

East Main Street to be closed until at least Monday

City expands scope of project after learning how much it costs to detour street that also is a state highway

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A busy roadway in New Hampton will be closed through the weekend after the city's Public Works Department increased the scope of a project because of the cost that goes into detouring a state highway.

The closure of East Main Street from North Pleasant Hill Avenue to Mikkelsen Park went into effect on Monday and Public Works Director Casey Mai said if all goes well, the road should be open by this coming Monday.

Mai said the city originally planned to close the road to replace a deteriorating manhole near the park, but when New Hampton officials learned the costs the city would incur to set up a detour for the street, which is also Iowa Highway 24, they decided to check out other manholes in the area.

"When we got the quote back from two different companies — one was \$14,500 and the other was like 10 grand," Mai said, "we thought we'd see if any other manholes in that stretch had issues. If we're going to spend that kind of money, we're going to, you know, get our money's worth."

Mai said that in addition to the original manhole,



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Road closed signs are up at the intersection of East Main Street and North Pleasant Hill Avenue in New Hampton and will be so until at least early next week.

Public Works employees found three others that needed to be replaced.

"It's been kind of a crazy week, but if everything goes well — and you know how that goes with the weather or finding

said the Public Works director, who added that residents and businesses in the area are also doing work ranging from new curb and gutter and putting in new driveways.

"Once we get through this, it's not only going to be really good for the city but that little

stretch of road will have a nice new look, too."

Asked about access to Mikkelsen Park, Mai said residents can use Spring Street and added that those leaving the park can use the park's main entrance if they're heading east out of the city.

Farmer's Market coupons available for senior citizens

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program provides qualified older adults over 60 with coupons (checks) to use at farmers markets

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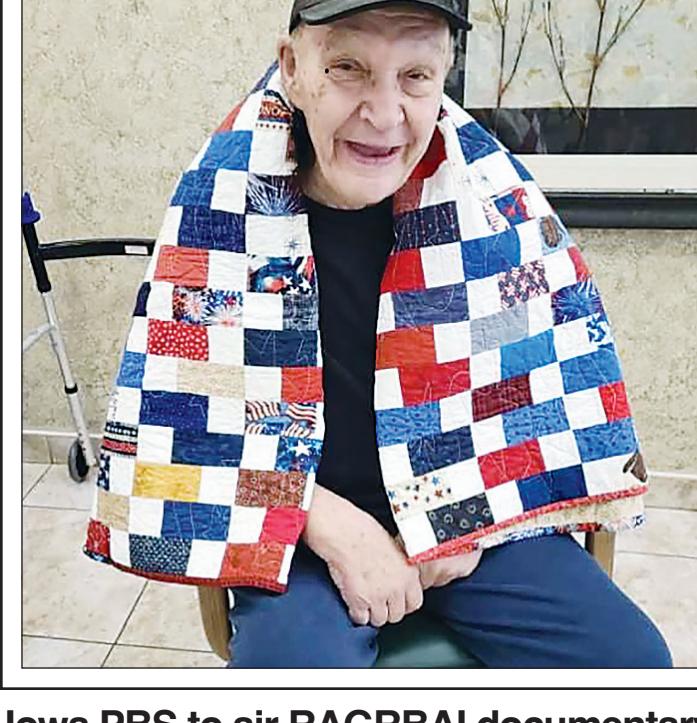
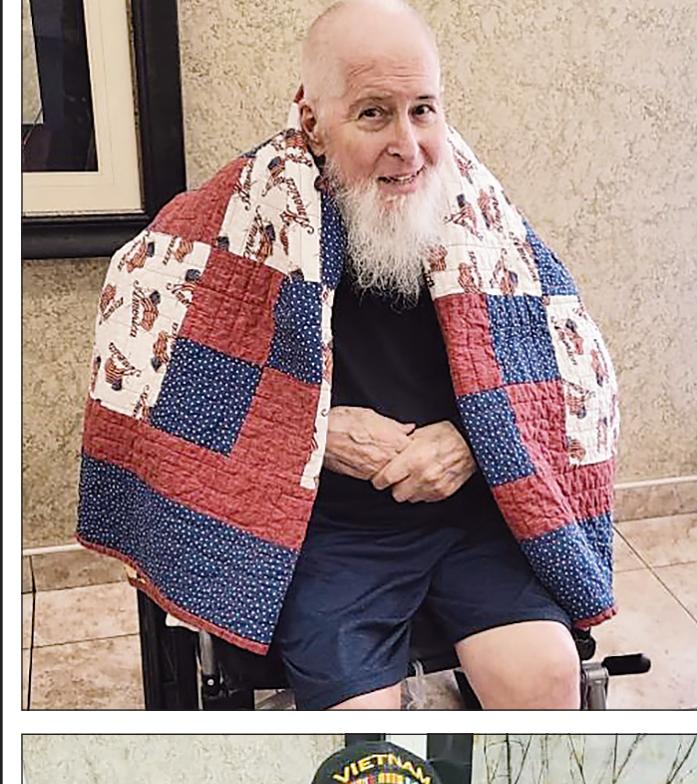
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Honoring our veterans

The day before the Quilt of Valor Freedom Strippers chapter held its latest presentation ceremony last month, members awarded quilts to three area veterans — (from top to bottom) Larry Coen, Raymond Burke and Francis L. Fisher — at New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation. Chapter members are also reminding residents who are veterans or know veterans who have not received a Quilt of Valor to contact them.



Iowa PBS to air RAGBRAI documentary

Iowa PBS, in conjunction with The Des Moines Register, will air "Shift: The RAGBRAI Documentary" on Tuesday, July 25, at 7 p.m. and on Sunday, July 30, at 1 p.m.

"As an Iowan, I am excited to show Shift on Iowa PBS and have a broader audience view our documentary. It will be exciting to see it on a channel I grew up watching," said Kelsey Kremer, co-director of the film.

The Register's documentary follows the stories of three riders and two community leaders from a host town as the riders embark on the week-long journey across Iowa. The documentary looks into the life-changing experience that riders have.

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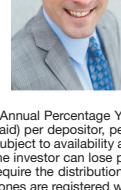
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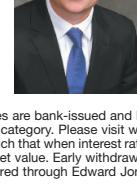
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OFFICIAL NOTICE BEFORE THE UTILITIES BOARD OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO THE CITIZENS OF CHICKASAW COUNTY:

Notice is given that Homeland Energy Solutions, Lawler, Iowa, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 479, has filed a petition with the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) for a permit to construct, operate, and maintain a natural gas pipeline. The route of the pipeline is described as follows:

Exhibit A – Legal Description of Pipeline Route

The proposed pipeline route traverses within Chickasaw County public road rights-of-way and private property owned by Homeland Energy Solutions. The proposed pipeline includes approximately 2.5 miles of 4-inch diameter steel pipeline and approximately 1 mile of 6-inch diameter steel pipeline. The proposed pipeline crosses one stream and four county roads.

The project begins at a proposed interconnect station with an existing Alliance Pipeline which is located on the south side of 205th Street in the Southwest Quarter, Section 10, Township 95N, Range 12W. The entire length of the pipeline will be in Chickasaw County, Iowa.

The proposed 4-inch diameter pipeline will start at the interconnect station and proceed North across 205th Street, into the Northwest Quarter, Section 10, Township 95N, Range 12W;

then turning East continuing in the approximate center of the 205th Street ditch in the public road right-of-way;

then crossing Panora Avenue into the Northeast Quarter of Section 10, Township 95N, Range 12W;

then turning North continuing in the approximate center of Panora Avenue road ditch in the public road right-of-way;

then turning East at 200th Street in the Northeast Quarter of Section 10, Township 95N, Range 12W; continuing East along the approximate center of the 200th Street ditch in the public road right-of-way into the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 95N, Range 12W;

continuing East along the approximate center of the 200th Street ditch in the public road right-of-way into the Northeast Quarter of Section 11, Township 95N, Range 12W;

then crossing Quinlan Avenue into the Northwest Quarter of Section 12, Township 95N, Range 12W on private property owned by Homeland Energy Solutions;

then turning North into the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W continuing on private property owned by Homeland Energy Solutions, connecting to the proposed Homeland Energy Solutions intermediate station, there terminating the 4-inch diameter pipeline, which is a total of approximately 12,800 feet;

then a 6-inch diameter pipeline turning North along Quinlan Avenue continuing on private property owned by Homeland Energy Solutions then turning East for approximately 350 feet and then North for approximately 670 feet around a farmstead in the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W;

then turning East in the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W on private property owned by Homeland Energy Solutions;

continuing East to the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W on private property owned by Homeland Energy Solutions;

then turning North to the Homeland Energy Solutions Ethanol Plant in the Southeast Quarter of Section 1, Township 95N, Range 12W;

then turning east and then turning north connecting to the existing Homeland Energy Solutions station, there terminating the 6" diameter line, which is a total of approximately 4,950 feet.

A map showing the proposed route of the pipeline is attached to this notice.

The IUB has established 10 a.m. on August 9, 2023, at the Iowa Utilities

Board Hearing Room, 1375 E. Court Ave., Des Moines, IA, 50319, as the time, date, and place for hearing on the petition.

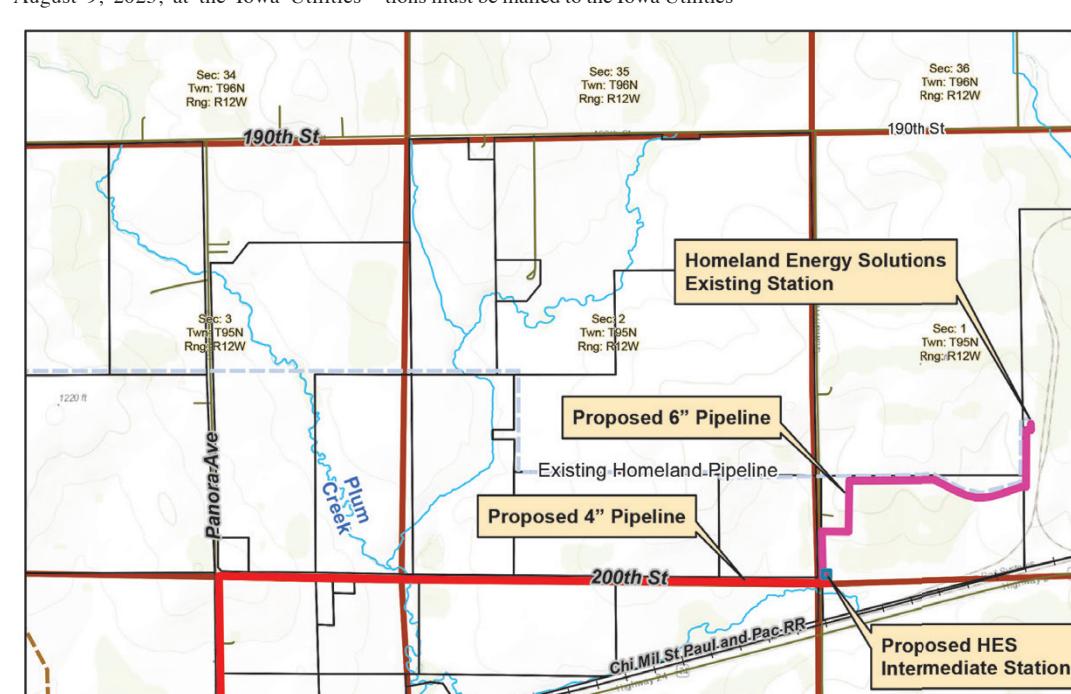
Orders issued and documents filed in this docket (Docket No. P-0907) may be viewed by searching under the docket number in the IUB's electronic filing system (EFS) at <http://efs.iowa.gov>. Objections to the granting of the extension of franchise may be filed electronically using EFS or filed in writing with the IUB no later than 20 days after the date of second publication of this notice. Instructions for submitting an electronic filing can be found in EFS; written objections must be mailed to the Iowa Utilities

Board, 1375 E. Court Ave., Des Moines, IA 50319.

Persons with disabilities who will require assistive service or devices to observe this hearing or participate in it should contact the IUB at (515) 725-7300 no later than ten days prior to the hearing to request that appropriate arrangements be made.

The date of the first publication is July 13, 2023. The date of the second publication is July 20, 2023.

IOWA UTILITIES BOARD
BY: Jon Tack, General Counsel
Dated At Des Moines, Iowa, this 7th day of July, 2023



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Legend: Proposed 4" Pipeline Route, Proposed 6" Pipeline Route, Existing Homeland Energy Solutions Pipeline, Existing Dome Pipeline, Proposed Alliance Pipeline Interconnect, Proposed HES Intermediate Station, Property Parcel Lines, Roads, Railroads, PLSS Section Lines, Water Features

Homeland Energy Solutions PIPELINE PROJECT Lawler; Chickasaw County, Iowa Proposed Pipeline Route Map

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New Hampton Women of Today honored at national convention

Two members of the New Hampton Women of Today (NHWT), Laura Bentley and Michele Thompson, who served as NHWT co-presidents for the 2021-23 term, were among the 60 members, who were welcomed to a "Warm Weekend in the Wild West" in Tempe for the USWT Year-End 2023 convention, June 9-10, 2023.

Five New Hampton WT members were recognized with USWT Presidential pins; only 75 are given out nationwide each year. Those hon-

ored included Dorie Halbfass, Jeany Ridpath, Nicholas Bentley, Tricia Saldana and Todd Baldwin.

Having served as USWT Public Relations Director for 2022/23, Laura Bentley received the Programming Award of Excellence for her work as USWT public relations director.

Three New Hampton members received Outstanding Officer recognition. They included Christina Klimesh, who was recognized as one of 29 outstanding local officers (having served as

New Hampton WT secretary); Michele Thompson, who was recognized as outstanding extensions contact for her work in trying to start a new chapter in Marietta, Georgia and one of 19 Outstanding State Officers (having served as Iowa WT secretary); and Laura Bentley, who was recognized as outstanding national staff for her excellent work as public relations director.

The highlight of the weekend was the election of new officers for the 2023/2024. Having served as USWT

public relations director the past year, Bentley was elected to serve as 2023/24 USWT Programming Vice President.

Knowing that Spencer WT Tracey Pierson was running for national president, members of her Iowa WT family offered to host her Year-End convention in June 2024.

NHWT's Michele Thompson is chairing and Bentley is co-chairing. All three Iowa chapters are working hard on their assignments. NHWT is plan-

ning a fun, inter-active Friday night party; Nashua Women of Today are working on registration and Spencer Women of Today are working on welcome bags and decorations.

New Hampton Women of Today meets at 6 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, usually at the New Hampton Library.

For more information, contact chapter president Christina Klimesh at nhwtpres@gmail.com or 641-631-0558.



Photo courtesy of New Horizons-Chamber

Celebrating new vet, renovations!

New Horizons-Chamber officials, including New Hampton Mayor Bobby Schwickerath, pose for a photo with employees from New Hampton Veterinary Clinic last week when the clinic celebrated both its new renovations and the arrival of a new vet, Dr. Maddie, with an open house. The clinic is owned by Dr. Kim Van Driel, who opened New Hampton Veterinary Clinic in 2017.

LifeServe Blood Center honors 'milestone' donors

LifeServe Blood Center would like to thank the community of New Hampton for hosting a blood drive on June 27. A total of 43 units of blood were collected, saving & sustaining the lives of 129 people in need. Your lifesaving gift is appreciated and celebrated.

LifeServe Blood Center would like to recognize donors that achieved milestone donations at this blood drive. They are:

- Becky Babcock – 1 Gallon
- Bonnie Bader – 2 Gallons
- Richard Taylor – 2 Gallons
- Noah Martin – 4 Gallons
- Jed Becker – 7 Gallons
- Steven Geerts – 10 Gallons
- Linda Huegel – 12 Gallons
- Sean Singewald – 13 Gallons
- John Eichenberger – 14 Gallons
- James Gorman – 23 Gallons

Together these 10 individuals have donated 704 pints of blood – sustaining the lives of over 2112 people. What an amazing gift!

If you happen to know them, make sure to give them a shout out and thank them for their amazing dedication to saving lives through blood donation.



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Student Briefs**Kirkwood CC graduates**

The 2023 Kirkwood Community College Commencement Ceremony was held on Saturday, May 13, at 10 a.m. at the Alliant Energy PowerHouse in downtown Cedar Rapids.

Area graduates — both from Alta Vista — include Trenton Hubka, associate of applied science and Sarah Rosen, associate of applied science.

Wartburg graduates

Wartburg College awarded diplomas to 267 students during Spring Commencement on Sunday, May 28.

Area graduates are as follows:

Fredericksburg - Chandler Njus graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor of arts in elementary education.

Lawler - Blake Hackman graduated with a bachelor of arts in economics and actuarial science.

Nashua - Haley Jacobson graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of arts in elementary education.

New Hampton - Keagan John graduated with a bachelor of arts in business administration; Nicholas TeKippe graduated with a bachelor of science in engineering; Kyle Burke graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of arts in chemistry.

Sumner - Brett Meyer graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts in biology.

DMACC graduate

Nearly 1,800 students graduated from the spring semester from Des Moines Area Community College

Those recognized from the area include Nashua's Kylie Dietz, in agribusiness, agribusiness-agronomy and agribusiness-farm management.



Jacelynn Bailey



First Name



Claire Hemesath



Alexis Hovey



Ava Peterson



Emily Suhr



Bristol Van Driel



Lane Van Driel



Kalyn Wickham

Achievement Show to crown Little Miss and Mr. Chickasaw

The annual Chickasaw County 4-H and FFA Achievement Show will celebrate the fair this Saturday with the annual Family BBQ and Awards Ceremony that will be held at the Big 4 Fairgrounds.

While plenty of old favorites — great food from the Chickasaw County Pork Producers, the distribution of awards and the crowning of the new Chickasaw County Fair queen — will be on tap, the outgoing fair queen, Trinity Brincks, has come up with a new idea that has generated plenty of interest.

New to the Achievement Show is the crowning of a Little Miss and Little Mr. Chickasaw, and 14 kids from around the county have entered the contest.

Saturday's Family BBQ begins at 4:30 p.m. and the pork producers will serve the meal through 6:30.

Meal tickets are available from any Chickasaw County 4-H member or at the fairgrounds on Saturday.

Here are short bios of the youngsters who are competing in the Little Mr. and Little Miss Chickasaw competition (note: not all included photos with their applications):

• **Emily Suhr** is the 10-year-old daughter of Ed and Lavonne Suhr. She attends Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle School and is involved in the Fredericksburg Futures 4-H Club and LIGHT at Trinity Lutheran Church. Emily's favorite thing about the fair is interacting with the public about her fair projects and showing her beef cattle. Emily's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride her bike on the Fredericksburg trail and help with the

Suhr Farm Tours.

• **Kalyn Wickham** is the 8-year-old daughter of Frank and Jamie Wickham. Kalyn attends the New Hampton Elementary and is involved in the Ionia Rustlers 4-H Club, dance, softball, soccer and youth basketball. Kalyn's favorite thing about the fair is seeing all of the animals and helping Kandice with her sheep. Kalyn's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride her bike around the TRIBE trail.

• **Lane Van Driel** is the 9-year-old son of Justin and Kim Van Driel. Lane attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Trinity LIGHT, Boy Scouts, baseball, soccer and 4-H Clover Kids. Lane's favorite thing about the fair is the rides and animals. Lane's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride bikes and go play in the parks.

• **Harmony Pederson** is the 8-year-old daughter of Hannah and Allen Pederson. Harmony attends Nashua-Plainfield Elementary and is active in the Bradford Eager Beavers 4-H Club, Clover Kids and Compass Kids. Harmony's favorite thing about the fair is seeing the animals and all of the 4-H projects. Harmony's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is visit all of the parks.

• **Ava Peterson** is the 10-year-old daughter of Nick and Lisa Peterson. She attends Nashua-Plainfield Elementary School and is involved in the Jolly Blue Bells 4-H club and Kids Point. Ava's favorite thing about the fair is making crafts and baking projects to take to the fair. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is roller skate in New

Hampton.

• **Jacelynn Bailey** is the 6-year-old daughter of Matt and Kelly Bailey. She attends Nashua-Plainfield Elementary and is involved in Saturday school, tumbling, and t-ball. Jacelynn's favorite thing about the fair is the pancake breakfast before the auction and helping Kendall with her lambs. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is to go bowling and play at the wooden park.

• **Harper Schuchhardt** is the 9-year-old daughter of Ashley Schuchhardt. Harper attends New Hampton Elementary School and is involved in soccer, Harvest Kids and softball. Harper's favorite thing about the fair is the people and the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride her bike.

• **Alexis Hovey** is the 5-year-old daughter of Walker and Jennifer Hovey. Alexis attends Nashua-Plainfield Elementary and is involved in dance and tumbling. Her favorite thing about the fair is all of the rides and animals. Alexis's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is play outside.

• **Maisie Boleyn** is the 5-year-old daughter of Theresa and Scott Boleyn. Maisie attends Fredericksburg Elementary and is involved in dance. Maisie's favorite thing about the fair is everything, but specifically the carousel and the horses. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go swimming in the pools and play at the parks.

• **Bristol Van Driel** is the 6-year-old daughter of Justin and Kim Van Driel. Bristol attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Trinity

Lutheran, t-ball, soccer, Ninja-U and dance. Bristol's favorite thing about the fair is all of the animals. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go to Mikkelsen Park to play on the playground.

• **Claire Hemesath** is the 7-year-old daughter of Emily and Austin Hemesath. Claire attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Girl Scouts, gymnastics and soccer. Claire's favorite thing about the fair is watching the horses and riding on the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is visit twin ponds and learn more about the animals. She also loves taking her dog Conway to the vet.

• **Olivia Schuchhardt** is the 7-year-old daughter of Ashley and Josh Schuchhardt. She attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Harvest Kids and soccer. Olivia's favorite thing about the fair is all of the food and games. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is hike.

• **Eli Dix** is the 9-year-old son of Kevin and Jade Dix. Eli attends Fredericksburg Elementary and is involved in the Fredericksburg Futures 4-H Club. Eli's favorite thing about the fair is riding the rides and seeing all of the animals. His favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go to all of the parks.

• **Addie Rochford** is the 10-year-old daughter of Craig and Marcy Speltz. Addie attends St. Joseph Community School and is involved in 4-H, soccer and softball. Addie's favorite thing about the fair is riding the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go fishing and play outside.

'Perfect storm' helps county set campground revenue mark**CAMPGROUNDS: FROM 1**

to the record-setting camping year.

The Conservation Board added seasonal/extended camping sites to its offerings at its largest campground, Airport Lake Park, which is located just northwest of New Hampton. It also offered sites that have sewer hookups on site and it raised prices from \$18 to \$20 for water and electrical hookups.

Humpal pointed out that the county also experienced almost perfect "camping weather" since campgrounds opened on May 1.

"And our weather at the end of last year was also really good," he said. "In short, we've had a perfect storm, if you will, for our campgrounds."

The number of "units" camping during the 2022-23 fiscal year was 4,595, a jump of 18.7 percent from the previous year and just off the record of 4,712 units that visited the county campgrounds in 2020-21, which was heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Split Rock Campground, located southeast of Fredericksburg, did break its previous record of 1,454 set in 2020-21 with 1,546 units in the past year.

Briefs**Drought conditions affecting virtually every county in the state**

All but two counties — both in the far northwest part of Iowa — are dealing with either abnormally dry or drought conditions according to the latest report from the U.S. Drought Monitor.

The report released last Thursday showed that the southern third of Chickasaw County is experiencing severe drought conditions while the rest of the county is in moderate drought.

On Monday, the USDA weekly Iowa Crop Progress and Condition report showed that 12 percent of topsoil in the Northeast District was "very short" of moisture while another 44 percent was "short." Subsoil moisture contents were "very short" in 9 percent of the district and "short" in 46 percent of the district.

But there are far drier places in Iowa as parts of southeast Iowa and western Iowa are suffering through what the U.S. Drought Monitor terms "extreme drought."

Farmers Market returns to New Hampton next Thursday

The city's Farmers Market is being held every other Thursday, next to Riley's Inc., and the next scheduled market is set for a next Thursday, July 20.

Additional vendors are still needed, and anyone interested in attending a few dates or the whole season can call New Horizons-Chamber at 641-394-2021.

Mobile Food Bank to distribute at Trinity on July 20

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will make its monthly stop in New Hampton on Thursday, July 20.

Food will be distributed from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church and those who would like to help at the event, should report to the church at 3:45 p.m.

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Achievement Show to crown Little Miss and Mr. Chickasaw

The annual Chickasaw County 4-H and FFA Achievement Show will celebrate the fair this Saturday with the annual Family BBQ and Awards Ceremony that will be held at the Big 4 Fairgrounds.

While plenty of old favorites — great food from the Chickasaw County Pork Producers, the distribution of awards and the crowning of the new Chickasaw County Fair queen — will be on tap, the outgoing fair queen, Trinity Brincks, has come up with a new idea that has generated plenty of interest.

New to the Achievement Show is the crowning of a Little Miss and Little Mr. Chickasaw, and 14 kids from around the county have entered the contest.

Saturday's Family BBQ begins at 4:30 p.m. and the pork producers will serve the meal through 6:30.

Meal tickets are available from any Chickasaw County 4-H member or at the fairgrounds on Saturday.

Here are short bios of the youngsters who are competing in the Little Mr. and Little Miss Chickasaw competition (note: not all included photos with their applications):

• **Emily Suhr** is the 10-year-old daughter of Ed and Lavonne Suhr. She attends Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle School and is involved in the Fredericksburg Futures 4-H Club and LIGHT at Trinity Lutheran Church. Emily's favorite thing about the fair is interacting with the public about her fair projects and showing her beef cattle. Emily's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride her bike on the Fredericksburg trail and help with the

Suhr Farm Tours.

• **Kalyn Wickham** is the 8-year-old daughter of Frank and Jamie Wickham. Kalyn attends the New Hampton Elementary and is involved in the Ionia Rustlers 4-H Club, dance, softball, soccer and youth basketball. Kalyn's favorite thing about the fair is seeing all of the animals and helping Kandice with her sheep. Kalyn's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride her bike around the TRIBE trail.

• **Lane Van Driel** is the 9-year-old son of Justin and Kim Van Driel. Lane attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Trinity LIGHT, Boy Scouts, baseball, soccer and 4-H Clover Kids. Lane's favorite thing about the fair is the rides and animals. Lane's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride bikes and go play in the parks.

• **Harper Schuchhardt** is the 9-year-old daughter of Ashley Schuchhardt. Harper attends New Hampton Elementary School and is involved in soccer, Harvest Kids and softball. Harper's favorite thing about the fair is the people and the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is ride her bike.

• **Alexis Hovey** is the 5-year-old daughter of Walker and Jennifer Hovey. Alexis attends Nashua-Plainfield Elementary and is involved in dance and tumbling. Her favorite thing about the fair is all of the rides and animals. Alexis's favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is play outside.

• **Maisie Boleyn** is the 5-year-old daughter of Theresa and Scott Boleyn. Maisie attends Fredericksburg Elementary and is involved in dance. Maisie's favorite thing about the fair is everything, but specifically the carousel and the horses. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go swimming in the pools and play at the parks.

• **Bristol Van Driel** is the 6-year-old daughter of Justin and Kim Van Driel. Bristol attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Trinity

Lutheran, t-ball, soccer, Ninja-U and dance. Bristol's favorite thing about the fair is all of the animals. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go to Mikkelsen Park to play on the playground.

• **Claire Hemesath** is the 7-year-old daughter of Emily and Austin Hemesath. Claire attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Girl Scouts, gymnastics and soccer. Claire's favorite thing about the fair is watching the horses and riding on the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go to the horses and riding on the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is visit twin ponds and learn more about the animals. She also loves taking her dog Conway to the vet.

• **Olivia Schuchhardt** is the 7-year-old daughter of Ashley and Josh Schuchhardt. She attends New Hampton Elementary and is involved in Harvest Kids and soccer. Olivia's favorite thing about the fair is all of the food and games. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is hike.

• **Eli Dix** is the 9-year-old son of Kevin and Jade Dix. Eli attends Fredericksburg Elementary and is involved in the Fredericksburg Futures 4-H Club. Eli's favorite thing about the fair is riding the rides and seeing all of the animals. His favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go to all of the parks.

• **Addie Rochford** is the 10-year-old daughter of Craig and Marcy Speltz. Addie attends St. Joseph Community School and is involved in 4-H, soccer and softball. Addie's favorite thing about the fair is riding the rides. Her favorite thing to do in Chickasaw County is go fishing and play outside.



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223 S. Water
trinitylutherannewhampton.org
641-394-2552
Pastors Kevin Frey
and Dan Christensen

Service times: 9 a.m., Sunday.

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC

202 N. Broadway
641-394-2105
Father Jim Goerend

Mass times: 4 p.m., Saturday; 8 and 10 a.m., Sunday.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST & UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

at First United Methodist
201 N. Locust Ave.

Pastor Dong Hun Shin

Service times: 9:15 a.m. Sunday at FUMC; UCC and Ionia UCC to hold joint service at NH-UVV at 10:30 a.m.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN

611 W. Court St.
saudejerico.com

Pastor Peter Faugstad
Service time: 4 p.m. Saturday Divine Service

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481 S. Linn Ave.

harvestcares.com
641-394-4380

Pastor Anthony Harris
Service time: 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

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prairielakeschurch.org
641-456-6880
Pastor Cory Orr

Service times: 9 a.m., Sunday.

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saudejerico.com

Pastor Peter Faugstad

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firstumenehampston.com
Pastor Dong Hun Shin

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Father Jim Goerend

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC

Rev. Jerry Kopacek

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ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC

Rev. Jerry Kopacek

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Pastor Sue Cira

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ELMA

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC

Rev. Jerry Kopacek

Mass: Sunday, July 23, 7:15 a.m.

ST. PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Bruce Miller

107 Wood St. Elma

Service time: 9 a.m. Sunday.

NORTH WASHINGTON

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Father Jim Goerend

Mass: Saturday, July 22, 6 p.m.

Come back to our first love

Pray to God that we will all be inclusive when it comes to our love

In Revelation 2, Jesus gives us two important principles for how a church should behave in the world.

The first is to defend the truth.

The Ephesian church kept its faith well even in the persecution of Rome. And it was a church that defended the truth without being shaken even in the face of temptation and attack.

The Ephesians were a hardworking church, with sound doctrine and strong determination, and Jesus knew it. It's truly a church worthy of an example.

We live in an age in which the truth has become unclear. This is the reality of our time today.

Therefore, like the Church of Ephesus, which devoted itself to discerning and defending the truth, we must long for the Word of God and meditate on it to keep the truth.

Another thing the church must maintain is love.

The Ephesian church, which the Lord praised, heard the Lord's rebuke. Verse 4 says, "Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love

you had at first."

The church did a great job of defending the truth, but forgot love. At first, it must have been love for the Lord that made them strive to keep the truth. However, as time passed, their first love disappeared.

We need to get back our first love for the Lord. We have got to start from here.

We have got to realize and say, "Jesus is my first love." Therefore, the defense of truth and love must be balanced.

For this, we must ask God. Pray to God that



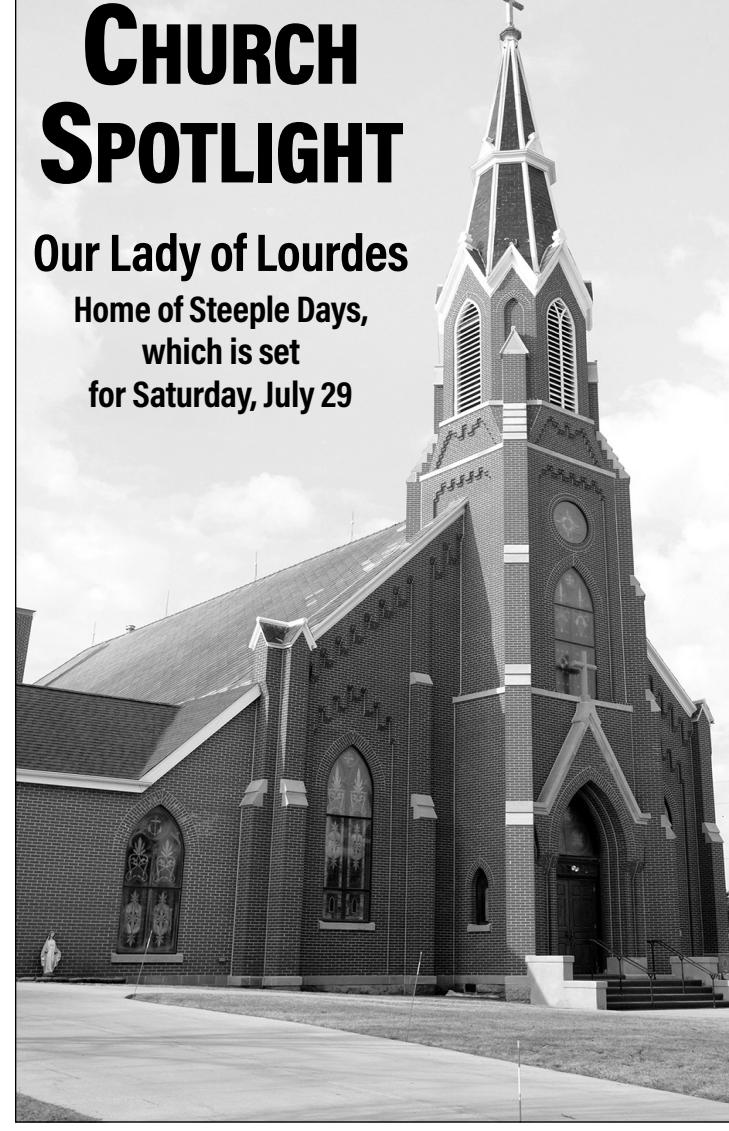
Dong Hun Shin is the pastor for the First United Methodist Church in New Hampton and United Church of Christ in both New Hampton and Ionia.

through His grace, we will all be inclusive and maintain the balance of sharing love while defending truth.

CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

Our Lady of Lourdes

Home of Steeple Days, which is set for Saturday, July 29



Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Galatians 5:25

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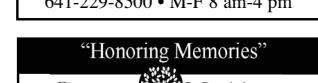
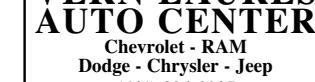
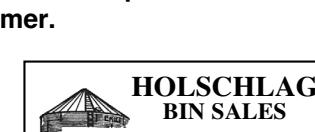
Redeemer, Saudi and Jerico churches have new vicar

Matthew Lehne, a new vicar for the Saude, Jerico and Redeemer Lutheran parishes, is pictured with Pastor Peter Faugstad after Lehne was installed as a vicar for the three churches during a service on Sunday, July 2, at Redeemer Lutheran Church in New Hampton. Lehne will serve as a vicar until next summer.



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Pastor Sarah Namukose

Service time: 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

314 Brasher Street

Pastor Sarah Namukose

Service time: 9 a.m. Sundays.

CEDAR POINT CHURCH

310 Main Street

Pastor Darin Cerwinski

Service time: 6:30 p.m. Friday.

ST. MICHAELS CHURCH

602 Cedar Street

Father Tom Heathershaw

Service time: 6:30 p.m. Saturdays.

ST. JOHN'S UCC - PLEASANT HILL

10009 Union Ave.

Pastor Drew McHolm

Service time: Sunday, 9 a.m.

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404 2nd St.

319-276-3195

Pastor Roberta Robbins

Service time: Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

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3030 Highway 24

Father Nick Radloff

Mass: Saturday, 4 p.m.

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Wednesday	78	53	--
Thursday	72	51	--
Friday	70	49	.30
Saturday	76	51	--
Sunday	79	51	--
Monday	86	59	--
Tuesday	82	64	--

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny but chance of pop-up storms and showers; high 83, low 63.

Friday: Mostly sunny but also chances of storms; high 82, low 60.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 80 and a low of 59.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 80 and a low of 56.

Extended forecast: Mostly sunny to start the work week but chance of pop-up storms; highs in the 80s, lows in the 50s.

Meetings**MONDAY**

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
- New Hampton School Board, 6:30 p.m., High School Media Center.
- New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

• In 1787, Congress enacts the Northwest Ordinance, structuring settlement of the Northwest Territory and creating a policy for the addition of new states to the nation.

• In 1930, France defeats Mexico and the United States defeats Belgium in the first-ever World Cup football matches.

• In 1943, the Battle of Kursk, involving some 6,000 tanks, two million men, and 5,000 aircraft, ends with the German offensive repulsed by the Soviets at heavy cost.

• In 1960, Senator John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts is nominated for the presidency by the Democratic Party Convention, held in Los Angeles.

• In 1985, a 16-hour concert, Live Aid, that was held both at Wembley Stadium in London and John F. Kennedy Stadium in Philadelphia, is broadcast around the world and raises millions to take on famine in Africa.

Birthdays

• Roman Emperor Julius Caesar was born in 100 B.C.

• Former St. Louis Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina turns 41.

• Former heavyweight boxing champion Michael Spinks turns 67.

• American film star Harrison Ford turns 81.

• Patrick Stewart, who played Star Trek's Capt. Picard, turns 83.

Corrections

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

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

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Richard L. 'Dick' Day Sr., 84

Richard L. "Dick" Day Sr., age 84 of Port Byron, Illinois, died Friday, June 30, 2023 at his home.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 2 p.m. on Friday, July 7, 2023 at St. John's Catholic Church, Rapids City, Illinois.

Visitation was from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, July 6, 2023, with a Rosary prayed at 3:30 p.m. all at St. John's Church, Rapids City.

Burial was in St. John's Cemetery, Rapids City. Memorials may be made to the St. John's Catholic Church, Alzheimer's Association or the American Cancer Society.

Dick was born November 20, 1938, in Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin, the son of Loran J. and Frances T. (DuCharme) Day.

He married Roberta Elliott on Sept. 6, 1958, with whom he had five children. She preceded him in death in 1997.

Dick later married Nancy (Rausch) Pilon on Nov. 21, 1998.

Dick was an engineer for John Deere Harvester for 41 years before he retired. He was a member of the American Society of Ag Engineers, SAE, John Deere Supervisor Club and was an active member of St. John's Catholic Church. He was also active in Cursillo and many other ministries.

In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing and working on old cars. He also liked to do home improvements. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinals, Green Bay Packers, and NASCAR fan.

Dick will be remembered for his kindness, big heart, generosity, patience and being hum-



Dick Day

ble. His deep love for the Lord was shown by the way he lived his entire life.

Dick is survived by his wife, Nancy; children, Connie Day (Larry Robinson), East Moline, Illinois, Dr. Richard (Denise) Day Jr., Robert (Bonnie) Day, Thomas (Jodi) Day, all of Port Byron, Illinois, and Christine (Ruben) Alaniz, of Texas; stepchildren, Douglas (Danielle) Pilon, Moline, Illinois, Lance Pilon (Chris Casillas), Port Byron, Illinois, Adam Pilon (Nick Kapsis), Chicago and Mitchell Pilon (Jessica Feinman), Madison, Wisconsin; 12 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Linda Moseley, East Moline, Illinois; brother-in-law, Glenn (Peggy) Elliott, Ketchikan, Arkansas; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Roberta; and brother-in-law, Robert Moseley.

Share a memory or condolence at www.gibsonbodefh.com.

Gary Al Finger, 84

Gary Al Finger, age 84 of Charles City, died Sunday, July 2, 2023, at his home.

A memorial service will be held at Clover Ridge Events located at 2526 Highway 218, Charles City, on Monday, July 17 at 11 a.m.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua has been entrusted with arrangements.

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

Bernard Wayne Mathews, 79

Bernard "Bernie" Wayne Mathews, age 79 of New Hampton, died Friday, June 30, 2023, at Linn Haven Rehab and Healthcare in New Hampton.

A Celebration of Life will be held Sunday, Aug. 6, 2023, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Chickasaw Event Center in New Hampton.

The interment will be at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton has been entrusted with arrangements.

Online condolences may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Gary Griffin, 70

Garry Griffin, age 70 of Charles City, died Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

Funeral services are pending with Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory, and for more information, contact 641-394-4334.

Online condolences for the Griffin family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Property Transfers

Anthony L., Martin EST and Deanna Wheeler EX to David V. Edson and Connie S. Edson; N95-152R NE 25-94-14.

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Oliver Gunderson, 86

Oliver Gunderson, age 86 of Elma, died Tuesday morning, July 4, 2023, at Regional Health Services of Howard County.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 10, 2023, at Zion Lutheran Church in Alta Vista, with the Rev. Sue Cira officiating.

The interment was held at Union Cemetery in Pleasant Grove, Minnesota.

Friends greeted the family from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, July 9, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Elma, located at 508 Maple St. Visitation continued an hour before the service at the Church in Alta Vista on Monday.

Online condolences for the Gunderson family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.



Oliver Gunderson

pline and commitment to duty.

Upon his honorable discharge from the military, Oliver returned to his roots in agriculture. He worked for DHIA as a supervisor and herdsman for the Heifer Project, a noble initiative that provided livestock to underprivileged farmers.

His dedication to the industry was further cemented when he owned and operated Premium Pork in New Hampton for 20 years.

Oliver's last two decades of work were spent with Reicks View Farms, where his intelligence and gentle demeanor made him an integral part of the operation.

Oliver's personal life was equally as rich. He met his first wife, Carole Ann Welch, at a 4H softball game in Stewartville, Minnesota. They married at the

Church of Christ in Pleasant Grove and welcomed their son, Jeffrey Oliver Gunderson, in 1963. Carol passed away on February 3, 2007.

Years later, Oliver found love again with Leigh Boyle while attending church at Zion

Lutheran Church in Alta Vista. They were married on August 18, 2012, and settled in Elma.

A man of many interests, Oliver was a die-hard Minnesota Twins and Vikings fan. He loved attending his nieces' and nephews' sporting events and was always ready for a game of cribbage with his brother Ken. Oliver also collected antique glassware, amassing a collection of over 100 pieces.

His community involvement was widespread, serving as the Zion Lutheran Church Financial Secretary for many years and as a long-time member of the Pork Producers. Oliver was a member of The American Rabbit Breeders Association from 2004 to 2022. He took great joy in mentoring young minds as a 4H leader.

Oliver is survived by his wife, Leigh Gunderson of Elma; step-daughter, Rachel (Heather Schweikhardt) Boyle of Houston; brother, Ken (Muriel) Gunderson of Harmony, Minnesota; sister-in-law, Jody Gunderson of Savage, Minnesota; along with many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Carole Ann Welch; son, Jeffrey Oliver Gunderson; and brother, David Gunderson.

Described by those who knew him as friendly, intelligent, and gentle, Oliver was a man who left a positive imprint on the world.

His legacy will live on in the hearts of his family, friends, and all those whose lives were touched by his kindness and generosity. Oliver John Gunderson will be deeply missed, but his spirit will continue to inspire those who were fortunate enough to know him.

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON**Week of July 9****1948 (75 years ago)**

• H.A. Perry had a unique experience on Monday,

Retirees: Talk finances with your grown children

When you're retired, you'll likely have some financial concerns — just like all retirees. However, if you've invested regularly and followed a long-term financial strategy, you should be able to address most issues that come your way. But there's one important action that's sometimes overlooked by retirees: sharing their financial situation with their grown children. And this knowledge can benefit everyone in your family.

You might be surprised by the concern your children have for your financial well-being. Consider these findings from a 2023 study by Age Wave and Edward Jones:

- 66% of millennials (generally defined as ranging from 27 to 42) worry that their parents or in-laws may not have enough money to live comfortably in retirement.

- 83% of millennials would rather know their parents are financially secure in their retirement, even if it means their parents pass on less money to them.

If you have children in this age range or older, or who soon will be, how can you address their concerns and potentially improve your financial outlook? Communication is the key. By openly communicating with your family about your financial status, you can reduce anxieties and misperceptions. If you're in good financial shape, your adult children may be reassured that you won't be needing their assistance. And if you are feeling some financial pressures, you can inform your children of the steps you are taking to improve your situation.

One such step may be to reduce your cost of living — the less you spend day to day, the better your ability to preserve your investment and retirement accounts. You may be able to reduce costs in many small ways, such as ending streaming services you no longer use, but you could make an even bigger impact by downsizing your living arrangements. In fact, 72% of today's retirees have downsized or are willing to downsize to reduce their housing costs, according to the Age Wave/Edward Jones survey.



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vey. Downsizing isn't for everyone, but if it's a possibility for you, it may be worth considering because the savings could be significant.

You may also be able to reduce or consolidate your debts. Start by understanding how much and what kinds of debt you have. Then, consider ways to lower your payments, such as refinancing. For example, if you're carrying a balance on multiple credit cards, you might be able to transfer the amounts you owe onto a single card with a more favorable interest rate.

Here's another move to consider: Adjust your investment mix to possibly provide you with more income in retirement. During your working years, you may have invested primarily for growth — after all, you could be retired for two or more decades, so you'll need to draw on as many financial assets as possible. But once you're retired, your investment focus may need to shift somewhat toward income-producing opportunities. Keep in mind, though, that you'll still need some growth potential to help keep ahead of inflation.

One final suggestion: Let your children know if you already have a strategy in place to meet the potentially high costs of long-term care, such as a nursing home stay. This burden is certainly something you won't want your children to take on.

By informing your children about your financial picture, and how you're trying to improve it, you can ease everyone's minds — so keep the lines of communication open.

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Edward Jones, Member SIPC

New physician likes family atmosphere at MercyOne

DOCTOR: FROM 1

and now to New Hampton, but the dream of being a doctor started long ago; in fact, Oluwadamisi said he first made medicine his career goal when he was just 5 years old.

"I told my father, 'Daddy, I love pets; I want to be a vet,'" he said, "and he said that was fine but he also reminded me that I always liked to help people so 'I think you should become a human doctor.' I guess you can say that set me on the path I am today."

In medical school, he found that family medicine was his calling for one simple reason — he liked the variety.

"When you're in med school, you do these rotations and there are so many to choose from," he said. "I was attracted to family medicine, though, because you get to do everything. You see young people, adults, older people. If you specialize, you do one thing over and over, and that's not me. I like the fact that in family medicine no two days are alike."

Ionia Firemen's Annual FISH FRY

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Sheriff tells board decision on vehicles needed soon

SHERIFF: FROM 1

houses not only sheriff's office but also the county's dispatch center and jail.

Shawver said an addition would mean that his office would lose about 85 percent of its parking lot but added that the Samuels Group does not believe it will be cost effective to re-purpose the jail as a holding facility.

"If we touch that thing at all — the jail part — it has to be brought up to current state minimum standards," he said. "The offices are a different story."

Asked by Supervisor Jake Hackman how Shawver envisioned using the current jail area, the sheriff said "my suggestion is to completely take them out and re-purpose that space for something else" ranging from evidence storage to processing to an "armor room."

The Samuels Group also wanted to know if supervisors would be willing to tear down the old building and construct an entirely new facility, and that proposal was met with little support by board members.

"I don't know how we would continue to function and operate," Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said, and Shawver said the only option would be to find temporary quarters for the sheriff's office.

"I just don't see that as an option," Kuhn said, "or at least



Chickasaw County Sheriff Ryan Shawver discusses questions Samuels Group has for the county during Monday's Board of Supervisors meeting.

a viable one."

Shawver said he would take the answers — chiefly that remodeling was OK as long as the county avoids having to make the second floor ADA compliant — back to the Samuels Group. The sheriff said that even though the Samuels Group has said it could have a report to the county by the end of this month, "I'd say the best-case scenario is middle of August."

Also during Monday's meeting, Shawver asked supervisors



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to start thinking about new vehicles for his deputies.

"I hate to already start talking about fiscal year 24-25 when we're not even 10 days into [fiscal year] 23-24," Shawver said, "however with the way vehicle purchases are going and what COVID did to everything nationwide, we're about a year and a half behind when it comes to vehicles."

He said the county has a couple of options — get its name into the ordering system by Nov. 1 or possibly looking at

"leasing" vehicles.

Shawver used GM as an example, and said that vehicle makers are getting "pretty strict" and that once an entity has been entered into the ordering system, that entity is committed to buying the vehicle.

He explained that the county could lease vehicles. He said he got a quote from a leasing company out of Des Moines that would give the Sheriff's Office five vehicles over a four-year period. At the end of the lease, the Sheriff's Office would own the vehicles.

But the issue is that the county would end up paying around \$100,000 in interest costs over the four-year period.

"It allows smaller agencies ... for budgeting purposes, it's one flat fee," he said.

Supervisors, though, weren't sold on the leasing proposal.

"I'm just going to say I'm not interested because of the interest [costs]," Kuhn said.

Still, Shawver said that in the next month or so, he does need to know if supervisors will give him the OK to purchase two new vehicles during the 24-25 fiscal year even though he understood that budget workshop sessions for that year don't usually begin until December.

"We're going to have to be ready," he said. "If we're going to order — and we are falling behind — we have to know soon."

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POSITION DETAILS:

- Position: Paraeducator
- Starting Pay: \$15.90 per hour
- Additional Incentive: \$1 per hour increase if you obtain your substitute teaching license

RESPONSIBILITIES:

As a school paraeducator, your primary responsibilities will include:

- Assisting teachers and students in classrooms to facilitate the learning process
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- Collaborating with teachers and other paraeducators to develop and implement educational plans and strategies
- Monitoring student progress and providing feedback to the classroom teacher
- Assisting with administrative tasks, such as record-keeping and preparing instructional materials

QUALIFICATIONS:

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Previous experience working with students or in an educational setting is desirable but not required
- Ability to work collaboratively and follow instructions from teachers and administrators
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
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SCHEDULE:

- School Hours: 8:00 to 3:30
- Exact schedule to be determined based on school needs

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APPLICATION PROCESS:

To apply for the position of School Paraeducator at New Hampton Community Schools, please submit your resume and a cover letter highlighting your relevant experience and qualifications to e_hemesath@new-hampton.k12.ia.us.

Please indicate "School Paraeducator Application" in the subject line.

You may also drop it off at the superintendent's office at

710 West Main Street; New Hampton, Iowa.

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Only selected candidates will be contacted for an interview.

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- Assisting with setting up and breaking down for school events, meetings, and activities.
- Collaborating with fellow custodial staff to ensure efficient and effective cleaning operations.

SCHEDULE:

- School Year: 3:00 PM to 11:30 PM
- Summer: 6:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Qualifications:

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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
 U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS LEGAL TITLE TRUSTEE FOR TRUMAN 2016 SC6 TITLE TRUST,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
 BRIAN D. HACKMAN,
 CASEY L. HACKMAN,
 LARHEA A. TROUTNER,
 IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,
 HAUGE ASSOCIATES INC.,
 PLAINFIELD VETERINARY SERVICE,
 MIDLAND FUNDING LLC,
 CAPITAL ONE BANK USA NA,
 AND PARTIES IN POSSESSION, Defendants.
 CASE NO.EQCV004408

ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court, naming you as a defendant in this action, for foreclosure of the property legally described as: THE WEST 96 FEET OF THE NORTH 30 FEET OF LOT 6; THE WEST 96 FEET OF THE SOUTH 30 FEET OF LOT 3, BOTH IN BLOCK 4 COLER'S ADDITION TO NASHUA, IOWA (Mortgaged Premises) due to a

default in making contractual payments on a promissory note; for judgment in rem against the mortgaged premises for the principal amount of \$60,747.43 plus interest as provided in the Note and as may have been subsequently adjusted thereafter; fees, costs, and attorney's fees, for a declaration of the sum due as a lien on the premises; a declaration that the mortgage is prior and superior to all of the other liens on the property; for a special execution to issue for sale of the Mortgaged Premises at sheriff's sale, for the issuance of a writ of possession, for an appointment of a receiver upon plaintiff's application, and for such further relief the Court deems just and equitable.

FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS SEE THE PETITION NOW CONTAINED IN THE COURT FILE

NOTICE

THE PLAINTIFF HAS ELECTED FORECLOSURE WITHOUT REDEMPTION. THIS MEANS THAT THE SALE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY WILL OCCUR PROMPTLY AFTER ENTRY OF JUDGMENT UNLESS YOU FILE WITH THE COURT A WRITTEN DEMAND TO DELAY THE SALE. IF YOU FILE A WRITTEN DEMAND, THE SALE WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL THREE MONTHS FROM ENTRY OF JUDGMENT IF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY IS YOUR RESIDENCE AND IS A ONE-FAMILY OR TWO-FAM-

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You are further notified that unless you serve and, within a reasonable time thereafter, file a motion or answer on or before August 2nd, 2023 in the Iowa District Court for Chickasaw County, Iowa, at the Courthouse in New Hampton, Iowa, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

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Legal Notice - Legal Notice - Legal Notice - Legal Notice**CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY JULY 5, 2023 7:00 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, July, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schwickerath at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Speltz, Denner, Fisher and Humpal. McDonald and Porath were absent. Also in attendance were City Attorney Todd Prichard, Matt Kuhn, Chair of the Board of Supervisors and Nicole Engelhart.

1.Approve meeting agenda
 2.Approve City Council Minutes of June 19, 2023
 3.Approve City Claims of \$179,908.68

4.Library Board Minutes of 6-26-2023

5.Cigarette Permit application – Five Star Cooperative – Effective July 6, 2023

6.Tax Exemption – Urban Revitalization Plan – Blake Hoeger

7.Retail Naïve Wine License Renewal: Schueth Ace Hardware WBN000520

8.Class B Retail Alcohol License (LG) Kwik Star #714

9.Request Parking for Mobile Food Trucks on City Street in Mikkelsen Park, August 5th, 11:00 am–5:00 pm.

Moved by Speltz, seconded by Humpal; that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented; Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – McDonald and Porath. Motion carried.

The Chickasaw County Ambulance service is requesting to terminate the garage rental space agreement effective August 1, 2023. The county will take possession of their new building on August 1, 2023 and is requesting the City waive the 60 day notice and prorate the August rental fee. The council determined that an additional day of rent is unnecessary and is willing to cooperate with Chickasaw County during this transition. Moved by Denner, seconded by Speltz; That Resolution No 6583 A RESOLUTION CANCELING GARAGE LEASE AGREEMENT, be approved. Ayes - Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Humpal. Nays – None. Absent - McDonald and

Porath. Resolution approved.

Moved by Speltz, seconded by Fisher; that the meeting adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – McDonald and Porath. Motion carried.

ATTEST:KAREN CLEMENS,

City Clerk ROBERT SCHWICKERATH, Mayor

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023 7:00 P.M.

CITY - WRITTEN SINCE JUNE 19, 2023

USPS,Postage for Utility Bills 138.94

INRCOG,Assistance with Housing Preservation Grant (Econ) 1,000.00

John Deere Financial,Supplies (Fire Water Street) 190.64

Rapid Printers,Office Chair (Econ)..... 289.00

USPS,Postage for Utility Bills 131.59

Total Written **1,750.17**

CITY - TO BE WRITTEN-

Chickasaw Co Auditor,3rd Qtr pmt for 28E Agreement for EMS 89,226.00

Chickasaw County Council on Aging,FY23/24 Contribution (\$6,000 Event Ctr; \$4,000 Chassis) 10,000.00

City Laundering Co,Uniforms (WA SR ST) Mats, Air Dispenser (SR)..... 416.84

Culligan Water,DI Equipment,Rental, Filter (Sewer) 372.35

Cummins Sales & Service,Inspect & Service Engine (Sewer) 661.04

Douglas, Ken,Juno Mileage - Reading Meters (89 x \$.655) (WA) 58.30

Environmental Resource Associates,Lab Supplies (Sewer) 463.71

Eurofins,Testing Fees June (Sewer) 3,828.21

Hawkins,Chlorine, Cylinder, Chlor Scale,Phosphates (WA) 5,233.30

HRS LLC,Survey Parcels (Tribute Trail) 1,500.00

IA Municipal Solutions LLC,Monthly Wastewater Operator Services (SR) 4,333.00

INRCOG,FY23/24 Dues (3,494 x .53)..... 1,851.82

Iowa One Call,One Calls (Water Sewer) 82.80

Jendro Sanitation,June Recycling (1,428 x \$8.71) 12,437.88

Jendro Sanitation,Refuse Pickup (Fire Carnegie PD Clerk Cust SR ST) 299.93

Jendro Sanitation,Garbage Bags, Fuel Surcharge June 526.41

L & R Manufacturing LLC,Blade Rubber, Pipe (Sewer) 182.54

LeisureTime Golf Cars,UPS Shipping (Water) 30.11

Lexipol,Annual Law Enforcement Policy Manual (PD)..... 4,473.52

Municipal Supply Inc,3/4" Meters, 1" Meter & Couplings (Water) 1,709.95

City of New Hampton,Self Funding Fees 8,624.74

Treasurer, State of Iowa,JPERS 16,279.41

Wellmark,Health Insurance ... 28,354.80

..... 70,771.40

CEMETERY - TO BE WRITTEN

Jendro Sanitation,Refuse Pickup .. 68.25

PARK & REC - TO BE WRITTEN

Petty Cash,Tape Measure, Tot Lot Supplies, Concession Items..... 48.27

Riley's Inc,Cash Register Repairs, Thermal Paper 174.95

New Horizons Chamber,Annual Contribution 223.22

AIRPORT- WRITTEN SINCE JUNE 19, 2023

Richard Tenge,Use of Equipment 140.00

Ziegler Inc,Repair Mower Deck (Airport) 731.73

..... 871.73

CEMETERY- WRITTEN SINCE JUNE 19, 2023

John Deere Financial,Hanging Baskets, Rodenticide, Toilet Paper..... 56.95

Marv & Zips Repair,Spark Plugs, Fuel Filter 56.50

New Hampton Electric,Replace Bad Receptacle & Breaker 111.55

NewCom Technologies,Annual Software License 350.00

..... 575.00

LIBRARY- WRITTEN SINCE JUNE 19, 2023

Chicago Distribution Center,ALA Posters & Bookmarks 42.57

Petty Cash- Library,Program Supplies, Postage 36.20

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PARK & REC- WRITTEN SINCE JUNE 19, 2023

Poor Richards,Pizza for Pool Employees 84.50

EFTPS,FICA Tax, Federal Tax 13,158.00

Employee Benefit Systems,Administration Fees 276.00

Empower Retirement,Deferred Comp ... 325.00

Iowa Dept of Revenue,State W/H Tax .. 3,170.95

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FARM LOAN ANALYST POSITION

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The individual selected will be responsible for providing support and assistance to Farm Loan officials by processing new loan applications, preparing loan closing documents, tracking loan payments, monitoring reports, servicing existing loans, performing analysis and evaluation of financial statements and tax returns, and any other assigned duties related to the effective delivery of loan making and servicing activities.

This position has a starting salary range of \$37,696 to \$57,118 depending on education and past experience. Other benefits include health, dental, vision, and life insurance, along with a retirement package and vacation/sick leave.

The individual selected will be required to pass a background investigation and fingerprint check.

The full vacancy announcement with mandatory application requirements can be obtained online at www.usajobs.gov by searching in the keywords section for vacancy announcement number FSA-23-12031827-DE-IA-GNB.

This vacancy has an opening date of July 11, 2023, and a closing date of July 25, 2023.

Questions regarding this position can be directed to Jennifer Ashley-Miller at 641-229-3106 or by email at jennifer.ashleymiller@usda.gov.

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County youth director says kids 'grow' at Achievement Show

SHOW: FROM 1

County ISU Extension youth director.

"It's amazing to see how many different projects they bring," he said when asked about the Static Show that, in short, is the non-livestock part of the Achievement Show. Yes, the days that will follow will be filled with cows, pigs, horses, sheep, goats ... well, you get the idea. But Tuesday was about the creativity county 4-H and FFA members possess.

They brought their photographs, sewing projects, baked goods, woodworking projects and more to the fairgrounds. The hope, of course, was a trip to the Iowa State Fair, but in Dirks' mind, the Achievement Show in general and the Static Show in particular are about so much more.

"To me, just to watch the kids grow is the amazing part," he said. "This is my third year here, and some kids come in pretty confident and that just grows. But a lot of them, when they bring that first project to the show, they're nervous, quiet, fidgety and all that. And then you see them the next year or two years later, and they're talking the judges ears off. It's a huge part of what 4-H offers kids."

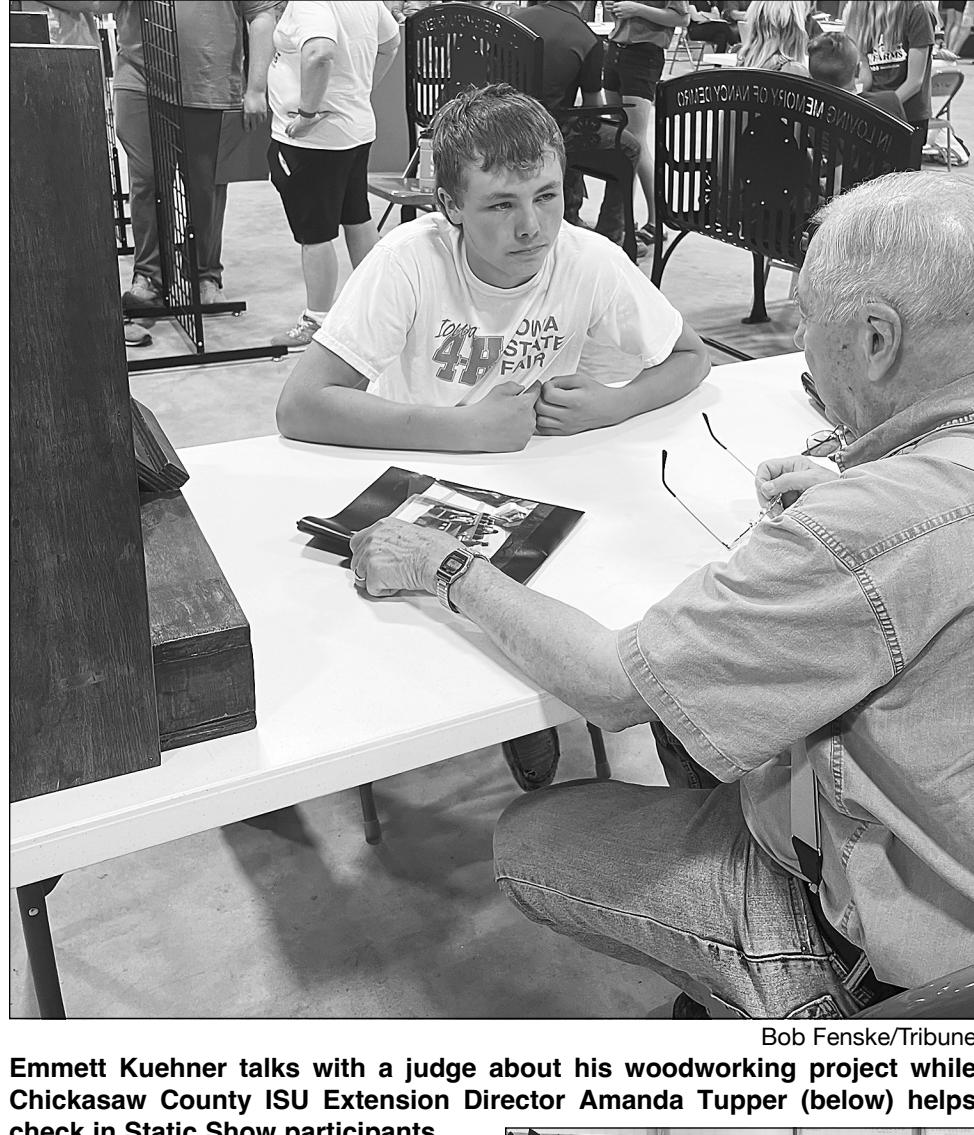
He paused and smiled.

"Thinking about it. When you're the ages they are, talking to a perfect stranger about your project can be downright scary," he said, "but walk into that building, and you'll see confidence that will take them a long, long way in life."

And Tuesday's Static Show was just the start.

The Achievement Show runs through Monday morning, when the annual Achievement Show breakfast and auction will be held. In between, scores of kids will show off all they've learned and receive helpful advice from judges.

"Our job is to be honest but also encouraging," said Jolene Pitzenberger-Timp, a photography judge. "The first thing that's hit me is there is some real talent in this room, and even the not-so-perfect pictures show some real creativity. We'll give them tips on how to make it even a little



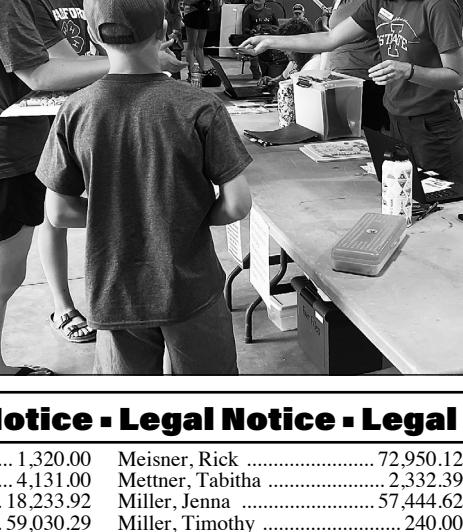
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Emmett Kuehner talks with a judge about his woodworking project while Chickasaw County ISU Extension Director Amanda Tupper (below) helps check in Static Show participants.

better, and what impresses me the most is how much give-and-take you get with kids. They're eager to learn, and that's a special trait."

While the kids showed and the judges judged, Dirks talked about how appreciative he was for not only the Chickasaw County ISU Extension staff but also the legion of volunteers who will spend a week making sure the spotlight shines brightly on 4-H and FFA.

"It takes a lot of people to make the fair go," he said, "and that's one thing we don't have to worry about here. People step up. They remember how good their fairs were to them, and they want to make sure our kids have that same experience."



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New Hampton Community School Combined Earnings Report without Benefits July 2022 - June 2023 Employee Name, Earnings Amount	Eberly, John 37,287.27	Jenkins, Hannah 1,320.00	Meisner, Rick 72,950.12	Praska, Retha 11,399.39	Sinnwell, Melissa 43,608.00
Adam, Jennifer 59,508.00	Egan-Holtz, Stephanie 19,695.00	Jenkins, Scott 4,131.00	Mettner, Tabitha 2,322.39	Prouty, Zachary 41,804.73	Sittig, Terry 7,663.00
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Briefs

Supervisors set July 24 for public hearing on budget amendment

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors voted Monday to hold a public hearing on its first proposed budget amendment for the fiscal year that began on July 1.

Board members have known for some time that they would have to have an amendment to the 2023-24 budget relatively early in the fiscal year because of several decisions that they made this past spring. Those actions — including purchasing new in-car and body cameras for the Sheriff's Office, buying new voting machines and approving the county contributing \$50,000 to the city of Nashua for dam repairs — came after the board certified its budget this past April.

But the amendment also adds revenue to the current budget with the addition of several grants county departments have received and also transfers the proceeds from the sale of a county office building on East Main Street to capital projects.

The public hearing on the budget amendment is scheduled to be held on Monday, July 24, at 9:10 a.m. during the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

NEICAC now accepting Head Start applications of 2023-24

As summer rolls into the new school year, Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation (NEICAC) announced recently that it is now accepting applications for the Head Start program for the 2023-2024 school year.

Head Start is the only all-day free 3-and 4-year old preschool program in the area that meets five days per week. Nutritious breakfast, lunch and snack are served daily at no costs to families.

Qualified teachers use the Creative Curriculum to help children learn and provide the academic and social skills to be successful when they reach kindergarten. Free before and after school care may be available for working parents and full-time students.

All families with children 3-4 years old by Sept. 15 are encouraged to apply for Head Start. Unique to Head Start, all enrolled families are partnered with a local Family Service Specialist to offer support to families.

NEICAC's Head Start program serves families in Allamakee, Bremer, Chickasaw, Clayton, Fayette, Howard, and Winneshiek counties.

Families can apply online at www.neicac.org or contact the family service specialist, and the phone number in Chickasaw County is 641-379-8761.

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Turkey Valley coach: Seniors had good 'bond'

TV SOFTBALL: FROM 16
(27-15) on Monday in the regional final.

"They pitch year-round. They play all year-round," said Hackman. "We just couldn't get hits off her. She was good. It's not like she went up there and struck everyone of us out. Half our outs were balls we put in play. That was good to see."

TV senior Sierra Morris – one of eight seniors on Hackman's roster – pitched six innings and allowed four earned runs.

"We're gonna need a couple girls to step up and put the work in the offseason," said Hackman about finding a No. 1 starter for next season to replace Morris.

The No. 1 spot is open to anybody. If they put the work in, they can get it."

TV committed five errors in the elimination contest.

North Linn beat Edgewood-Colesburg 10-3 in the Class 1A, Region 7 semifinal. The Lynx played Calamus-Wheatland

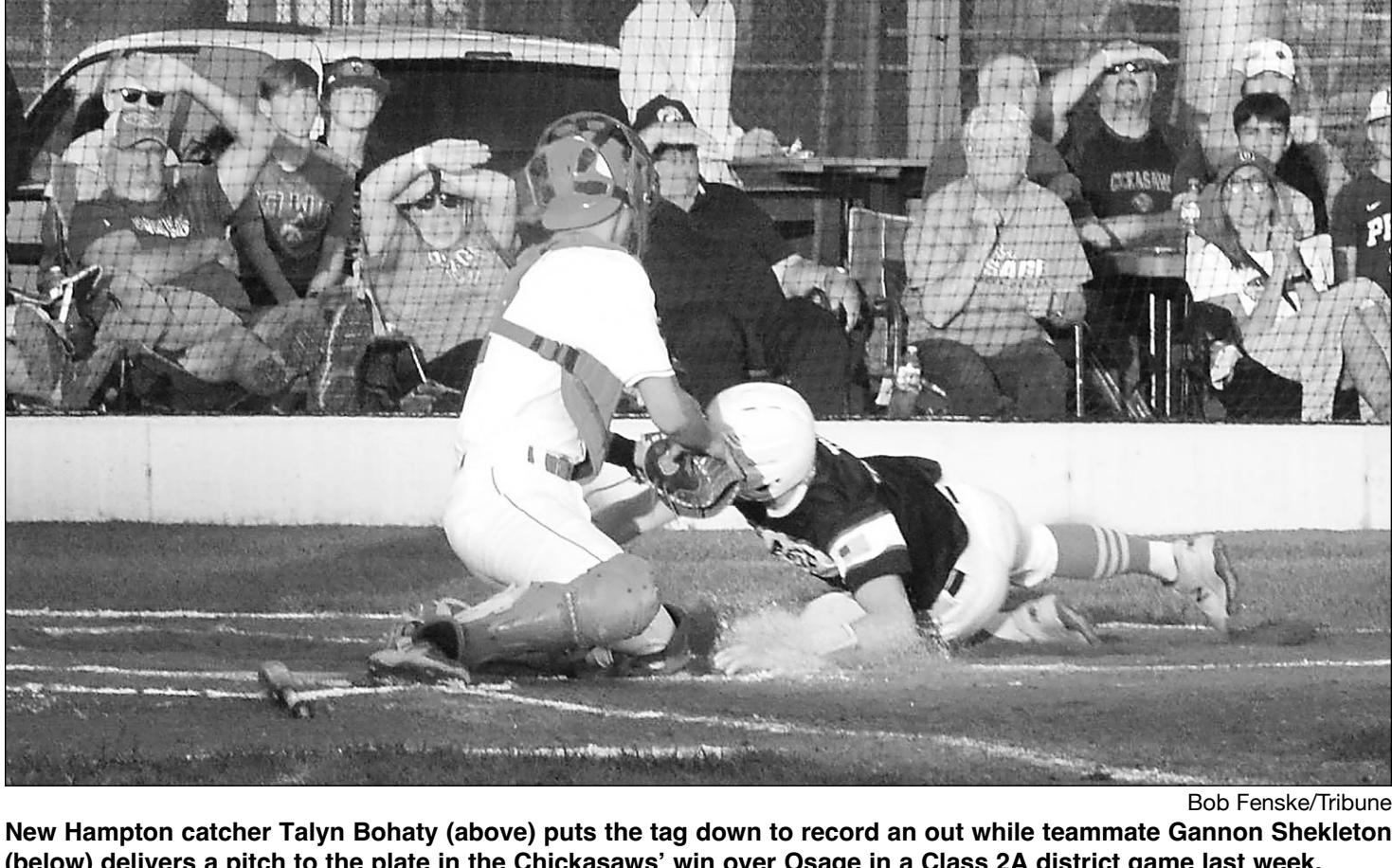
TV's eight seniors – many of them either three or four-sport athletes in their time at TV – will definitely be missed by the Turkey Valley community.

Those seniors helped reel in three consecutive UIC softball championships prior to this season.

Hackman's eight seniors that graduated and played their last TV softball game on Wednesday were Morris, Clare Courtney, Abigail Schmitt, Alison Leibold, Jaclyn Schmitt, Olivia Snyder, Brianna Busta and Aubrey Hoffert.

"They had a good bond amongst themselves," said Hackman. "They were a fun group to be around."

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Pitching - Sierra Morris 6 IP, 9 H, 9 R, 4 ER, 5 BB, 0 K.



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New Hampton catcher Talyn Bohaty (above) puts the tag down to record an out while teammate Gannon Shekleton (below) delivers a pitch to the plate in the Chickasaws' win over Osage in a Class 2A district game last week.

Chickasaws rally for win in Class 2A district opener

New Hampton erases 6-3 deficit; Shekleton's single off the bag moves Chickasaws into district final for 14th straight season

BY BOB FENSKE

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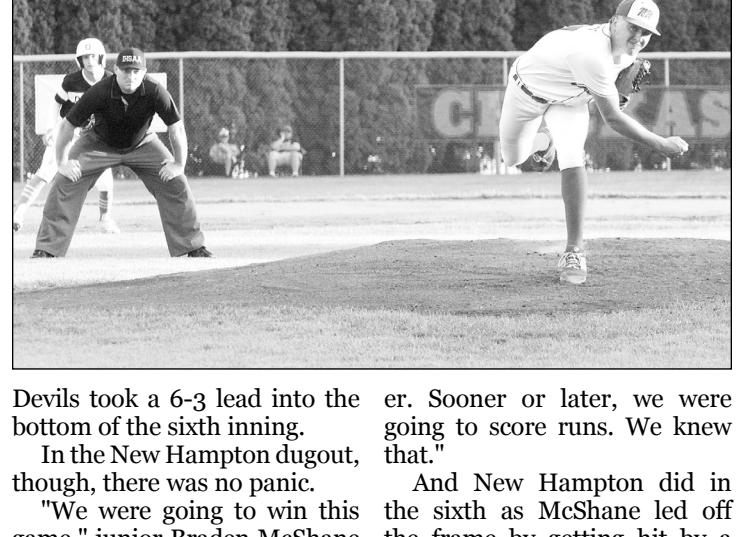
Gannon Shekleton's hard grounder headed down the line, hit first base and sailed into the air, and his New Hampton teammate, Kael Meyers, sprinted home with the game-winning run Wednesday night.

And, to a man, the Chickasaws poured out of the dugout and celebrated what, for a time at least, seemed an improbable 7-6 eight-inning victory over Osage in the Class 2A district tournament.

"My thought was just to hit it hard somewhere," Shekleton said, "and I just went with the pitch and that's where it took me. I knew Kael would score because I knew he was flying by that time."

He was and when he touched home plate, New Hampton had not only improved to 23-9 but also earned a trip to the district tournament championship for a 14th consecutive year. For a while, though, that streak of appearing in district title games seemed to be in jeopardy.

Osage's ace, Maddox Cockrum, was pitching solidly, and thanks to an offense that included a two-run home run by Heath Voigt, the Green



Devils took a 6-3 lead into the bottom of the sixth inning.

In the New Hampton dugout, though, there was no panic.

"We were going to win this game," junior Braden McShane said. "That's it. That was the attitude."

It started with the work that Jaxon Eckley and McShane did on the mound. Eckley came in for Shekleton and held the Green Devils at bay for 2 2/3 innings while McShane was brilliant in his 2 1/3 innings as he struck out four and walked just one.

"I knew it was a situational thing," Eckley said, "and my job was to string some outs together."

Sooner or later, we were going to score runs. We knew that."

And New Hampton did in the sixth as McShane led off the frame by getting hit by a pitch and Peyton Anderson reached on an infield single. That brought Ben Gilbert to the plate, and the junior put down a perfect sacrifice bunt that turned into more when Cockrum threw wildly to first that gave New Hampton a run and left Anderson at third and Gilbert on second.

With one out, Eckley, who had already laced a single and drilled a two-run double, lined a single that scored Anderson, and with two outs, Shekleton fought off a good two-strike pitched and dumped a single over the head of Osage's third baseman to plate Gilbert and knot the game at six.

"Not the hardest ball I've

ever hit," Shekleton said with a laugh, "but seriously, all you're trying to do with two strikes is put the ball in play and see what happens. If you put in play, good things can happen."

McShane breezed through both the seventh and eighth innings, and New Hampton's winning rally started when Meyers hustled his way to first for an infield single. He took second when Eckley's grounder to second turned into an error. And with two outs, "Sheck" delivered.

The win moved top-seeded New Hampton into Saturday's district title game against third-seeded MFL-Mar-Mac, which built a 6-1 lead over second-seeded Waukon only to see the Indians rally to tie the game in the bottom of the seventh before coming up with a single run in the ninth to keep their season alive.

"We believed," McShane said. "It's that simple. We were going to find a way to win that game."

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES July 3, 2023

The Board convened on Monday,

July 3, 2023, at 9:01 AM with members

Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the 2nd floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa, absent Breitbach, Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Sheriff Ryan Shawer, and Kathy Shekleton.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinski to approve the agenda for July 3, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes; Suckow, Cerwinski, Hackman, Kuhn. Absent; Breitbach. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve the meeting minutes from June 26, 2023 with a change. Roll Call: Ayes; Hackman, Cerwinski, Suckow, Kuhn. Absent; Breitbach. Motion carried.

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MFL's three-run seventh ends banner season for Chickasaws

NH BASEBALL: FROM 16

and sixth frames.

New Hampton – despite the incredible power it demonstrated at the plate in the form of extra-base hits – left 12 runners on base. The Chickasaws struck out 11 times against a trio of Bulldog pitching.

"This time of year – playoffs – it's all about the timely hit," said McDonald. "We weren't able to get that hit and we needed that for that extra run that obviously proves to be pretty important at the end."

MFL (20-11) broke a scoreless tie in the top of the fourth against New Hampton's senior ace – Gannon Shekleton – after Elias Hatt's RBI single up the middle made it 1-0.

New Hampton would answer right back in the bottom half of the fourth with three runs of its own.

Kael Meyers smoked a two-RBI double to right field that one-hopped the wall in right field and New Hampton was on top, 2-1. Meyers would come around to score on a wild pitch to give New Hampton a 3-1 lead.

That lead would stick until the top half of the seventh when MFL began its rally against reliever Braden McShane. MFL coaxed a hit by pitch and a walk to lead off the frame. Bryce Radloff's bunt near the pitcher's mound would prove costly for New Hampton as McShane's throw to first was not caught and allowed MFL's second run to score. The throw back in from the outfield where the ball ended up in foul ground didn't find its mark at home plate in an attempt to get the runner from first out who was racing around the basepaths. That tied the contest at 3-3 as he slid on home after the errant throw.

With a runner on second and no outs, MFL sacrificed the runner to third. Jacob Schellhorn's bunt single made it first and third one out a hit later. Schellhorn stole second and then Ben Krambeer's high chopper to shortstop on a drawn-in infield was fielded by Shekleton but the eventual winning run scored.

Krambeer would send the Chickasaws down in order in the bottom of the seventh and the upset was complete as Bulldog faithful rejoiced.

New Hampton's doubles came from Meyers – who stroked a couple two-baggers – Shekleton, Talyn Bohaty and Carsyn Leistikow.

Shekleton – who pitched to an 8-0 mark on the hill in the regular season – allowed just one earned run and struck out

seven over four innings of work. He only walked one.

But New Hampton's coach wouldn't let one loss remove the luster from a season in which New Hampton overcame so much.

"I think overachieving is really a foundation of Chickasaw baseball," said McDonald. "This is a group that epitomized a group of guys who, mostly because of injuries, we were forced to just know they had to overachieve and they did. I'm just really proud of that."

Meyers was lost for the year – at least when it came to the pitching mound – in the first week of the season in the pitching department after tearing a ligament in his elbow and McShane missed a good chunk of the season with a hamstring injury.

The Chickasaws possessed a lot of positive attributes this season and one of them was moxie.

"I don't know how much people know about this team but we overcame some significant injuries this entire season," said McDonald. "We were battling injuries the entire year to some of our best players – not just on our team – quite frankly, some of the best players in northeast Iowa. We coaches are incredibly proud of this team's perseverance and toughness."

The Chickasaws' accomplishments under the direction of McDonald are flat-out impressive.

New Hampton played in the district final for the 14th consecutive season and worked its way to a 15th-straight winning season.

"We had an absolute blast this summer as a team," said McDonald. "These guys truly enjoyed playing baseball with each other. That's probably what's going to hurt the most is they don't get a chance to do it again."

New Hampton graduated five seniors – Shekleton, Leistikow, Peyton Anderson, Aiden Roberson and Evan Knowlton. New Hampton will return key core players next summer in another quest to make a run toward the state tournament.

"It will be a group that I will remember for a long time," said McDonald.

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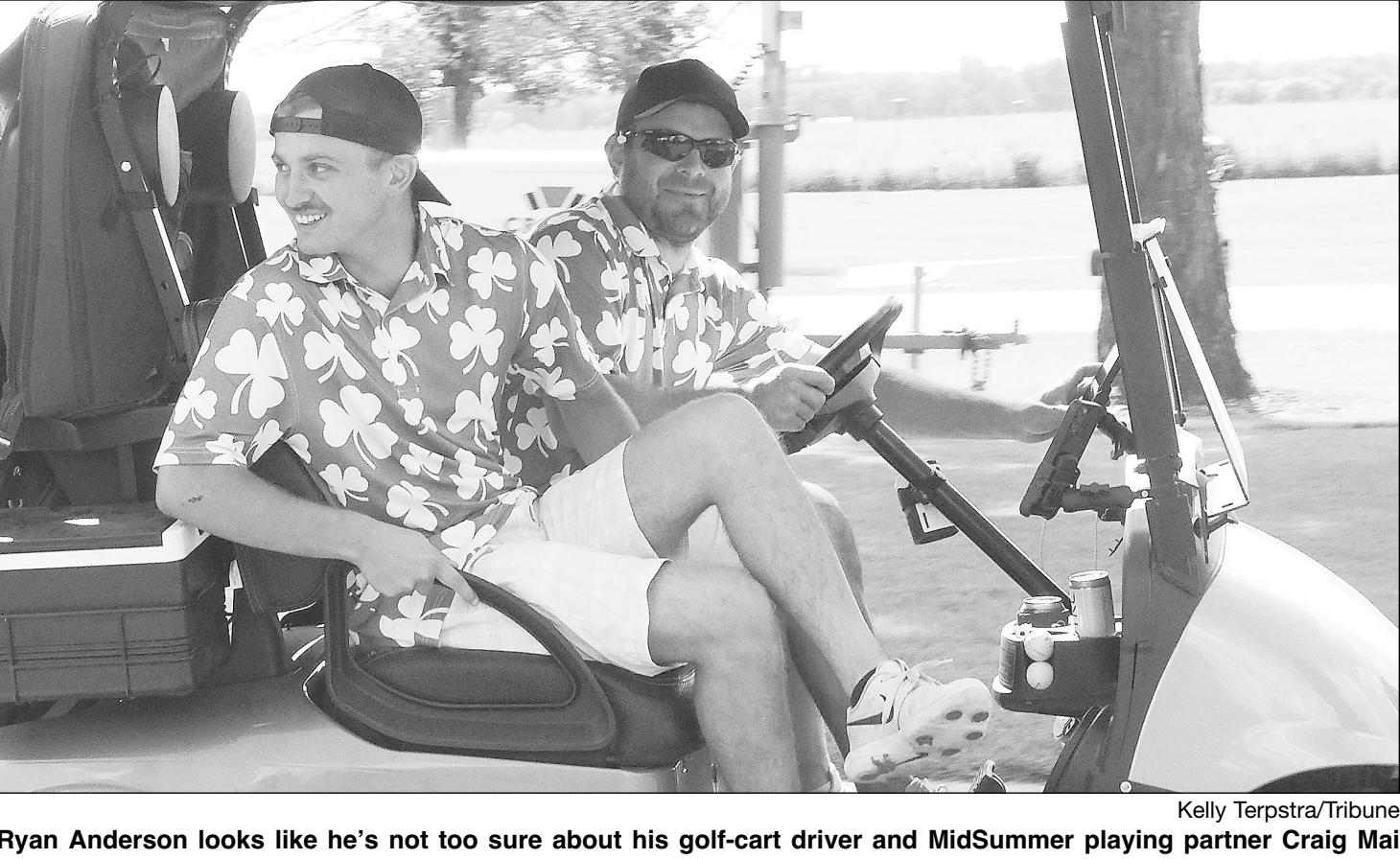
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2B - Kael Meyers 2, Talyn Bohaty, Shekleton, Carsyn Leistikow. Runs - Meyers 1, Ty Robinson 1, Peyton Anderson 1. Hits - Meyers 2, Anderson 2, Bohaty 1, Shekleton 1, Leistikow 1. RBIs - Meyers 2.



Ryan Anderson looks like he's not too sure about his golf-cart driver and MidSummer playing partner Craig Mai during the tournament that was played Saturday and Sunday at the New Hampton Golf and County Club.

MidSummer has a long, rich history

MidSummer: From 16

the 60s and early 70s. His career spanned eight seasons in the big leagues.

Duane Josephson came up with the idea back in 1982 to start the golf tournament – which features 72 players in two-men teams that are comprised of a NHGCC member and guest playing partner that duel it out over the course of 36 holes in a best-shot format.

"I know how it got started – guys sitting around drinking beer at the old bar," smiled Jeff. "It was just dad and a bunch of guys sitting around."

Obviously, this classic means a lot on a personal level to Jeff and his family.

"There's a lot of people playing this tournament that know dad very, very well. That's huge," said Jeff. "It's the camaraderie. It's a reunion of everybody meeting at the MidSummer."

The "Midsummer" has grown exponentially since those first formative years and is much sought-after to play in.

"There's a waiting list. If you can get in, it's one that you want to be in and stay in for years to come," said Brad Shatek.

Shatek, a NHGCC member and Vice President of Fidelity Bank & Trust in New Hampton, won the tournament for the fourth time with his playing partner Craig Kobliska.

The duo won the championship flight by two strokes over last year's winners

– Jordan Rommes (member) and Logan Schweinefus (guest). Shatek – who graduated from NHHS in 2006 – shot a 57-61-118 with Kobliska, a 2005 New Hampton grad that lives in Mason City. Rommes/Schweinefus were runners-up with a 60-60-120 and the tandem of Nolan Boyd/Noah Stochl was third (127).

The powerful and proficient combo of Shatek and Kobliska out on the links previously won the "MidSummer" in back-to-back years in 2014-2015. They won it again in 2017.

First place is nice, but making memories with old buddies is even better. That's what the "MidSummer" is really all about.

"When I look back on all the tournaments – to win is great – it's the good time that you have and the memories that you build up from each one that stick with you the most," said Shatek. "It's a big reunion. It's always good to see the same faces every year that you've seen since you've been playing in it."

Jeff's playing partner at the "MidSummer" was his brother-in-law – UTEP (University of Texas El Paso) football coach Dana Dimel. They've been teamed up for the past 31 years.

"The people that come back every year. They make time to come back to this tournament," said Jeff. "They plan their summers around it. It's the MidSummer."

Vrzak's been asked to play in the "MidSummer" for around 16 or 17 years in

Chickasaw coach says softball team made a lot of progress in 2023

NH SOFTBALL: FROM 16

The Cougars – champions of the North Iowa Cedar League (NICL) – shut down the Chickasaws' bats in the opening round of Class 3A postseason play in Sumner.

Freshman Addi Murray – a 25-game winner inside the pitcher's circle in 2023 – pitched her fleet-footed Cougars to a commanding and convincing 8-0 win over the Chickasaws. Murray allowed just four hits and limited the damage that Chickasaw bats were able to muster up. New Hampton stranded a runner on third in the opening frame, as well as the second and fifth innings.

"She was mixing up her spots well. She had her changeup. She had her fastball. I think I heard a girl say she was throwing a curve ball, too," said Hofmeister. "When you've got three pitches like that and you throw them all well, you're gonna have success."

Murray struck out seven batters and was able to minimize damage inside the batter's

box and out on the basepaths. An obvious key point to the Cougars' game plan was to slow down junior shortstop Jenna Heeren's bat. Heeren – who could well be tabbed all-state this year – entered the make-or-break contest with 10 home runs and is a pivotal component of New Hampton's offense in her clean-up spot.

Murray neutralized Heeren's propensity to create offense by striking her out three times.

"Ever since that first Cresco game away, she has not had a blemish with hitting," said Hofmeister. "We can say she had a bad game, but she didn't miss a beat for four weeks. Some days it's not your day."

It was going to take a lot more than just Heeren's red-hot bat headed into the regional contest to take down S-F-T, though.

Jamie Jones' two-RBI double off Heeren in the first inning made it 2-0, Cougars. Heeren was pulled after that extra-base hit in favor of freshman Chickasaw Chloe Weigel – New Hampton's ace all season long.

"When you get to regional play, it's one or done and Jenna and Chloe are our best pitchers," said Hofmeister. "The goal was to have Jenna go 1-3

innings and then put Chloe in so that way they couldn't catch on to one specific person."

Murray's flair RBI single to right field made it 3-0 Cougars later on in the first frame.

S-F-T – who stole 81 bases during the regular season – plated three more in the fourth inning and two more in the fifth to keep its distance from New Hampton. The Cougars stole six bases in six attempts – three apiece by Isabel Bernard and Jana Meyer.

Weigel allowed two earned runs and struck out four in her five-plus innings of work.

NH sophomore Cora Schwickerath led off the game with a single to centerfield. Jackie Pickar, another sophomore for Hofmeister, singled in the fifth and again in the final frame. Eighth-grader Caycee Crawford singled in the second

innings.

Elaina Rosonke – one of two seniors for NH alongside second baseman Kandice Eggerichs –



New Hampton shortstop Jenna Heeren gets in position to field a throw during last week's regional game.

Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

and sophomores. I think the future is bright for this team."

S-F-T's season came to a close on Saturday as No. 6 Benton Community (27-14) defeated the Cougars, 1-0, with a walk-off run in the bottom of the ninth inning to break a scoreless tie in each team's regional semifinal. Benton takes on No. 7 Mount Vernon tonight (Tuesday) with a berth to Fort Dodge and the state tournament on the line.

Hofmeister talked about the end of the road for this particular New Hampton group – which will have high expectations next summer with many inexperienced varsity players that now have a year under their belts.

"It's kind of like Anthony (Harris) said when he was talking to the girls. It's no different than losing a state championship or the first game of the region – there's always going to be heartbreak when you lose," said Hofmeister. "We're in a great spot for next year. It's a chance if a girl has an expectation or desire of getting varsity – then your work starts tomorrow."

"I think next year is definitely a year when we can get over .500. That should be the goal for this team and make a run in the playoffs if we get everybody out for next year."

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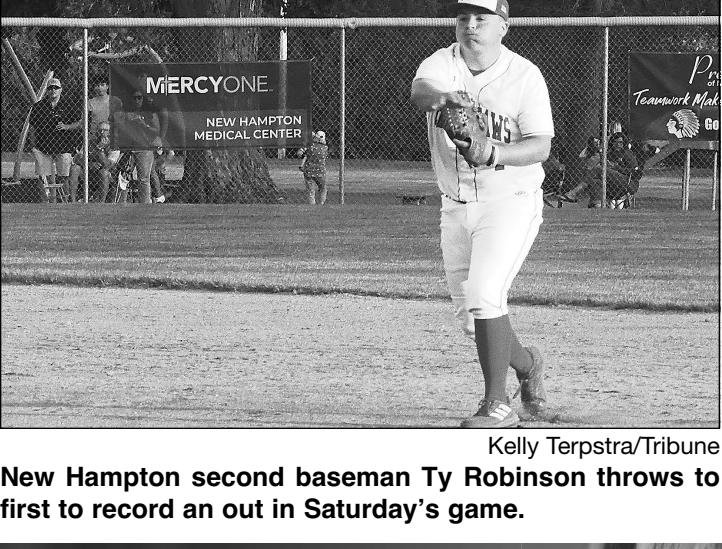
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Hits - Jackie Pickar 2, Cora

Schwickerath 1, Caycee Crawford 1.



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New Hampton second baseman Ty Robinson throws to first to record an out in Saturday's game.

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Retirement downsizing

There are a variety of ways to scale back and still enjoy life

Many advertisements depict retirement as the equivalent of living out your golden years in an all-exclusive resort.

For most of us, however, retirement involves scaling back in order to make savings, retirement funds, pensions and Social Security contributions go as far as they possibly can.

Examine expenses

Efficient, cost-conscious downsizing should always start with your everyday expenses. It can be truly surprising how much money goes into unneeded purchases, luxury items and add-on spending.

Begin by creating an honest account of what you spend, with an eye on what can be cut.

For instance, making your nest egg go as far as possible might require you to make your own coffee, rather than overpaying at the corner bodega. Consider playing golf at the municipal course.

instead of the glitz (and expensive) country club.

You might also have to make a sizable outlay of cash if you decide to move — and that can create additional budget pressure. Make sure your spending is in line with your long-range goals.

Lifestyle changes

As we grow older, our lifestyles inevitably change.

There may be an opportunity to leverage these evolving needs into your downsizing project.

Looking to do less yard work? Trade in your multi-acre tract of land out in the country for city life.

Want a closer sense of community? Consider selling your home and moving into a community retirement home or development.

Want to be closer to family so you can spend holidays with the grandchildren?

Perhaps they have a garage or extra room that can accommodate these plans. By making smart choices that align with your goals, you may be able to greatly extend your retirement funds.

Before you sell

If you decide to move out of your current home, there are multiple options that can guide your future savings.

Homes that have greatly appreciated are the best candidates for sale, since you can quickly grow your savings with the proceeds.

Others may choose to rent the home in order to create a new income stream, if the situation allows it.

Just remember that there may be additional expenses associated with managing these properties as rentals.

Either way, switching to a smaller space can save money on your monthly note, as well as upkeep.



Retirement doesn't necessarily mean giving up work

Retirement is an opportunity to wave goodbye to the daily grind. Retirees may focus on rest and relaxation, and many make travel a major component of their lifestyle.

According to a 2022 Gallup poll, Americans expect to retire at an average age of 66, up from 62 in 2012. However, most do not hold out that long; the average actual retirement age is 61. Canada used to have a mandatory retirement age of 65, but that mandate was overturned in 2009. Today, the average retirement age for Canadians is 64.4 for men and 63.8 for women, according to Statistics Canada.

Upon retiring, many retirees discover that they sorely miss getting out of the house and being productive through some

sort of employment. Others may find it necessary to supplement their retirement incomes.

There are a few things to know about working during retirement, particularly if a person is

collecting government benefits.

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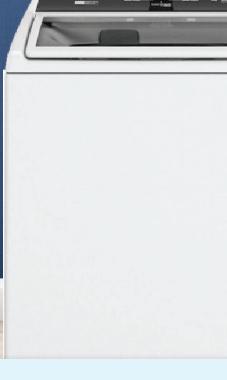


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The best babysitters

Grandparents love taking their of the 'little ones' and here's tips to keep them safe!

In most cases, your adult child and their spouse will be primary caregivers for their children.

However, sometimes they might call upon you to help watch the little ones because of their work or just because they need some time away.

How long has it been? Here's how to be ready for a return to babysitting.

In the crib

New grandparents in particular might not be familiar with some of the updates surrounding cribs. They've likely changed a lot since you raised

your own children.

These changes were initially sparked by an early 1990s-era campaign called Back to Sleep, which promoted the bedtime practice of placing children under 1 year old on their backs in the crib. The U.S. Public Health Service and American Academy of Pediatrics joined other researchers in making this recommendation after finding that those who slept on their stomachs were more likely to suffer from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

In the car

Car seats may not have even



been a requirement when your children were growing up. There are a number of choices today, designed to accommodate children at each growth stage. In some cases, laws govern how long these seats must be used.

The smallest children should be placed in rear-facing seats featuring multi-point harnesses. Buy one of your own as a new grandparent to make day trips easier — and study up on how to use them.

There are many online tutorials, and some local organizations offer instructional classes that are typically free. Your vehicle's manufacturer's manual may also include more information on specific features designed around car seats, like its latching system.

In the home

What grandparent doesn't

want to absolutely spoil the newest additions to the family? At their youngest, that's usually just fine.

But as little ones become toddlers and then move into childhood, it's important to remember that a specific set of new rules may be in place.

This can include bedtimes, dietary choices or the amount of time spent with TV or online.

Sit down and have a conversation about the parameters that have been put in place for your grandchild.

Consistency is key when raising children, and you don't want to be a source of confusion.

Provide the structure they need to stay on track, while offering them a few moments of added encouragement when they do well.

Men, take charge of your health

June was National Men's Health Month, but a statistic from a recent study shows that men of all ages (not just Boomers) need to focus more on their health.

That study showed that 65% of male participants said they avoid going to the doctor as long as possible. This can lead to worse health outcomes and complications from otherwise treatable conditions if diagnosed earlier.

Most men need to pay more attention to their health. Compared to women, men are more likely to smoke and drink, make unhealthy or risky choices, put off regular checkups and medical care.

There are also health conditions that only affect men, such as prostate cancer and low testosterone. Many of the major health risks that men face - like colon cancer, high blood pressure or heart disease - can be prevented and treated with early diagnosis. Screening tests can identify diseases early when they are easier to treat. It's important to get the screening tests you need based on age and risk factors.

Here are a few common risks to men's health to watch out for: Excessive drinking, skipping preventive care (for example cancer screening), diabetes, mental health, sun safety and skin care and avoiding conversations about erectile dysfunction.

Men can take charge of their health in a variety of ways:

- Be on the watch for high blood pressure: American Heart Association recommends a blood pressure check every 2 years after the age of 20.

- Avoid high cholesterol: American Heart Association recommends cholesterol test every several years after age 20.

- Take prostate cancer seriously: Men over age 50, and certain groups as young as 40, or those with strong family history should discuss PSA testing with their health care provider.

- Ditto for colon cancer: American Cancer Society recommends men age 45-75 be screened. If you have family history of colon cancer you may need screening at an earlier age.

A primary care provider can help with acute health concerns as well as manage and coordinate screening tests and treatment of chronic conditions. Think of them as the quarterback of your health care team. They can discuss your health concerns with you and come up with a plan based on your needs and goals and if needed they can help coordinate specialists that may need to be consulted.

Life gets busy and it is easy to delay or skip going to the doctor. Early identification and treatment of health problems can be the difference between a simple treatment versus a much more complicated approach, and in some cases could make the difference in losing not only years of life but quality of life. And at the end of the day, we are all working towards building a better quality of life for ourselves and our loved ones.

Gentlemen, it is important to take care of yourself so you can continue to be there for your family and friends. So don't delay in talking with your healthcare provider about things you can do to improve your health.

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Find a hobby to enjoy!

The value of hobbies is undeniable. A 2014 study published in the Journal of Occupational and Organizational Psychology found that employees who engaged in creative hobbies outside of work were more creative on work projects and had a better attitude on the job, while a separate study published in Psychosomatic Medicine in 2009 reported that individuals who engaged in enjoyable leisure activities had lower blood pressure and a smaller waist circumference.

The myriad benefits of hobbies is good news for seniors, many of whom have ample time for leisure activities. Whether seniors are retired or still working but free from the responsibilities of parenting, the following are some fun and engaging hobbies to fill that free time.

Cooking: Years spent hustling and bustling through the daily grind of personal and professional obligations might have forced individuals to embrace cooking that emphasized convenience over culinary skill. Now that there's more time to embrace one's inner Emeril, seniors can look to cooking classes or take the self-taught route and purchase a new cookbook filled with delicious recipes. A well-cooked homemade meal can provide a



sense of accomplishment and affords seniors an opportunity to control the ingredients in the foods they eat, which can be important for individuals with health-related dietary restrictions.

Writing: Many successful individuals have penned their memoirs after long, notable careers and lives. While individuals needn't follow suit with the goal of making their memoirs public, writing can be a great way for seniors to document their own lives and the lives of their families. Interest in genealogy has risen considerably in recent years, as easily accessible websites like Ancestry.com and 23andMe.com have made it easier than ever for individuals to learn where they came from. Seniors can contextualize the information provided by genealogy websites by writing about their personal experiences and sharing what they know about the lives of their parents, siblings,

grandparents, and other family members.

Gardening: Seniors looking for hobbies that get them out in the great outdoors need look no further than their own backyards. Gardening can benefit the body in myriad ways. According to the Mayo Clinic Health System, gardening can burn as many calories as working out in the gym. In addition, the MCHS notes that individuals who grow their own fruits and vegetables are more likely to include those foods in their own diets, thus saving them money at the grocery store and also increasing their intake of nutrient-rich foods.

Swimming: Swimming is an ideal exercise for seniors, as it's low-impact but still a great way to utilize the entire body. A 2007 study published in the journal Quality of Life Research found that water-based exercise improves older adults' quality of life and decreases disability.

Working is one way to 'get out of the house'

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- According to the Social Security Administration, those falling under full retirement age for the entire year (which was raised to age 67 for those born in 1960 or later) will be subjected to an SSA deduction of \$1 from your benefit payments for every \$2 you earn above the annual limit.

For 2022, that limit is \$19,560. In the year you reach full retirement age, SSA deducts \$1 in benefits for every \$3 you earn above a different limit, but they only count earnings before the month you reach your full retirement age. For full retirement age reached in 2022 your limit on earnings for the months before full retirement age is \$51,960. After full retirement age, there is no limit on earnings.

- The Financial Consumer Agency of Canada reports that individuals between the ages of 60 and 65 who continue to work while receiving a Canadian Pension Plan (CPP) retirement benefit must still contribute to the CPP.

Your CPP contributions will go toward post-retirement benefits.

These benefits increase your retirement income when you stop working. However, if you continue to work while getting a CPP retirement pension and are between the ages of 65 and 70 years old, you can choose not to make any more CPP contributions.

- Keep in mind that if you are on Medicare, extra income could potentially trigger surcharges for parts B and D.

It's beneficial to speak with a financial consultant to weigh the pros and cons of part-time work during retirement.

- Part-time work does not need to be daily work. Many retirees work according to how they feel.

Some options include seasonal jobs, such as driving shuttles in national parks or working during the holidays in retail stores.

Or you may use your expertise to consult or start a business.

- A number of people work part-time during retirement simply to get out of the house.

Jobs that help you interact with a number of people can be beneficial, as socialization has been shown to benefit the mental health of seniors.

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MidSummer hits all the right notes once again



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Casey Mai and his playing partner, Aaron Morris (left), share a laugh with the duo of Mitch Rosonke and Kyle Bouska Saturday afternoon.

Shatek, Kobliska win title at annual golf tournament that is ‘pretty special’

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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The heatwave enveloping the Lone Star State was reason alone for Dallas resident M.J. Vrzak to make the trek up to Iowa and hang out with his old friends at the New Hampton Country Club this past weekend.

The 1999 New Hampton High School graduate circles the calendar every year in early July to make sure he has plans to be a part of a tradition that has been going strong for over four decades now in Chickasaw County.

Vrzak once again took part in Josie’s MidSummer Classic – a sure-fire sign in New Hampton that summer is in full swing.

Vrzek loves to golf. What he doesn’t like are the hot temps that have made



Photo courtesy of Brad Shatek
Winners of the MidSummer this year were Craig Kobliska and Brad Shatek.

the state of Texas feel like a humidifier switched to full blast.

“I like the weather. Shoot, Texas sucks,” said Vrzak. “Texas is hot. It’s

just been so humid there. The heat index has been horrible. I just like this atmosphere with all my friends and family.”

Josie’s MidSummer Classic at the New Hampton Golf & Country Club was held for the 41st time this past weekend. The “MidSummer” means a lot to a whole bunch of people that set this date aside to participate in the fun-filled, fundraising golf event that is named in honor of one of New Hampton’s favorite sons – the late Duane “Josie” Josephson.

“It’s pretty special,” said Jeff Josephson, oldest son of Duane – a New Hampton High School grad and former MLB catcher for the White Sox and Red Sox that was Chicago and Boston’s behind-the-plate general in

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Turkey Valley makes No. 2 Lynx go distance

North Linn uses quick start, tops Trojans 9-0

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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The rematch on paper didn’t favor Turkey Valley – obviously. So the Trojans knew going into their Class 1A regional clash with powerhouse North Linn that they would be a decided underdog in this the second installment of the two team’s squaring off against each other this season.

The Lynx (35-6) – ranked No. 2 in the small-school prep softball class in the state of Iowa – demonstrated their worth with another sound effort against Junior Hackman’s Trojans last week Wednesday on the Lynx’s home diamond near the tiny unincorporated community of Troy Mills.

The end result read 9-0 on the scoreboard in favor of North Linn – which placed fourth at the state tournament last year and features all-state performers Ellie Flanagan (senior pitcher) and junior shortstop Skyler Benesh.

“We had three of four errors in the first couple innings again and dug a hole. Then we found a way. After the second inning we played them 2-0 for the next four innings,” said Hackman.

The final outcome – even despite trailing 7-0 after the first two frames – was a definite improvement from when the last time the Trojans and Lynx hooked up in the third game of the regular season, clear back on the last day of May.

That outcome lasted just three innings, a game North Linn won 12-0.

“We played hard the whole game,” said Hackman about TV’s second postseason tilt and rematch with North Linn. “We didn’t give up.”

TV – which finished the season 13-20 – made strides toward the end of the season. The Trojans blew the doors off Upper Iowa Conference rival Central Elkader – 12-1 – to start postseason play.

Flanagan faced just one batter over the minimum in her complete-game no-hitter. TV freshman catcher Maici Weber was the only reason Flanagan didn’t toss a perfect game as her first-inning bouncer in the hole near first base wasn’t fielded cleanly by Lynx second baseman Mackenzie Bridgewater and ruled an error. That third batter of the game for TV would be its only runner, as Flanagan struck out 11 and did not issue a free pass. Bridgewater provided the offensive fireworks for the Lynx at her leadoff spot. The sophomore slap hitter was 3-4 at the dish with a double and three runs scored.

Flanagan did not pitch in the regular season game versus TV. Lynx sophomore Kylie Munson pitched in the three-inning regular season contest and allowed three hits. She struck out five and did not walk a batter.

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New Hampton’s Kael Meyers (above) celebrates his two-run double and assistant coach Jordan Rommes (below) comforts Chickasaw senior Aiden Roberson after the Chickasaws saw a 3-1 lead turn into a 4-3 defeat to MFL-Mar-Mac in Saturday’s Class 2A district championship game.

HEARTBREAK AT MIKKELSON

BULLDOGS RALLY IN SEVENTH INNING TO TOP NEW HAMPTON 4-3 AND END CHICKASAWS’ SEASON

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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The tenor of Cory McDonald’s voice was somber on Saturday night at Mikkelsen Park.

The leader of the Chickasaw baseball program for the past 15 seasons answered questions from reporters like he often does after the completion of ball games he coaches – win or lose.

He doesn’t shy away from discussing the hard parts about baseball – of which there are many in a sport that is difficult to succeed at.

Despite the pain and heartache his talented squad experienced after MFL-Mar-Mac rallied for a stunning upset on the Chickasaws’ home diamond – McDonald stood tall and commented about a season that was one more chapter in a book filled with success and triumphs for New Hampton baseball during his tenure.

One defeat wasn’t going to change that fact.

But in the end, this one hurt a lot.

The Bulldogs’ improbable rally in the seventh inning ended New Hampton’s season

in the district final. MFL pulled off a shocker over the ninth-rated Chickasaws with three runs in the final inning to stun New Hampton, 4-3.

There would be no substitute berth and a potential third trip to the state tournament in Carroll.

This was the end of the road for New Hampton – a prime example of the nature of post-season baseball where upstarts get their wings and fly on to the next round. Favorites, like New Hampton was in its district, can also come tumbling back down to the ground.

David definitely slayed Goliath on this night.

“We tip our hat to MFL. They went out and won that game – credit to them,” said McDonald.

New Hampton (23-10) pounded the baseball against Bulldog pitching but could only come up with three runs despite stroking five doubles on the night – a season high. The Chickasaws had two runners cut down at the plate (second and fifth inning) and stranded the bases loaded in the third

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Chickasaws come up short in softball regional

New Hampton’s offense struggles in an 8-0 first-round loss to Sumner-Fredericksburg

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A youthful bunch that made steady progress, but is aiming for even greater heights in 2024.

That’s the New Hampton Chickasaw softball squad – rudimentary speaking.

With a lineup stacked with freshmen and sophomores – not to mention a very talented eighth-grade class – the Chickasaws are one to watch out for in the near future.

Did the Chickasaws and second-year coach Tate Hofmeister turn the corner this summer?

Probably not, but that’s if one bases a team’s success on its overall record.

I’m very satisfied with how the season went. On paper

it might not seem like a big improvement, but I personally think it is. It showed that girls can step up,” said Hofmeister.

New Hampton played to an 11-14 record this year under the direction of Hofmeister – a

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New Hampton’s Elaina Rosonke (above) braces herself to hit the fence after making an outstanding catch while teammate Ava Leichtman’s hustle down the line comes up just short in last week’s Class 3A regional game against Sumner-Fredericksburg.