fact that kids have a chance to compete in trapshooting. I know he's smiling every year when he sees how much that state meet has grown."

She pointed out that when New Hampton started its trapshooting program in 2006, the state meet in Cedar Falls hosted about 250 participants at a one-day meet, and that this past June, Cedar Falls was home to more than 3,500 shooters for a week of state meet shooting.

"They threw 828,000 targets at that event," she said, "and it was because guys like Al really believed in giving kids a chance to compete in shooting sports."

The Aug. 26 shoot will start at noon and competitions include a 50-target derby, a kids shoot and shooting games for meat prizes.

A freewill donation lunch will be served, and raffle tickets — prizes include two guns and 90 other prizes — will also be sold at the event that is scheduled to kick off at noon.

"We try to be done by 4 p.m. but it all depends on how many shooters we have," Myrsiades said, "but even if you're not a shooter, we'd love to see you. Come out for some lunch, buy some raffle tickets, watch some awesome shooting and enjoy our scholarship. ... It's always a really fun day and it's a great way to remember Al and support a cause that was really important to him."



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Tanner Njus, shown here at the 2023 state trapshooting meet, joined teammates Daniel Orthaus and Joshua Scott as this year's winners of the Fredericksburg Sportsmen's/Al Baxter Memorial Scholarship, which is funded in large part by the Al Baxter Scholarship Shoot that will be held on Aug. 26.

We're just a week away!

New Hampton volleyball player Ava Leichtman receives a serve while Chickasaw football player Ethan Swehla takes part in a drill during their teams' respective camps last week, and with the official start of practice this past Monday, fall sports are off and running.

The Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club will hold its annual "Check Out the Chickasaw" Night on Thursday, Aug. 17, which will include football practice from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., volleyball scrimmages and introduction of team members from 5 to 6 p.m. and the introduction of the cross country, cheerleading and football squads at 6:30 p.m.

The Booster Club will also hold its 30th annual pre-game Lynch's BBQ



meal from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Tickets for the meal are \$7 and available from any

Chickasaw student-athlete.

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