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County faces budget questions

Board of Supervisors needs 'super majority' to pass proposed tax-asking

BY BOB FENSKE

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Even after more than an hour of discussion Monday, the great unknown remained unanswered.

Will the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors be able to come up with the "super majority" it must have to approve its 2023-24 max levy rate in the coming weeks?

And while board members expressed frustration with the slow pace of the Iowa Legislature and its handling of a valuation snafu that might cost the county close to \$50,000 in revenue next year, County Attorney David Laudner told the board that the key question it had to answer was does it have those four votes?

"The only wild card here is ... if you're going to adopt the plan you

discussed the last several weeks with RSB [Rural Services]," he said, "you're going to need a two-thirds majority to pass that resolution, which means four. So if you publish that resolution and you don't have the four votes, you're back to square one."

Auditor Sheila Shekleton, who serves as the board secretary, replied, "In other words, is everyone happy?"

And that's a critical question,

because despite working on its general basic and general services budget by drawing down on reserves and doing transfers, the county's tax-asking for those two funds is 3.6 percent greater than a year ago. And when it comes to rural services, the tax-asking in 2023-24, as it stands now, is 21.92 percent higher for next year than it

was for this year.

State law requires that whenever a county's tax-asking exceeds 2 percent growth, it needs a two-thirds majority

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New Hampton to go ahead with budget hearing

Despite uncertainty in Des Moines, City Council will follow original plan

BY BOB FENSKE

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The first of two public hearings on New Hampton's 2023-24 budget and tax levy is on ... at least for now.

The City Council will hold the first of the required two hearings during its regular meeting scheduled for this coming Monday.

Council members had approved setting Monday as the date of the hearing during a meeting earlier this month, but at the time, city leaders weren't sure if the hearing could be held because of uncertainty in the Iowa Legislature over a snafu in valuations for multi-dwelling housing.

But on Tuesday, City Clerk Karen Clemens said the city has been advised to "go ahead and follow the original plan until we find out something new."

If the Legislature does fix what lawmakers call a mistake, it could cost the city about \$25,000 in property tax revenue in the fiscal year that starts July 1.

The city is proposing a tax-levy rate of \$12.15.329 per \$1,000 valuation for next year, and Clemens pointed out that number not only includes the maximum-allowed \$8.10 per \$1,000 for valuation funds but other levies ranging from the city's Community Center levy to levies covering property and liability insurance, a debt

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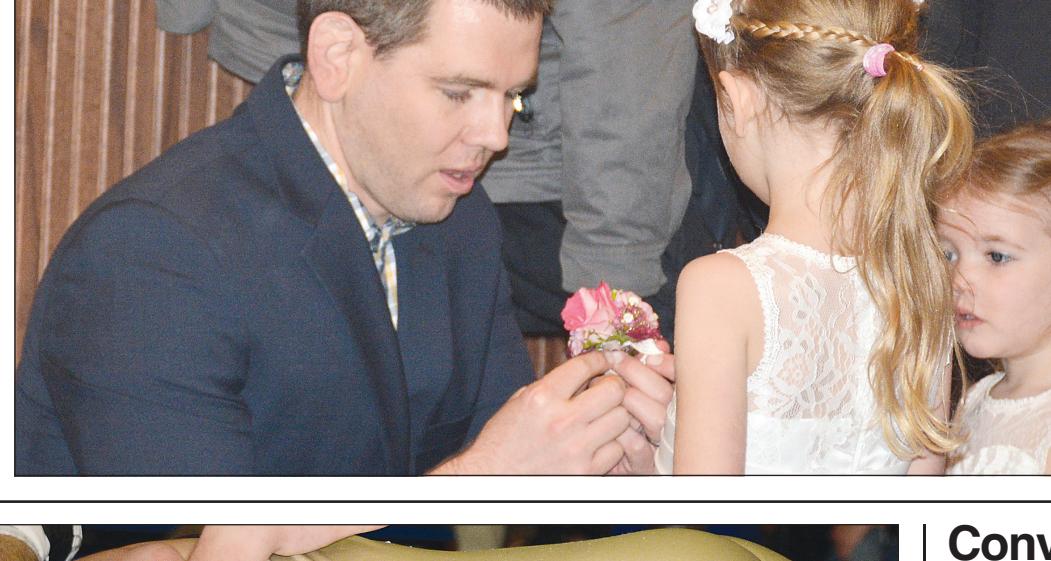


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Zoey and Tony Zeien (above) enjoy a spirited conversation while Phillip Eichenberger (below) works on the corsages for his daughters, Josie and Landrie, at the Father-Daughter Dance that was held Friday at the Pub at the Pinicon.

CREATING A MEMORY

FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE DRAWS A CAPACITY CROWD TO THE PUB AT THE PINICON



BY BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department Director Tara Hackman pondered the question — what makes the annual Father-Daughter dance such a big event? — for a long moment.

"That's a good question," she said, "but I think it's just the chance for dads and daughters, grandpas and granddaughters, to make a good memory. I do know that they come one year, and then the daughters talk their dads ears off the next year until they give up and sign up."

The 2023 version of the Father-Daughter Dance was certainly no exception; in fact, it reached capacity and then some as 172 dads and daughters attended the event that was held at the Pub at the Pinicon last Friday.

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Conversation Board is moving ahead with seasonal campsites

Director tells supervisors applications for 11 sites at Airport Lake Park are due by March 3

BY BOB FENSKE
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The concrete still needs to be poured, but everything else is ready for those who want to park their camper at Airport Lake for the entire camping season this year.

Chad Humpal, the director of the Chickasaw County Conservation Board, told the

Board of Supervisors Monday that the board is accepting applications for the new 11 seasonal campsites and that the deadline for submission is noon on Friday, March 3.

"We're excited to get these going," Humpal said in an interview the day after he updated county leaders on a

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Resounding win

New Hampton's boys basketball team opens Class 2A postseason with rout of Postville

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Nashua OKs contract with Sheriff's Office

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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The city of Nashua approved a new one-year contract for law enforcement services with Chickasaw County at last Monday's City Council meeting.

The new contract for the Fiscal Year '24 will begin on July 1, 2023 and run through midnight June 30, 2024.

The vote was 4-0 as Council members Ernie Willsher, Hal Kelleher, Tim Malven and Rhonda Dean all voted to approve the contract. Council person Samantha Johnson, whose husband is a deputy with the sheriff's office, abstained.

The contract will provide law enforcement services within the corporate city limits of Nashua.

The quantity of law enforcement services provided by the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Department shall total 2,080 hours annually during that year at a fixed rate of \$65 per hour.

That's down from the 2,880 hours the county is providing in the current contract that expires on June 30.

Additionally, the city shall pay the county an annual fee for standard "drive through services" at a rate of \$15 per capita to cover any hours that exceeded the 2,080 hours. That makes the total cost of the new contract \$158,465 a year.

Payments on the contract shall be made on a quarterly basis and that breaks down to \$39,616.25 per quarter. If the city does not make a payment within 30 days after that due date, the county may terminate this agreement.

The law enforcement services contract stipulates there will be a monthly report provided by the Sheriff's Department regarding the hours worked and activities performed under this agreement.

The law enforcement services shall include, but not be limited to, patrolling, door checks, school patrol, investigation, city council meetings, court time, completing reports relating to city activities, the enforcement of the Iowa Code and county ordinances.

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors approved the contract during a meeting late last month, and the agreement comes a year after it took the two sides several months to come up with a contract.

Last year, Nashua balked at the increase to the contract and asked the county to reduce the number of hours the sheriff's office was required to be in the city.

Supervisors then gave Nashua two different rates — one for keeping the same number of hours and one with reduced hours — but when the cost was just \$2,000 less, Nashua kept its same number of hours.

Mobile Food Bank to make monthly distribution today

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will make its monthly stop in New Hampton today (Thursday).

Food will be distributed to food-insecure families from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Those willing to volunteer are asked to be at the church by 3:45 p.m.

Snapshots from a special night!

A group of girls talk about the night ahead at the annual Father-Daughter Dance that was held this past Friday evening.



Jeremy Croell (left) poses with his two daughters, Brynnie and Haedinn, while McKenna Schueth (above) has to decide between a glow stick or a glow ring as her father, DJ, patiently waits for the final decision.

Dads and daughters enjoy a special night at dance

DANCE: FROM 1

"Holy smokes, that is the limit," Hackman said, "and as hard as it was, it was the first time we've had to turn people away. It was packed, and when we did the first dance, we had dads and daughters dancing on the carpet because the dance floor just isn't big enough."

Hackman said another reason the event works well is the number of people and organizations that help her and her assistant, Brodie Bohlen, at the dance. She pointed to New Horizons-Chamber, Bobby and Emma Schwickerath (the music providers), Barb and Matt Pickar

(the picture takers), Chris and Jackie Perkins and Bob and Kim Hackman as key components of Friday's success.

And, then there are the daughters and dads.

"I just love watching how excited the girls are," she said. "I mean they have so much fun dressing up and looking pretty."

She paused and laughed.

"The dads, on the other hand," she said, "you can tell a lot of them aren't used to the ties and all that. They're a little tight, but they do it to give their daughters a night they'll always remember..."

"And that's really special."

Mother, sons to get a bowling night

Fathers and daughters go dancing, and mothers and sons go bowling?

That would be correct as the New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring Mother/Son Disco Bowling Night on Saturday, March 11.

"We've had so many people ask us to try a mom-son event," Parks and Recreation Director Tara Hackman said, "and Bowlaway Lanes was more

than willing to partner for us."

The event will run from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and participants are encouraged to dress up in their best funky disco costume. Along with bowling, the event will include pizza, games, a photo booth and a costume contest.

The cost is \$35 per mother/son combo, with \$15 for any additional sons or mothers. For more info, call the Parks and Rec office at 641-394-5464.

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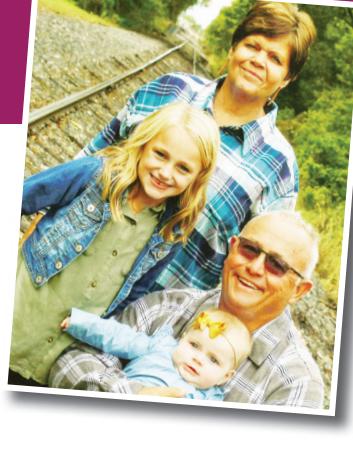
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New Hampton High Sweetheart candidates

New Hampton High School Sweetheart Dance royalty candidates include (from left) Maya Boos, Caden Rochford, Camryn Smith, Jacob McDonald, Jordan Thronson, Issac Vidales, Madison Shawver, Ben Douglas, Kylene Junk, and (absent) Emmett Kuehner. The king and queen will be crowned during the dance that will be held this Friday, beginning at 8 p.m., in the high school cafeteria.

City Council to go ahead with budget hearing

CITY BUDGET: FROM 1

service levy and two voter-approved levies, one for the Carnegie Cultural Center and one for the New Hampton Public Library.

Cities are supposed to have their budgets certified by March 31, but Clemens said she has been told by the Iowa Department of Management that the deadline will be pushed back to April 30 because of the issues in Des Moines.

Still, she said the city will proceed with its hearing on Monday unless state lawmakers come up with a bill that is signed by Gov. Kim Reynolds before Monday.

"Until we hear differently, it's just best we go ahead with it," she said. "We've published it, we'll have it, and if we have to down the road, we'll reconvene the Finance Committee and make the changes we need to make."

Briefs

Birdhouse program set for March 2

Gourds that were grown specifically for making birdhouses were donated to the Chickasaw County Conservation Board this year, and on Thursday, March 2, at 6 p.m. there will be a workshop to do that at the Twin Ponds Nature Center.

"We will talk about the process and turn those gourds into birdhouses to be put out for bluebirds or purple martins this spring," the department's newsletter says.

There will be no charge for the program, but pre-registration is required by calling 641-394-4714.

State senator to hold meeting in Fredericksburg

State Sen. Sandy Salmon, R-Janesville, will be holding a town hall meeting on Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Upham Memorial Library in Fredericksburg.

Salmon, who represents Chickasaw County in the Iowa Senate, will be on hand from 9 to 10 a.m. to talk with constituents.



Photo courtesy of Marty Wilshire

The tradition continues ...

If there's snow on the ground, trust us, New Hampton resident Danny Dietz is going to come up with something creative, and this year, the man who once built an snowman standing on his head, came up with the perfect Valentine's Day message for all of us.

Seasonal campsites will be ready by May 1

CAMPSITES: FROM 1

project they supported by using \$60,000 of county betterment funds. "The interest has been there the last few years, and we think this is going to be a great new addition to Airport Lake."

Humpal's original plan also included the construction of two cabins at Airport Lake and one at Split Rock, as well as a handicapped-accessible dock at Airport Lake, but when the Conservation Board didn't receive a state grant, he scaled his plans back to just the seasonal campsites.

"I haven't given up on the cabins or the dock," he said, "and we're going to keep pursuing grants. At the same time, though, I'm really appreciative that the supervisors supported the seasonal sites."

He said sewer lines were

installed to the 11 seasonal sites and what he called nine "long-term" sites this fall, and that the concrete pads will be poured this spring as soon as the weather allows.

"We just ran out of time and Mother Nature didn't really cooperate with us," he said, "but we'll get there and have them ready."

Those who apply for the seasonal sites must put down a \$500 deposit, and then will pay the remainder of the \$1,800 seasonal fee must be paid by April 15. He added that those who don't receive a seasonal site will be refunded their \$500 deposits.

Humpal said that the Conservation Board is still considering putting some seasonal sites in the campground at Split Rock, which is located near Fredericksburg.

"This will be a good test for us, and then we'll see how we want to proceed," he said. "This is big for us, though, and for our campers. Without the sewer lines, it means you have to hook up every couple of weeks, take the camper to our dump site and people who want to park their camper want to park it and leave it."

The seasonal campsites will be open from May 1 through Sept. 30.

Also on Monday, supervisors OK'd a plan presented by Humpal to have the Friends of Chickasaw County Conservation, a non-profit organization that supports various conservation projects and its education programs, to sell firewood at Airport Lake. Currently, firewood is not available at Chickasaw County's busiest campground.

Iowa ag secretary covers plenty of ground during visit

Naig visits with producers during First Citizens Bank event held in Charles City

BY BOB STEENSON

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The Iowa secretary of agriculture was the featured speaker Wednesday morning when a local bank branch brought together various experts to talk with area farmers and others involved in ag production and treat them to lunch.

Ag Secretary Mike Naig talked about a variety of ag-related issues and answered questions, including about the proposed carbon dioxide pipeline projects currently working themselves through the state permitting process.

"We invited our ag base to get together and listen to some wonderful speakers about agriculture and what's on the forefront," said Cathy Rottinghaus, market president for First Citizens Bank in Charles City, adding that it's important to share knowledge from various experts.

"There's a lot of different information out there and we try to provide a vehicle so farmers can learn from the different aspects, and we like the camaraderie as well," she said.

About 60 area ag producers and more than a dozen First Citizens staff were at the event, held at the Youth Enrichment Center at the Floyd County Fairgrounds.

Other speakers at the Wednesday morning program were attorney Collin Davison, from Laird Law Firm in Mason City, talking about trusts, and farm management analyst Kent Thiesse, who talked about farm inputs and the things that affect farmers as they make some choices going into the next growing season.

Iowa Ag Secretary Naig touches on many topics at First Citizens Bank ag luncheon

Secretary Naig told the Press after his talk that he always makes sure to leave plenty of time for questions and answers when he's invited to speak at an event such as the ag luncheon.

"I want to hear what's on people's minds," he said. "Asking about trade and certainly the pipeline, water quality, ... but this time of year you're really trying to roll up and take stock of, what did we experience last year, what were our main challenges, what were some of the accomplishments? And then really now we're shifting to, well, what's the new year bring us? What does 2023 have in store?"

Naig talked about the uncertainty that farmers face.

"It's true in agriculture that there are always things you can control and things you can't control, weather being chief among them. But things like the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the disruption of the global supply chain, those are things you also don't have director control over, but you certainly have to deal with them and you've got to manage risk," he said.

"It's kind of laying out just what we see looking ahead and then, what are the ways that we as the state of Iowa, or certainly the Department of Ag, can then try to enable farmers to be able to have an opportunity to do the things that they do best — and that's productive," Naig said.

A lot of the focus this year is on what will be in the next Farm Bill, with the current law expiring in September, he said, adding that it's "hugely impactful to Iowa and Iowa agriculture."

His talk, he said, "is kind

of trying to knit those together and say, here's what's happening on a policy standpoint, here's how that interacts with some of the challenges or the realities that we see on the ground. Especially this time of year you're trying to look ahead and then see what's on people's minds."

Near the end of the question and answer period, a member of the audience asked Naig about his thoughts on the CO2 pipeline projects.

Remarking he was surprised it had taken that long for the topic to be raised, Naig joked that his time was up, but then continued.

"I'm probably not going to give you a completely satisfactory answer. Let me tell you the lay of the land as I see it. I guarantee there's people with lots of opinions in the room and that's OK, you're entitled to that," he said.

Naig said he had no formal role in the decision-making process of whether any of the pipeline proposals will be approved, "but I'm watching it very, very closely, as you might imagine."

Naig said one question he is asked is if the pipelines really matter to the ethanol industry.

"The answer is yes," he said. "Whether you like it or not, whether you agree with it or not, (the pipelines offer) an upside to ethanol and that's why you've seen 35-plus ethanol plants (in Iowa) sign on to one of these projects or another."

Naig said lowering the carbon intensity score of ethanol is important to keep the biofuel competitive, and the pipelines offer a way to do that.

"A lot of it's coming from the private sector and again, you can like that or not or agree with it or not, but I'm telling you as I sit in this chair (as secretary of agriculture), it impacts and it's important to an industry that grinds 50% of the corn that we grow in the state of Iowa, so it matters," he said.

Naig said he looks at whether the companies are following state law, and especially what are their plans to make sure any land disturbed is restored to its previous condition.

Regarding the issue of eminent domain, Naig said, "I advise people all the time that you have a right to negotiate, you have a right to not agree. You have a right to be opposed. You have a right to support. I hear from a lot of folks on all sides of it."

"I think the Legislature will potentially have an opinion about eminent domain for you for certain types of projects and should there or should there not be a threshold of voluntary agreement that's in place before a project would qualify," he said. "There's been some legislation that's knocking around. I don't know that we've seen that actual bill that would move if something were going to move this year, so I'm going to reserve the right to have an opinion about that at a later date when we actually see that legislation."

Talking about water quality, Naig said there are two sides — water quality and water quantity.

He said his department worked with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources and with Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management last year to develop the state's first drought plan.



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Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig (second from right) shares a laugh with First Citizens Bank employees during a recent stop in Charles City.

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Salt is a supporting character that makes other things better and then disappears. Although the salt is invisible, everyone acknowledges its value.

Jesus said to His disciples, "You are the salt of the earth." (Matthew 5:13, NIV)

Even if we do many great works in the name of Jesus, it's of no use unless we become salt in the world.

Before we enjoy the glory of shining light, we must first melt in the world. If we become salt that quietly melts away until we are done with ourselves, we will be a light that illuminates the whole world.

There are many people who live in darkness every day. They are lost

and alone in darkness. We know what they need. They need Jesus.

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world." (Matthew 5:15, NIV) Can you hide a city that is sitting on top of a hill?

The light at night can be seen for miles. The light invites those who are lost and wandering in the darkness to hope and rest.

If we live for Christ, we will glow like lights, showing others what Christ is like. There are many opportunities to bring hope and light to



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people around you. I hope you can shine the light of Christ wherever you are.

Corinthians shows us the power of love

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails

— 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love is mentioned somewhere between 360-550 times in the Bible, depending on which translation you dig into. Friend, that is a lot of love!

Maybe it is mentioned so often because we have a God that is the pure image of love. All throughout His Word, we see His love poured out and lavished upon us.

From the beginning of His creation to His countless promises, unfailing grace and mercy, and even His righteous discipline. God's love is proven by the attention He gives to every single detail of our lives.

God's love comes with no strings attached. It is completely unconditional. It's perfect in every sense. God's love is the core and heart of the gospel. 1 Corinthians gives us a glimpse into the kind of love God has for us and asks us to share this kind of love with others.

Meaning Behind 1 Corinthians 13

Paul's first letter to the church of Corinth was to challenge believers to examine their lives against the image of Christ. He especially placed a lot of focus on love — Christ's love. His mission was to unify the church and bring them together in fellowship.

At the time, the church gatherings were a little chaotic and disorganized. While their mission was to share the good news, they were focused more on being heard and becoming prideful rather than delivering and dispensing their knowledge in love.

So, it is not by accident that this chapter on love is perfectly sandwiched between two passages on spiritual gifts.

Paul was encouraging the church to use their knowledge of Christ and spiritual gifts to spread the love of Christ, but to do so — in love. Basically, saying you can do all the right things, but if you don't have love, you have nothing (1 Corinthians 13:2-3).

The underlying meaning of 1 Corinthians 13 is that as followers, we are to imitate the love of Jesus by using our gifts while serving and loving others just as He did!

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

1 Corinthians 13:4-5

So, how do we do that? That is where the well-known and beloved verse of 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 comes in. If we are called to share the love of Christ, we must first understand how He loved.

Characteristics of Love

While many of the characteristics listed below are self-explanatory, we must view them through the lens of Christ. Also note that these characteristics of love may be easy to say, much harder to actually live out. Let's discover them together.

1. Love is patient and kind. Patience is not an easy virtue to maintain in our everyday lives. Whether it is an eye roll from my teen or a snarky remark from a neighbor, impatience can quickly set in, leaving a reaction that is short of being kind.

Yet, we are called to be just that. Patient and kind. If we want to share the love of Christ with others, we must do so in a gentle way, with a patient approach.

Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage — with great patience and careful instruction (2 Timothy 4:2).

2. It does not boast. We see a contrast at this point in the verse. While love is patient and kind, now we hear what it is not. Love is not boastful or self-seeking. Yet, how often do we like to pride ourselves in the good we are doing with selfish intentions?

Unfortunately, selfishness is part of our human nature. We want to be heard, to be liked, and recognized for our good deeds.

However, this verse completely flips that train of thought around. As believers, we are to place ourselves aside and magnify the needs of others.

Not only that, but we are to boast only in our Lord, recognizing that He is the One that is using every circumstance for good.

This is why our testimonies are vital, as we get to share how God is so good and faithful.

Not only so, but we also glory in our

sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us (Romans 5:3-5).

3. It keeps no record of wrongs.

The infamous scoreboard between two passionate people is nothing new. We see how the disciples doubted, denied, and betrayed Jesus, comparing their love for Him against one another.

Yet while Jesus may have been hurt by these actions, he forgave them and never spoke of it again. He never kept score.

We are called to do the same. Freely forgive and then...let it go. As followers of Christ, we should heed Jesus' example. When the scoreboard wants to come out, we must take our hurt to our Father and let Him cleanse our hearts first while seeking His wisdom and guidance.

But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked (Luke 6:35).

4. It is a truth seeker.

Loving seeks out the truth. The real Truth. As we are bombarded with countless views, logic, and data by our culture and society today, we can ingest multiple mixed messages and grow confused about what is actually true. It's quite possible that we need Truth now more than ever!

The Truth we find in His Word is solid and stands firm. We can find the evidence that God's Holy Word is based on Truth, and the heart of it is love by holding on to these facts:

With all the various writers of the 66 books in the Bible, they all share one message: there is one true God, and He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to redeem this lost and fallen world.

We see can see the handiwork of a Creator all around us.

Prophecies that were foretold came to be. Those that earnestly seek God through prayer and praise live with unexplainable peace.

We are offered hope of a life after this one.

But he continued, 'You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world (John 8:23).'

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Pastor Sarah Namukose
Service time: 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Don't Let Fear Drive Investment Decisions

In the past year, we've seen some big swings in the financial markets. This volatility may make you feel as if you have little control over your investment success. But the truth is, you do have more control than you might think — as long as you don't let fear guide your decisions.

Investment-related fear can manifest itself in a few different ways:

- Fear of loss** — Some investors may emphasize avoiding losses more than achieving gains. Consequently, they might build portfolios they consider very low in risk, possibly containing a high percentage of certificates of deposit (CDs) and U.S. Treasury securities. Yet, a highly conservative approach carries its own risk — the risk of not achieving enough growth to stay ahead of inflation, much less meet long-term goals such as a comfortable retirement. To reach these goals, you'll want to construct a diversified portfolio containing different types of assets and investments — each of which may perform differently at different times. Your objective shouldn't be to avoid all risk — which is impossible — but to create an investment strategy that accommodates your personal risk tolerance and time horizon.

- Fear of missing out** — You're probably familiar with the term "herd mentality" — the idea that people will follow the lead of others for fear of missing out on something. This behavior is responsible for fads or the sudden emergence of "hot" products, and it's also relevant to investing. In fact, herd mentality may contribute to sharp jumps in the financial markets as investors drive up prices by buying stocks to avoid being left behind. And the same may be true in reverse — when the market starts dropping, skittish investors may accelerate the decline by selling stocks so they, too, can get out before it's too late. Buying or selling investments should be considered as needed to help advance your long-term financial strategy — not in response to what others are doing.

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- Fear of the unknown** — Some investors fall victim to "familiarity bias" — the tendency to invest only in what they know, such as local or domestic companies. But this behavior can lead to under-diversified portfolios. If your portfolio is dominated by just a few investments, and these investments are fairly similar to each other, you could experience some losses when the inevitable market downturn occurs. To help reduce the impact of market volatility, it's a good idea to spread your investment dollars across large and small companies in a range of industries and geographical regions. And that's just on the equities side — it's also wise to consider further diversifying your portfolio by owning bonds and government securities. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.)

- Fear of admitting failure** — Some individuals don't like to admit when they've been wrong about something, and they may continue the same failed activities, hoping for eventual success. This behavior can be costly in the investment arena. Sometimes, a particular investment, or even an investment strategy, just doesn't work out, but an investor is determined to stick with it — even if it ultimately means considerable financial loss. Don't let his happen to you — if it becomes apparent you need to change your investment approach, move on to something better. Fear can hold us back in many walks of life — but don't let it keep you from making appropriate investment moves.

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Bob Steenson/Charles City Press

Floyd County sheriff's deputies help investigate the scene of a buggy vs. motor vehicle accident Tuesday afternoon west of Colwell. Six people — two adults and four children — were injured in the accident,

Floyd County crash sends six to hospital

BY BOB STEENSON

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A collision on a rainy, dreary Tuesday afternoon less than half a mile west of Colwell involved a horse-drawn buggy and a pickup truck and sent the six buggy occupants to the hospital.

No information was immediately available as to the extent of their injuries.

According to a preliminary report by the Iowa State Patrol, a 1998 Chevrolet 1500 pickup

driven by Jim Whitmarsh, age 66, of Charles City, was traveling east in the 3100 block of 140th Street when it struck the rear of a horse-drawn buggy that was also traveling east on that road.

The impact caused the buggy occupants to be ejected, the State Patrol report says.

In the buggy were Charles City residents Lavern Stauffer, age 32, and Teresa Stauffer, age 27, along with a boy age 4 and three girls, ages 6, 2 and an infant.

Ambulances, law enforcement and other emergency services were called from around the area to respond to the incident, which occurred at about 3:40 p.m. Tuesday. Emergency radio scanner traffic indicated that the Mercy AirOne helicopter in Mason City had been requested but was unable to respond.

Lavern Stauffer was transported by Chickasaw County EMS, and the rest of the injured buggy occupants were transferred by AMR ambulance. All

six were transported to Floyd County Medical Center, which closed its ER to other incoming transports for a while as it cared for all those injured in the buggy accident.

The accident remains under investigation by the Iowa State Patrol. Also assisting at the scene were the Floyd County Sheriff's Office, Colwell Fire Department, Floyd Fire Department, Floyd County Search and Rescue, AMR ambulance and Chickasaw County EMS.

Supervisors aiming for March 6 budget hearing

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

from supervisors to be approved. In counties that have just three supervisors, that means a simple 2-1 vote. Chickasaw County, though, has five supervisors, and that means four of the five must approve it to exceed the two-third majority.

"That's why for the last couple of weeks," Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said, "I've asked is there anything else we want to look at? Is there anything else we want to change? Let's do it now; instead of waiting another week."

Supervisor Jake Hackman said that if the county doesn't get the super majority, "you're stuck at 2 percent growth. I don't think there's a second reading on it. If you don't get the four votes on March 6, it's 2 percent."

Laudner disagreed.

"It doesn't say you come back and re-do it," the county attorney said, "and it doesn't say you can't, that's how I read it. If you want to do that, you have to republish it and go through all the steps."

Before Monday's meeting, supervisors were considering a tax-asking increase of 11.9 percent for general basic and general services, but Hackman said that gener-

al basic has had what he called a "very healthy" fund balance the past few years.

"Why should the taxpayer be the savings account for the county?" he asked. "So don't ask for it if you don't need it."

Other supervisors agreed, but even though the board lowered its tax-asking to 3.6 percent, that still needs a super majority to pass.

The bigger question though is RSB.

Hackman again pushed for more American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to be used to pay the county's portion of the new ambulance service, and said he wouldn't support the increase proposed for RSB.

"I'm just being fair, I won't support 21.92 percent," he said. "I mean if you're down to 10 or 15 percent change, but not at 22 percent."

And while the other supervisors all said they could support the general basic/general services increase, none of them indicated how they would vote on publishing the increase to RSB.

The plan, at least as of Monday, is to have supervisors vote this coming Tuesday — the board is not meeting on Monday, which is President's Day — on a resolution setting a public hearing for March 6 on the

budget, and Laudner again urged the board to reach some kind of consensus.

"When these numbers are finalized and put together next Tuesday, when you publish these numbers," he said, "you better make damn sure there's four of you that will support the resolution; otherwise, we are in completely uncharted territory."

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Although board members did spend much of Monday's meeting on the 2023-24 budget and tax levy, they also discussed the Heritage Building Center.

Sheriff Ryan Shawver asked the board if it would consider moving Judicial Court Services to the building to free up space at the Sheriff's Office.

That led Hackman to make a motion to turn three more of the old county home's bedrooms into office suites, and supervisors agreed to fund the painting and electrical work that needs to be done.

The Heritage is currently housing county and non-profit offices that were at 910 E. Main Street, but the supervisors have agreed to sell that property for \$100,000 to a company that wants to place a Dollar General store on the site.

That deal, however, has still not been finalized.



Photo courtesy of Michelle Nystel/Turkey Valley High School

Students enjoy a day at the movies!

Thanks to the Turkey Valley Education Foundation, Ms. Nystel and her U.S. History students were able to take a trip to Charles Theatre in Charles City to see the movie, *A Silent Night in Algona*. During World War II Algona served as a POW camp for German POWs. While there the POWs created and gifted a nativity set to the town of Algona in December 1944. The movie followed the story of prisoners and community members as they worked through the struggles of war. Students will be learning about World War II this spring and this movie gave them an introduction to Iowa's role in the conflict.

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Sue, Jeremy, Kyle and families

Briefs

New Hampton Municipal Pool still seeking lifeguards

The New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department has made some progress on landing lifeguards for the upcoming swim season, but its director says more are still needed.

"We're making progress," she said, "and we're ahead of where we were last year at this time. But we're not there yet."

Hackman reminded potential lifeguards about the pay increases approved by the Park Board and the fact that the department is providing free training for new guards.

And those who apply before Feb. 27 will also receive a \$25 gift card from a local business of their choice.

County offices will be close Monday for President's Day

The Chickasaw County Courthouse county offices will be closed on Monday in observance of President's Day, and that means the Board of Supervisors meeting, which usually takes place on Monday will be held at 9 a.m. on Tuesday.

School students will also have the day off in New Hampton because teachers will be taking part in staff development.

Thank you can't begin to tell everyone how much, your presence, kind words, thoughts, prayers, & gifts have meant to us at the time of mom's passing. Her doctors, Home Healthcare, the staff & volunteers at Holy Family Parish for making her feel a continued connection with her church, staff & residents at Colonial Manor of Elma for making her feel at home. A big thank you to Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home for their professionalism and compassion during our difficult time.

Bill & Nancy Eischeid & family, Brenda & Gary Tenge & family, Tony & Lori Eischeid & family

Almanac

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Wednesday	41	19	--
Thursday	36	8	--
Friday	36	8	--
Saturday	40	22	--
Sunday	39	23	--
Monday	43	23	--
Tuesday	45	32	.72

Forecast

Thursday: Chance of morning snow and blustery; high 22, low 3.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 24 and a low of 16.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 38 and a low of 23.

Sunday: Partly cloudy with a high of 40 and a low of 24.

Extended forecast: Little precipitation but we'll cool off with highs in the 20s by Tuesday and overnight lows dropping into the low teens.

Meetings**MONDAY**

- New Hampton School Board, 6:30 p.m., High School Media Center.

TUESDAY

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

History

- In 1778, two future U.S. presidents — John Adams and his 10-year-old son John Quincy Adams — set sail for France, where the eldest Adams is charged with securing aid from the French government.
- In 1878, strongly supported by western mining interests and farmers, the Bland-Allison Act — which provided for a return to the minting of silver coins — becomes the law of the land.

- In 1923, English archaeologist Howard Carter enters the sealed burial chamber of the ancient Egyptian ruler King Tutankhamen.

- In 1959, Fidel Castro is sworn in as prime minister of Cuba after leading a guerrilla campaign that forced right-wing dictator Fulgencio Batista into exile.

- In 1984, Bill Johnson becomes the first American man to win an Olympic gold medal in downhill skiing, a sport long dominated by European athletes.

Birthdays

- Margot Frank, the older sister of diarist Anne Frank, was born in 1926.
- R&B singer The Weekend turns 33.

- Former American tennis star and current commentator John McEnroe turns 64.

- Rapper and actor Ice T, who starred in "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit," turns 65.

Corrections

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

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641.394.2111**Suzanne 'Susie' F. Craft, 81**

Suzanne "Susie" F. Craft, age 81 of New Hampton, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, at her home with her family by her side.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16, 2023, at Conway-Markham Funeral Home in New Hampton, with Pastor Dong Shin officiating.

Burial will be at New Hampton Cemetery.

Visitation was held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023, at Conway-Markham Funeral Home in New Hampton and will continue at the funeral home one hour prior to the funeral services on Thursday.

Online condolences may be left at www.conwaymarkham.com. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Suzanne Fay was born Nov. 24, 1941, the daughter of Jesse and Viola (Rogers) Thompson in Waterloo.

She attended and graduated from Cedar Falls High School.

After graduating, Susie worked as a bartender as she received her education as a CNA/CMA.

On Dec. 26, 1961, Susie was united in marriage to Walter Craft in Waterloo. The couple welcomed their four children — Dawn, Mary Lynn, Randy and Stacey.

They eventually made their home in New Hampton as Walter accepted a position with New Hampton Police Department. While living in New Hampton, Susie received her EMT training and worked for Chickasaw County Ambulance prior to working for Hospice of Northeast Iowa in Charles City. After retiring from Hospice, Susie worked private care. Later in life, she enjoyed working for Kwik Star in New Hampton.

Throughout the years, Susie was active in Tae Kwon Do with her daughter, Stacey, and many of her grandchildren. She proudly achieved her 4th degree black belt at the age of 74.

William 'Bill' Murphy, 85

William "Bill" Murphy, age 85 and a former resident of New Hampton, passed away on Friday, Feb. 10, 2023.

A Mass of Christian Burial took place on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023, at 1 p.m. at St. Basil Catholic Church in South Haven, Michigan, with Father Robert Flickinger celebrating the Mass.

A time of visitation was held at the church on the day of the service from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Interment will be 1:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery, New Hampton, on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with William's arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Bill's memory may be given to St. Joseph's Catholic School Scholarship Fund.

Property Transfers

Preston Mahan to Patricia Haskin; INCLUSIVE NASHUA NASHUA LAKE RESORT ADDITION Lot: 27-30 Block: 6.

Merle L. Pitz and Patricia L. Pitz to Merle L. Pitz REV TR and Patricia L. Pitz REV TR; SE 24-95-14 S1/2 LYING S RR EX NE 24-95-14.

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Adis Lee TR and Adis Lee Trust AGMT to Adis Lee; PARCEL A SE SW 23-96-12.

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**Susie Craft**

Susie also enjoyed making pies and competed at the Nashua Big 4 Fair with them, winning best lard crust pie. Susie's pride and joy were her grandchildren.

She was there to not only enjoy but cheer them on in all of their activities.

Those left to cherish her memories are her children, Dawn (Rick) Larson of New Hampton, Mary Lynn Bond-Meyer (Calvin Meyer) of Nashua, Randy (Debbie) Craft of Rolfe, and Stacey (Jackie) Bendickson of Nashua; her siblings, Linda Jones of Sumner, and Sandy (Dave) Jaschen of New Hampton; her grandchildren, Nick (Erica) Schmitt, Justin (Carrie) Schmitt, Beau (Courtney) Martin, Tyler Eckerman, Alyssa Andrade, Ben (Trisha) Martin, Heather (Anthony) Schmitt, Cassidy (Andy) Thein, Jesse (Hannah) Bendickson, Brady (Shelby) Bond, and Brittany (Michael) Bendickson; 30 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her siblings, Roger, Gary and Kay in infancy; sister-in-law (her best friend) Jane Thompson; her great-grandson, Jacob; brother-in-law, Leo "Jim" Jones; nephews, Sitman Thompson, Chris Jones, Andy Jones; and niece, Julie Jones.

Evelyn 'Sis' Wurzer, 99

Evelyn "Sis" Wurzer died Monday, Feb. 6, 2023, at her home.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Waucoma with the Rev. Nick Radloff celebrating the Mass.

Interment followed at the Alpha Cemetery with Matt Scholbrock, Brad Wurzer, Chad Wurzer, Bill Zilmer, Andy Van Sickle, Coleby Bratrud, Anthony Frey and Katie Matt serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 3 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2023, at the Waucoma Event Center. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass on Thursday at the church.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Waucoma have been entrusted with Sis' arrangements.

Evelyn Catherine Wurzer (Sis), daughter of Jacob and Josephine (Unze) Croatt, was born on Feb. 15, 1923, at St. Lucas and attended St. Lucas School.

On June 26, 1946 Sis was united in marriage with Edwin Wurzer at St. Luke's Catholic Church in St. Lucas. The couple raised eight children and farmed in the Alpha area until

**Sis Wurzer**

1979. After retiring from farming, Sis began her career as a cook and pie baker at the café in Waucoma. At the age of 96 she hung up her apron. She enjoyed cooking for family and friends who can attest they never left her house hungry.

She also enjoyed sewing, playing cards and an occasional stop at the casino. She spent her summers taking care of her flowers and mowing lawn. She would make jams and pies for everyone to enjoy from home grown fruit. Sis was known for working hard and enjoying her life fully.

Sis was a member of St

Mary's Catholic Church, the Catholic Daughters of America for 68 years, the Catholic Order of Foresters and the St. Lucas American Legion Auxiliary.

Those left to cherish her memory are her eight children, Carol Zilmer of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, Dean (Diane) Wurzer of Hawkeye, Allan (Joyce) Wurzer of Waucoma, Inez (Steve) Scholbrock of Denver, Colorado, Faye (Floyd) Winter of Waucoma, Donna (Jeff) Van Sickle of Waucoma, Sheila (Randy) Bratrud of Kensett, and Norma (Duane) Frey of Lisbon. She is also survived by 27 grandchildren; many great- and great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Rose Mary (LaVerne) Franzen; five sisters-in-law, Irma Hageman, Alvin Hemesath, Alvina Hemesath, Doris Smith and Margaret Wurzer; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Sis was preceded in death by her husband Edwin (2004); a son-in-law, Donald Zilmer; two grandchildren, Brian Wurzer and Nathan Van Sickle; one great-grandchild Jaxon Matt; and three sisters, Mildred (Herbert) Dietzenbach, Louise (Eddie) Dietzenbach and Irene (Albert) Franzen.

Emmett Jerome Meissen, 87

Emmett Jerome Meissen, age 87 of New Hampton, died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023, at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with interment in Calvary Cemetery, rural New Hampton. To honor Emmett, military interment rites were by the Lawler American Legion.

Visitation was held from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, 2023, at the Hugeback Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton where there was a 7 p.m. Scripture Service. Further visitation was one hour before the service at the church on Saturday.

Emmett was born on March 20, 1935, to Jack and Alice Meissen at the old St. Joseph Hospital in New Hampton. He grew up with his sister and two brothers on a farm just outside Lawler, where he helped his parents with a variety of chores on the farm and developed that Meissen work ethic that he carried with him throughout his life.

He attended school in Lawler at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic School and then began working full-time on the farm before following his older brother into the U.S. Army, where he served as an infantry scout with a K-9 corps.

Everybody Hurts announces scholarship winners, date for this year's run

Everybody Hurts, an organization dedicated to suicide prevention and raising awareness of the importance of mental health, has announced both its scholarship winners this year and its annual fun run/walk date for this spring.

This year there will be a little twist to the run/walk, however.

That's because organizers are adding a "ride" to the run/walk that will take place on Friday, April 28 at Mikkelsen Park in New Hampton.

Officials say they have been listening to feedback and have

decided to add the bike piece this year. The event will also have a shorter route for those who still want to participate, Johnson, but may not be able to do the longer distance.

Everybody Hurts is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit who helps educate the community on suicide prevention



and mental health awareness. It has done a variety of things, including bringing speakers into the community and schools, providing QPR training (Question, Persuade, Refer) to anyone in the county who would like it, a support group for Suicide Survivors will be starting in June of this year, giving packets



of information to families that have lost someone to suicide recently, provide scholarships to deserving individuals who are furthering their education in a mental health field, and much more.

The annual run/walk/and now ride is open to anyone.



Check in will begin at 4:30

p.m. that day and the event will start with the opening ceremony at 5:45. The race promptly begins at 6.

If weather is a factor, the race will be held on Saturday, April 29th at 9:00 am. There will be a free will meal and a silent auction from approximately 4:30 to 7:15.

We would love to see the community come out and support this event.

If you would like more information or would like to volunteer or donate you can

contact us on Facebook under Everybody Hurts <https://tinyurl.com/3vx8yz9r> or call 641-330-4687.

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Everybody Hurts officials also recently announced that Chance Johnson, Madison Flick and Sara Howe have been awarded scholarships as they pursue degrees in mental health fields.

If you are interested in our scholarship next year, you can also visit our facebook page (<https://tinyurl.com/3vx8yz9r>) for more information.

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
GARY TAYLOR, Plaintiff
vs.
GERALDINE ETTER, Defendant.
CASE NO. EQCV004381
ORIGINAL NOTICE
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT:

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, which petition prays(1) that title be quieted in Gary Taylor as a single person for this property as per the intentions of the Warranty Deed to give it to Taylor Asphalt, Inc. and then for Gary Taylor as the owner's intention to give that property to himself. Further, the Plaintiff requests that the title should vest fee simple in Gary Taylor, a single person. The name and address of the attorney for the plaintiff is William P Baresel, 103 North Main Street, PO Box 454, Charles City, Iowa 50616. The attorney's phone number is (641) 228-4500; facsimile number is (641) 228-3143.

You must serve a motion or answer on or before (2) March 14, 2023, and

within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Chickasaw County, at the courthouse in New Hampton, Iowa. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

You are further notified that the above case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. Please see Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 for information on electronic filing and Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, division VI regarding the protection of personal information in court filings.

If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in court because of a disability, immediately call your district ADA coordinator at 319-833-3282. (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942)

IMPORTANT: YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS

No. 22699
02/09/23 02/16/23 02/23/23

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTIONS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all the qualified Electors of Chickasaw County, Iowa are hereby notified that a Special Nashua-Plainfield Community School Election on Public Measure EE and Special Hawkeye Community College Election on Public Measure BK will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 in accordance with Section 49.53 of the Iowa Code. The polls for said election will be open at 7:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM. If voters have questions contact the Election Office at 641-394-2100.

The voters of the Nashua-Plainfield and Tripoli Community School Districts residing in Chickasaw County, Iowa may vote at the following polling location:

Nashua City Hall - 402 Main Street, Nashua, IA 50645

The voters of the Summer-Fredericksburg School District residing in Chickasaw County, Iowa may vote at the following polling location:

Fredericksburg Community Center - 151 W Main Street, Fredericksburg, IA 50630

Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before receiving and casting a regular ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered such as voters registering to vote on election day, may register and vote at the polling place provided that person has appropriate documentation and is a resident of the Nashua-Plainfield, Tripoli or Summer-Fredericksburg Community School District, Chickasaw County. A voter who is unable to provide an approved form of identification (or prove residence if required) may 1) have the voter's identity/residence attested to by another registered voter in the precinct 2) prove identify and residence using Election Day Registration documents, or 3) cast a provisional ballot and provide proof of identity/residence at the County Auditor's Office by noon on Monday, March 13, 2023. Election Day Registrants attesters must provide an approved form of identification. For additional information about providing proof of identity and/or residence visit: <https://sos.iowa.gov/electoral> or phone 641-394-2100.

ELECTION FRAUD. A voter commits the crime of election misconduct in the First Degree if the person submits false information when registering to vote. Election misconduct in the first degree is a class "D" felony, and punishable by a fine of up to \$10,245 and/or imprisonment of up to five (5) years. Convicted felons who register and vote without receiving a restoration of voting rights from the Governor are committing a class "D" felony. IF YOU ARE NOT 100% SURE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE HAS ALREADY BEEN RESTORED, REQUEST A PROVISIONAL BALLOT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or in-

ability to read or write may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officer or agent of the voter's union.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, in accordance with Section 49.53 of the Iowa Code that any voter who is physically unable to enter the polling place has the right to vote in the voter's vehicle. For further information, please contact the County Auditor's office at the telephone number or E-mail address listed below. Telephone: 641-394-2100 E-mail Address: auditor@chickasawcounty.iowa.gov for TTY access dial 641-394-3121. Each polling location is equipped with a ballot marking device (FVT) which may assist persons with disabilities to vote more independently.

PUBLIC NOTICE is further given in accordance with Section 52.35 of the IOWA CODE that the duly authorized agents of the Chickasaw County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections shall hold public testimony of the election equipment on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 9:30 AM in the Meeting Room (behind the Driver's License) located on the 1st floor of the Courthouse.

The following public measures will appear on the ballots in the specific jurisdictions:

Nashua-Plainfield Community School District

PUBLIC MEASURE EE: SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

Shall the Board of Directors of the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District in the Counties of Chickasaw, Bremer, Butler and Floyd, State of Iowa, be authorized to contract indebtedness and issue General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 to provide funds to construct a baseball/softball athletic complex, including concession and restroom areas, and improve the site?

YES
NO
Hawkeye Community College
PUBLIC MEASURE BK: SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

Shall the Hawkeye Community College (Merged Area VII) in the Counties of Benton, Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan, Butler, Chickasaw, Fayette, Floyd, Grundy and Tama, State of Iowa, be authorized to contract indebtedness and issue its School Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$35,000,000 to provide funds to defray the costs of any one or more of the following purposes: to improve its Main Campus and construct, acquire, improve, expand, remodel, furnish, and equip new or existing facilities within Merged Area VII?

YES
NO
Sheila Shekleton, Chickasaw County Auditor & Commissioner of Elections

No. 22723
02/16/23 02/17/23

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN G. SCHIPPER,
Deceased, CASE NO. ESPR003090

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of John G. Schipper, Deceased, who died on or about January 18, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on February 2, 2023 the Last Will and Testament of John G. Schipper, deceased, bearing date of May 8, 2002, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Byron Schipper was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated February 3rd, 2023

Byron Schipper, Executor of Estate

14035 Highway 14, Green, IA 50613

David A. Kuehner, ICIS#:

AT0004469, Attorney for Executor,

Shepard, Gibson, Lievens & Kuehner, 503 N Main St, PO BOX 158, Allison, IA 50602

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Legal Notice - Legal Notice - Legal Notice - Legal Notice

The Lawler City Council met in regular session on February 6, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Mark Muetheries presided.

Council members present: King, Kuehner, Croell and Scheidel

Council members absent: Izer

Others present: Jay Uhlenhake, Renee Huinker, Travis Suckow, Cathy Humpal and Stephanie Tangen

Motion made by Scheidel to approve the Agenda

Second by King. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Croell to approve the previous minutes and current bills

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If interested, please send a resume to fbidonj@gmail.com or call (507)726-6203.



New Hampton High School is looking for coaches for the 2023 School Year.

• 7th Grade Boys Track Coach
• JV Softball Coach

New Hampton is in need of a 7th Grade Boys Track Coach as well as a JV Softball Coach.

All interested applicants should contact activities director Scott Frerichs at New Hampton High School. Phone #: 641-394-2134 ext. 4 www.new-hampton.k12.ia.us EOE

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center cardiac rehab nurse Marianne Kurash poses for a photo with recent cardiac rehab graduate Mike Anderson.

MercyOne touts National Cardiac Rehab Week

Heart health is a critical component to living a long, happy, healthy life.

And when it comes to the most important muscle in your body, if you've faced a heart attack, heart surgery or other heart condition, your heart's recovery program can be one of the most important steps to get you back to living your best life.

That's where MercyOne cardiac rehab comes in. MercyOne's personalized, three-phase comprehensive

program is individually tailored to the needs of patients recovering from a heart-related event.

"You only get one heart," said Marianne Kurash, RN, MercyOne cardiac rehab nurse. "So, it's important to take care of it. Our goal with cardiac rehab is to improve your quality of life."

"That's why our recovery plan for each patient can often look so different – it's tailor-made for you and your heart condition."

MercyOne cardiac rehab colleagues include a registered nurse and certified exercise specialists. Education on risk factors and ways to reduce them are presented as well as healthy eating and stress management.

"It's really incredible to see our patients turn a corner in their heart journeys," said Kurash. "Many can come in after a heart episode and be struggling emotionally, mentally, and physically and it's our job to help heal them in all of

those areas. To know and see you were a part of that healing, is really special."

National Cardiac Rehabilitation Week began on Monday, and MercyOne officials say it is the perfect time to start paying more attention to your own heart health.

Find more information from our providers and learn how healthy your own heart is by taking our quiz today at mercyone.org.

Blood drive set for Community Center on Feb. 28

The blood provider to MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center will hold its monthly blood drive in New Hampton on Tuesday, Feb. 28.

LifeServe Blood Center will be at the New Hampton Community Center from noon to 5:30

p.m., and appointments can be made by calling 800-287-4903 or going online to lifeservebloodcenter.org.

LifeServe is the sole blood provider to hospitals in three states – Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES February 6, 2023

cific law enforcement matters, such as current or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to end closed session at 9:27 AM pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1) (g) "[t]o avoid disclosure of specific law enforcement matters, such as current or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

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No Action Taken

No discussion on installing handicapped accessible doors at Chickasaw Heritage Building Center. It was rescinded.

Discussion on Public Health receiving response grant up to \$18,000 to be used to get new fridge, freezer, transport containers, and data loggers for vaccines.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to purchase a 2003 Ford E-350 Lifeline ambulance from Northeast Iowa EMS, Inc for \$15,000 cash and \$3,000 would be a donation. Roll Call: Ayes-Suckow, Hackman.Nays-Breitbach, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Motion failed.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Hackman to acknowledge the part-time hire Jeff Bernatz as an EMT at a wage of \$20.00 per hour effective February 6, 2023 for Chickasaw EMS pending background check. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

No public comment

Discussion with Sheriff Shawver that he would post the open position of Chief Deputy on the bulletin board and Chickasaw County Website.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to enter closed session at 9:18 AM pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(g) "[t]o avoid disclosure of spe-

itbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve 2nd ambulance decal Quote from On Track Signs for \$5,350.00 to be paid out of ARPA. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve Medicare Enrollment application fee for \$688.00 to paid out of ARPA for the Chickasaw EMS. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Budget Work Session Engineer, Roman Lensing

Discussion of max tax levy and setting public hearing date but it was agreed to wait till a bill that was introduced (SF181, formerly SSB1056) that would require the Dept of Revenue (IDR) to re-calculate residential rollback for the 2022 Assessment Year went through.

Committee Assignments Supervisor Suckow-IGHCP February 2 & 3

Supervisor Cerwinski-Childcare & Resource Referral January 31.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 11:55 AM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors

ATTTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

City of: LAWLER

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: City Hall Meeting Date: 3/6/2023 Meeting Time: 07:15 PM

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

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

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.

The estimated Total tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on regular property 11.99076

The estimated tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on Agricultural land is 3.0032

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Phone Number (563) 238-3614

Budget FY 2024 Re-estimated FY 2023 Actual FY 2022

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Taxes Levied on Property 1 147,894 129,580 137,176

Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year 2 0 0 0

Net Current Property Taxes 3 147,894 129,580 137,176

Delinquent Property Taxes 4 0 0 0

TIF Revenues 5 0 0 0

Other City Taxes 6 56,279 51,508 60,688

Licenses & Permits 7 2,840 1,940 2,750

Use of Money and Property 8 6,720 0 4,202

Intergovernmental 9 5,028,713 117,650 88,383

Charges for Fees & Service 10 5,640,715 685,920 581,719

Special Assessments 11 0 0 0

Miscellaneous 12 0 0 24,284

Other Financing Sources 13 0 0 0

Transfers In 14 5,021,279 0 123,711

Total Revenues & Other Sources 15 15,904,440 986,598 1,022,913

EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES

Public Safety 16 74,300 65,800 22,755

Public Works 17 153,130 222,934 102,393

Health and Social Services 18 0 0 0

Culture and Recreation 19 51,965 48,865 60,106

Community and Economic Development 20 0 0 0

General Government 21 65,084 0 94,478

Debt Service 22 16,937 0 8,488

Capital Projects 23 0 0 0

Total Government Activities Expenditures 24 361,416 337,599 288,040

Business Type / Enterprises 25 5,509,094 0 490,241

Total All Expenditures 26 5,870,510 337,599 778,281

Transfers Out 27 5,021,279 0 123,711

Total All Expenditures/Transfers Out 28 10,891,789 337,599 901,992

Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out 29 5,012,651 648,999 120,921

Beginning Fund Balance July 1 30 1,124,931 475,932 355,011

Ending Fund Balance June 30 31 6,137,582 1,124,931 475,932

Mitchell County Conservation Board to host ski event Saturday

The annual Valentine Ski will take place Saturday, Feb. 18 from 4-8 p.m. on the Wapsi-Great Western Line Trail, 110 Main St. in Riceville. If the snow is missing by Saturday, the event will change to a Valentine Stroll. Luminaries will light the trail.

Mitchell County Conservation Board staff will be on hand to help fit boots and skis for your size, there is no rental fee or registration cost. There will be a bonfire with a free cup of hot chocolate.

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REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

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Delinquent Property Taxes 4 0 0 0

NH/TV sends two vets, two newcomers to state

DISTRICT: FROM 18

"It's the same thing every year, it's kind of like weddings and funerals," NH/TV coach Matt Paulus said. "You're happy, really pumped, for the guys who made it and you feel the heartache for the guys that didn't. But we got four, and right now, that's what we have to focus on."

WE'LL START WITH Anderson's semifinal match, one that Paulus termed "super cool."

He wasn't wrong. Anderson cut the deficit to 8-6 with a reversal at the edge of the mat. Eight seconds remained as the two wrestlers headed back to the center.

"You've just got to go for something," he said. "I mean wrestling's a wild sport. Stuff happens."

He went for a move called an assassin, and picked up two quick back points before the clock struck zero to send the match into overtime.

"I had so much adrenaline going on that I didn't feel the tiredness," Anderson said, "and I just knew I was going to win. I didn't have a doubt in my mind."

Then again, there's something about postseason tournaments in Decorah that brings out the best in the Anderson boys. Four years ago, on the same mat, Brayden Anderson trailed 7-2 late in the third period of a semifinal match before sticking Crestwood's Hunter Fousek to earn a trip to the district tournament.

"When it was over, I looked at [NHTV assistant coach] Chris [Paulus] and said 'it's deja vu all over again.' It couldn't have happened to a better kid," the NH/TV head coach said. "He's a really good kid, does the right things and works his you know what off."

Although Anderson would drop a decision to Crestwood's Cade Korsomo, when Kerr claimed a victory in his third-place match, that meant Anderson was headed to state.

"It means a lot," said Anderson, who will take a 24-23 record to Wells Fargo Arena. "I've put a lot of time in and to finally be able to go down and wrestle in Des Moines, where I've always wanted to go, it means the world to me."

TWO OF THE three Chickasaws who made the trek to Des Moines in 2022 earned return trips with district championship runs Saturday.

Tenge improved to 21-4 with three wins to claim the 170-pound title. After a quick pin in the opening round, he beat Crestwood's Tyler Pisney 8-4 in a semifinal match that seemed to take forever.

"I was bleeding from everywhere," he said with a laugh. "It seemed like we had a million blood timeouts there, didn't it?"

Tenge then finished off his day with a solid 5-2 win over Aplington-Parkersburg/Grundy Center's Clay Saak, a win that sealed a first-round bye for the Chickasaw senior at the state meet.

"Ben's trusting his skills more and more every time he goes out there," Paulus said. "He may not score a ton of points, but he's just so dang tough to score on. ... He was solid, really solid."

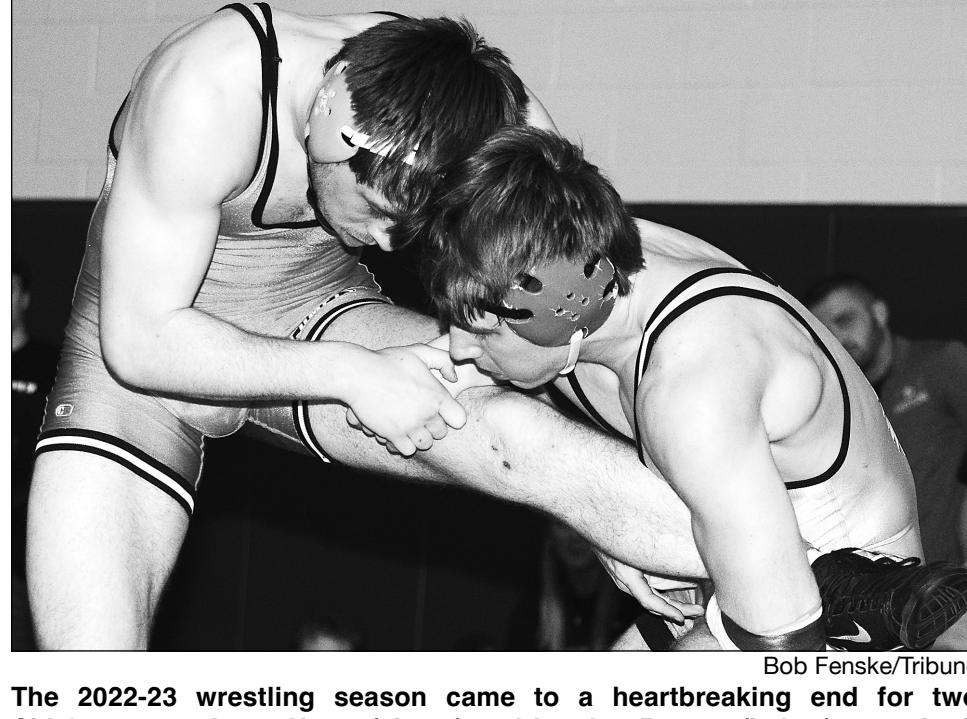
Any worries about McShane bumping up from 195 to 220 were erased Saturday as he opened the tournament with an 18-second pin and then dominated Crestwood's Drew Jackson before flattening him for a pin midway through the second period.

"He's just so super athletic," Paulus said of the NH/TV junior who will take a 35-3 record to Wells Fargo Arena. "That speed and quickness he has, look, there just aren't a lot of 220-pound kids that have the skills he has."

McShane, who weighed in at 199 pounds Saturday, said the size differential doesn't worry him.

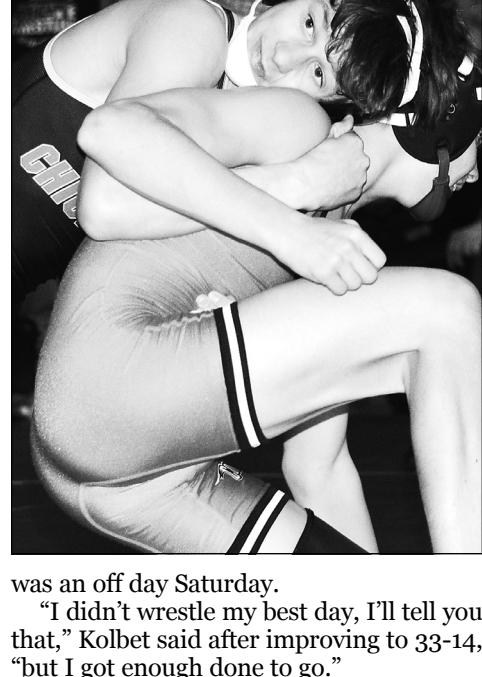
"It's still wrestling, and I feel like I'm just as strong as those guys," he said, "and I know I'm faster and quicker than those guys."

NH/TV'S FOURTH qualifier, like Anderson, will be making his first appearance in Des Moines, and to gauge how far the junior has come, he had what he said



Bob Fenske/Tribune

The 2022-23 wrestling season came to a heartbreaking end for two Chickasaws — Isaac Howe (above) and Landon Bruess (below) — as both fell in true-second matches at Saturday's district tournament.



was an off day Saturday.

"I didn't wrestle my best day, I'll tell you that," Kolbet said after improving to 33-14, "but I got enough done to go."

With Crestwood's Cole Butikofer on the top half of the bracket, Kolbet knew winning his semifinal match against Decorah's Brody Hanson was critical. Down 2-0, the NH/TV junior scored an escape and two takedowns in the second period to build a 5-3 lead and held on for a 5-4 victory.

"I knew that was an important match, but I tried to stay as relaxed as I could," he said. "He's a good wrestler, but I think I'm a lot more confident this year than I was last year."

The reason?

"I worked a lot in the offseason, and I'm way more offensive now," he said. "I worked all summer on shots, getting good shots and I'm finishing a lot more than I did before."

BUT EVERY DISTRICT wrestling meet has highs and lows, and NH/TV experienced a couple of the latter as both junior Landon Bruess (106) and senior Isaac Howe (195) both won key semifinal matches, only to fall in the finals and true-second wrestlebacks.

"I actually dread when we have a guy lose in the finals and then have to wrestle that true-second match," Paulus said. "People don't get how hard that is. You just lose a tough match and then you're taking on a guy who won and is coming in on a high. It bit us."

While Bruess will have another shot at state in 2024, Howe was denied a second straight trip to Des Moines in the final match of his prep career.

"You always want more," Paulus said, "but that's life, too. It isn't always the guy who deserves it, it's the guy whose hand is raised. Now, we just need to focus on the four guys we have left."

And trust us, they're ready for the new state tournament format that includes 24-man brackets, up from the 16-man brackets that have been in place for

decades. And they're ready for one more thing ... three days in Des Moines.

"Yeah, getting three days off from school," Anderson said with a laugh, "that may be the best part."

CLASS 2A DISTRICT TEAM SCORES

	State qual	Pts
Crestwood	7	173.5
NH/TV	4	157
North Fayette Valley	3	144.5
Charles City	5	123.5
Decorah	3	96.5
Waukon	3	87
A-P/GC	3	79.5
Oelwein	0	26

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

106: Landon Bruess placed third: Semifinal - Bruess maj. dec. Skylar Dugan (Wa), 11-0. 1st Place Match - Mitchell Schmauss (Cr) pinned Bruess, 3:10. 2nd Place Match - Carter Haberkorn (Cr) dec. Bruess, 8-4.

113: Braiden Schaufenbuel placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Schaufenbuel pinned Jayden Mara (Wa), 3:03. Semifinal - Carter Schmauss (Cr) pinned Schaufenbuel, 1:52. Cons. Semi - Braiden Schaufenbuel pinned Austin Shepard, (APGC), 1:31. 3rd Place Match - Kale Berinobis (Oe) maj. dec. Schaufenbuel, 8-0.

120: Ty Moudry did not place. Quarterfinal - Jaxson Lundgren (NFV) pinned Moudry, 1:06. Cons. Round 1 - Moudry pinned Owen Korsmo (Cr), 1:07. Cons. Semi - Jordan Young (CC) pinned Moudry, 1:40.

126: Hunter Humpal did not place. Quarterfinal - Daniel Schwickerath (Cr) maj. dec. Humpal, 9-0. Cons. Semi - Tate Germann (NFV) pinned Humpal, 2:52.

132: Jayden Bucknell placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Bucknell pinned Mason Bertram (APGC), 4:28. Semifinal - Nick Koch (NFV) pinned Bucknell, 5:23.

Cons. Semi - Bucknell maj. dec. Dylan LaPolice (CC), 8-0. 3rd Place Match - Kolin Henry (De) maj. dec. Bucknell, 8-0.

138: Peyton Anderson placed second. Quarterfinal - Anderson pinned Connor Kellum (APGC), 4:37. Semifinal - Anderson OT dec. Caden Kerr (NFV), 10-8. 1st Place Match - Cade Korsmo (Cr) dec. Anderson, 9-4.

145: Burke Busta placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Busta dec. Kaleb Adams (Cr), 5-1. Semifinal - Nathan Lopez (CC) dec. Busta, 7-2. Cons. Semi - Busta pinned Dylan Knaack (APGC), 1:19. 3rd Place Match - Logan Boehm (NFV) dec. Busta, 5-3.

152: Leander Reicks placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Reicks pinned Ayden Easley (Cr), 5:20; Semifinal - Taran Weber (CC) pinned Reicks, 1:45. Cons. Semi - Reicks pinned Justin Knaack (APGC), 3:42. 3rd Place Match - Holten Palmer (Wa) dec. Reicks, 7-5.

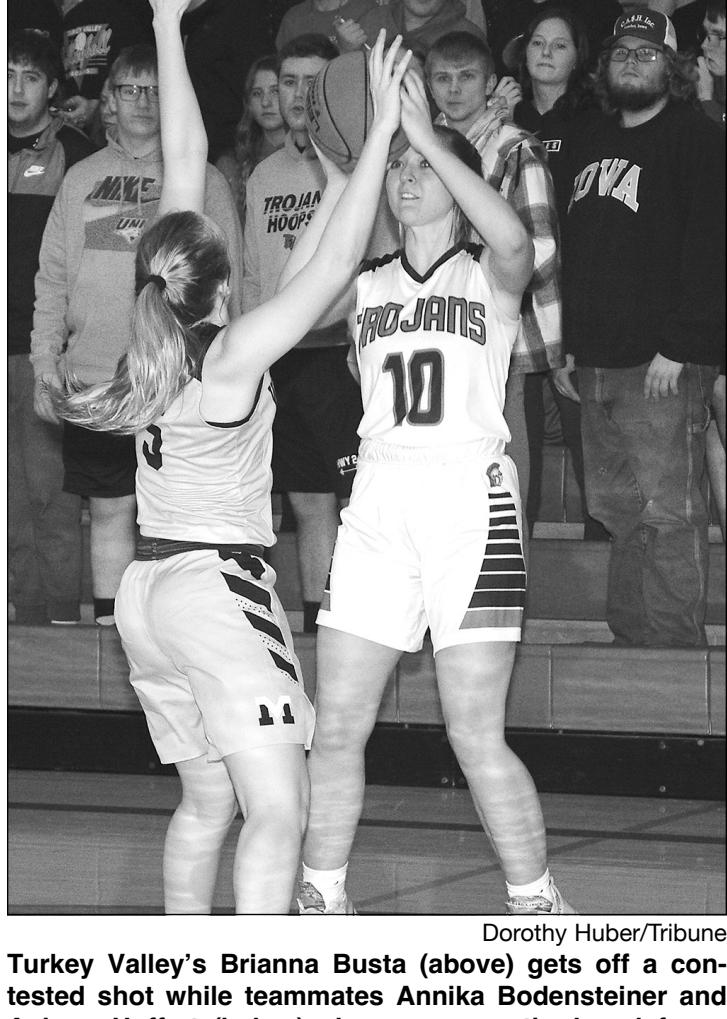
160: Karson Kolbet placed second. Quarterfinal - Kolbet pinned Kaelin Crawford (Wa), 3:09. Semifinal - Kolbet dec. Brody Hanson (D), 5-4. 1st Place Match - Cole Butikofer (Cr) tech fall Kolbet, 16-1.

170: Ben Tenge placed first. Quarterfinal - Tenge pinned Carter Burkhardt (CC), 0:54. Semifinal - Tenge dec. Tyler Pisney (Cr), 8-4. 1st Place Match - Tenge dec. Clay Saak (APGC), 5-2.

182: Ethan Sweenhla placed third. Quarterfinal - Sweenhla maj. dec. Nolan Lamphier (Oe), 10-1. Semifinal - Brock Vojna (Cr) pinned Sweenhla, 2:36. Cons. Semi - Sweenhla pinned Michael Baumer (NFV), 0:49. 3rd Place Match - Sweenhla 28-20 maj. dec. Lamphier (Oe), 1203.

195: Isaac Howe placed fourth. Semifinal - Howe maj. dec. Carson Troyna (APGC), 11-1. 1st Place Match - Ethan Peterson (CC) pinned Howe, 5:37. 2nd Place Match - Corbin Palmer (Wa) dec. Howe, 6-2.

220: Braden McShane Semifinal - McShane pinned Joe Johnson (APGC), 0:18. 1st Place Match - McShane pinned Drew Jackson (Cr), 3:18.



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Turkey Valley's Brianna Busta (above) gets off a contested shot while teammates Annika Bodensteiner and Aubrey Hoffert (below) play some smothering defense in the Trojans' Class 1A regional quarterfinal game on Tuesday.

TV girls' season comes to an end

Trojans coach appreciative of all four of his seniors after team falls to Maquoketa Valley

BY DOROTHY HUBER

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While Turkey Valley fans were taking photos of the four seniors after a Tuesday night loss to Maquoketa Valley in regional action, coach Steve Hoffert reminisced about the younger days of Alison Leibold, Aubrey Hoffert, Brianna Busta and Jaclyn Schmitt.

When coaching at South Winn, Hoffert's team played against the TV seniors when they were in junior high.

Some things had changed, others had not.

"Alison hasn't changed, she still is full of that energy, Jaclyn is still that hard-nosed player, gonna make you pay to go up against her and Brianna is athletic and smooth, one gifted kid."

That brought him to his daughter.

"When Aubrey would go to her sister's basketball tournaments, she would sit up in the stands and read Harry Potter books. She didn't want anything to do with basketball. She was forced to become a guard this year and she's grown into a good point guard."

But the talents of those and other players wouldn't be enough to advance in regional action, as the 17-6 Trojans concluded their season and the 15-9 Wildcats moved on courtesy of a 61-38 win.

"We had a great defensive effort," said Hoffert. "We just didn't have enough on the offensive side to convert on the opportunities."

Busta, just by catching the ball, reinjured her shoulder and sat most of the first half. By the quarter Maquoketa Valley led 17-11, and while the TV girls kept the score close — Hoffert made a 3-point shot that kept the Wildcat lead at six, and a nice spin move under the basket by Schmitt put the score at 25-18 — the Trojans trailed 32-18 by the half.

A 7-2 run by Turkey Valley that included a Mariah Thronsdon 3-point shot and a pair of Hoffert drives to the basket through heavy traffic

brought the score closer, and with 1:18 in the third a Schmitt basket put the score at 39-31. Wildcats. But that would be as close as it would get.

It was, at times, a pretty physical game. "Once you get to the second and third rounds of playoffs, they're going to let you play," said Hoffert. "The officials don't decide it."

The injury to Busta will put her in an MRI machine in the future.

"She wasn't going to give up," said her coach. "She wanted to help our team." Busta gutted it out and played the second half.

"You just have to have a high pain tolerance, I guess," she shrugged. "It's a contact sport so you gotta be tough to play it. But I'm proud of our team, we did more than I thought we were going to this season, sec-

ond in the conference."

Schmitt led the scoring with 17 points and turned in seven rebounds and six blocks while Hoffert finished with 12 points.

"We put in a great effort, we handled the pressure well for the most part and we didn't back down. Not a lot was expected of us this year," Hoffert said of his first year as head coach. "This was a great journey these girls took me on."

MAQUOKETA VALLEY 61, TURKEY VALLEY 38

MV	17	15	10	19	-	61
TV	11	7	13	7	-	38

Jaclyn Schmitt 4-13 9-14 17, Aubrey Hoffert 5-18, 0-0 12, Mariah Thronsdon 1-3 0-0 3, Alison Leibold 1-6 0-0 2, Brianna Busta 1-4, 0-0 2, Addison Steinlage 0-2 0-0 0, Maici Weber 0-2 0-0 0, Annika Bodensteiner 0-0 0-0 0, Ashlyn Busta 0-0 0-0 0, Alexis Elsbernd 0-0 0-0 0, Layni Schuchhardt 0-0 0-0 0, Autumn Maklenburg 0-0 0-0 0, Delaney Busta 0-0 0-0 0, Haylee Hanson 0-0 0-0 0, Jenna Thronsdon 0-0 0-0 0.

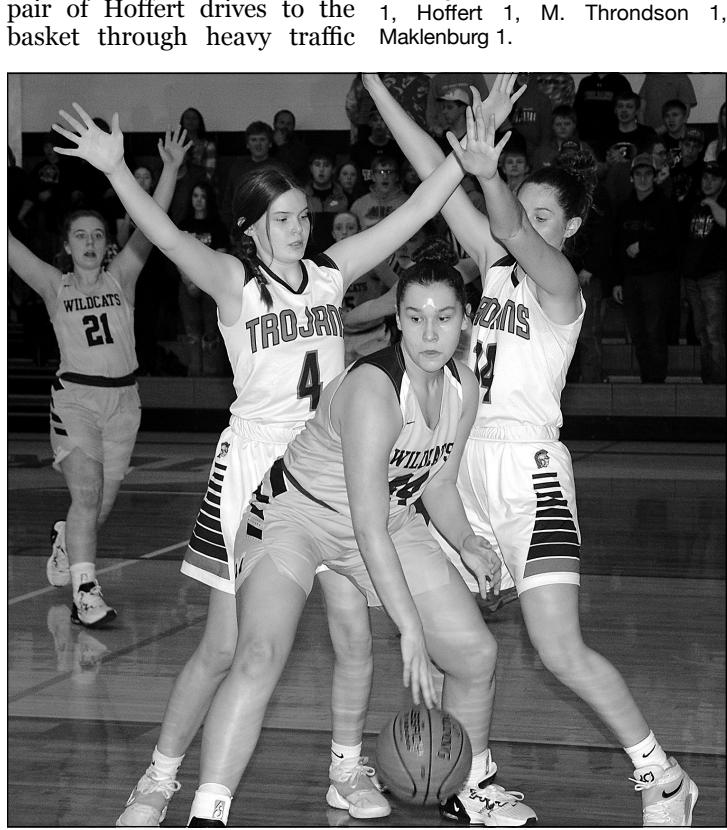
3-point shots - Thronsdon 1-2, Hoffert 1-4, Leibold 0-3, Steinlage 0-1, Schmitt 0-1.

Rebounds - Schmitt 7, Weber 3, Steinlage 2, B. Busta 2, Hoffert 2, M. Thronsdon 2, Hanson 1, Maklenburg 1, Bodensteiner 1.

Assists - Schmitt 2, Leibold 1, Steinlage 1, B. Busta 1, M. Thronsdon 1.

Blocks - Schmitt 6, Bodensteiner 2, Weber 1.

Steals - Leibold 2, Schmitt 2, Steinlage 1, Bodensteiner 1, Weber 2, Hoffert 1, M. Thronsdon 1, Maklenburg 1.





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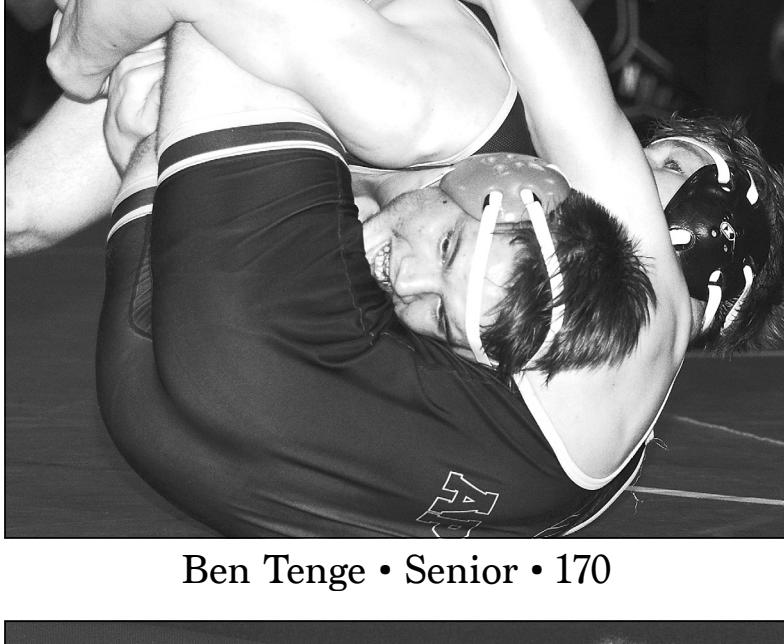
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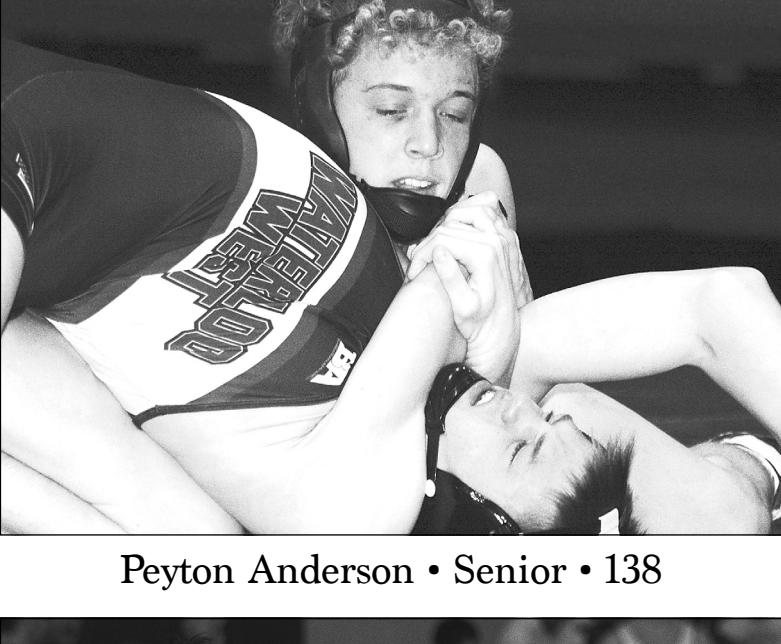
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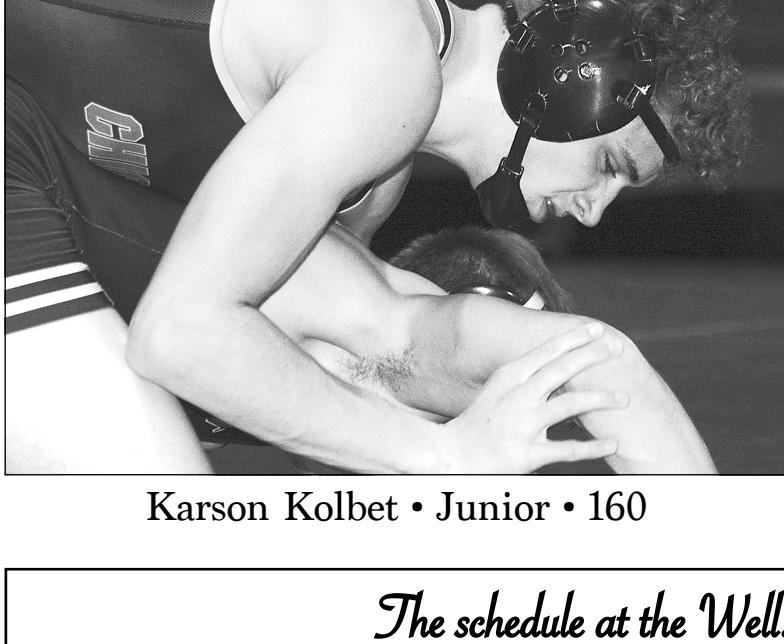
Congrats to the four Chickasaws wrestling in Des Moines this week



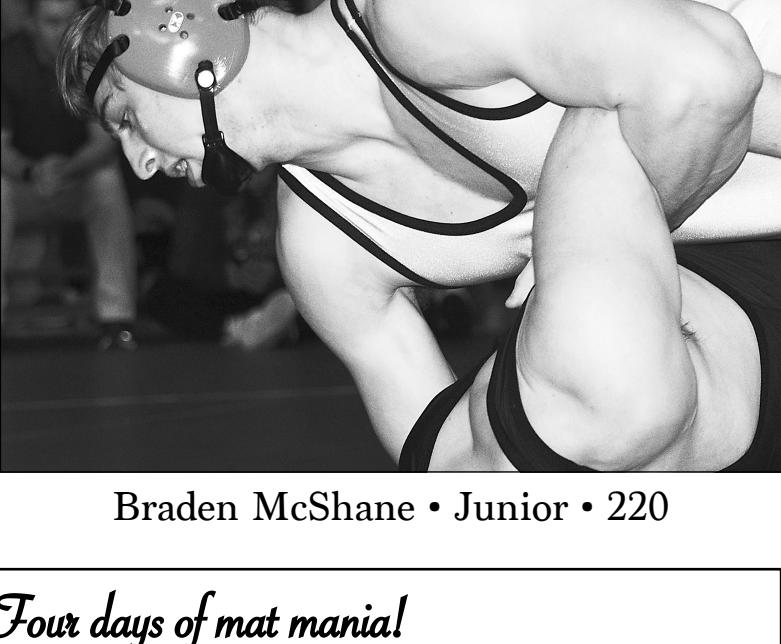
Ben Tenge • Senior • 170



Peyton Anderson • Senior • 138



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The schedule at the Well: Four days of mat mania!

WEDNESDAY

1:30 p.m.: Class 2A first and second round, first-round consolation.

THURSDAY

1:30 p.m.: Class 2A quarterfinals, consolation.

FRIDAY

1:30 p.m.: Class 2A semifinals, consolation.

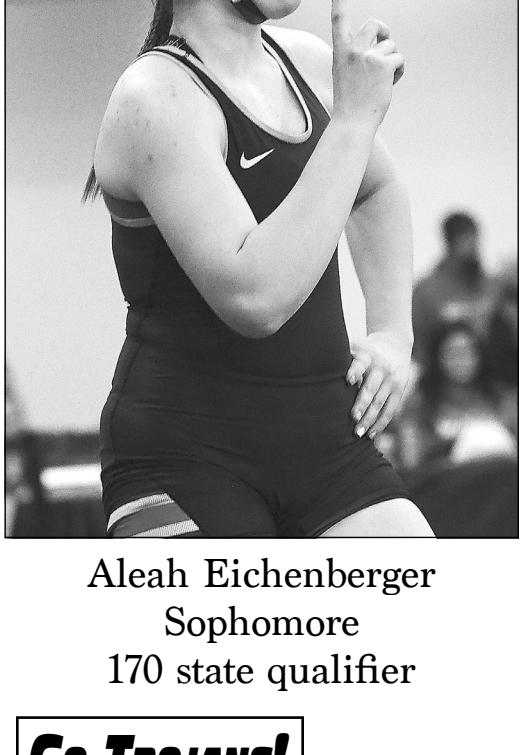
SATURDAY

9 a.m.: All classes, consolations semifinals and placing matches.

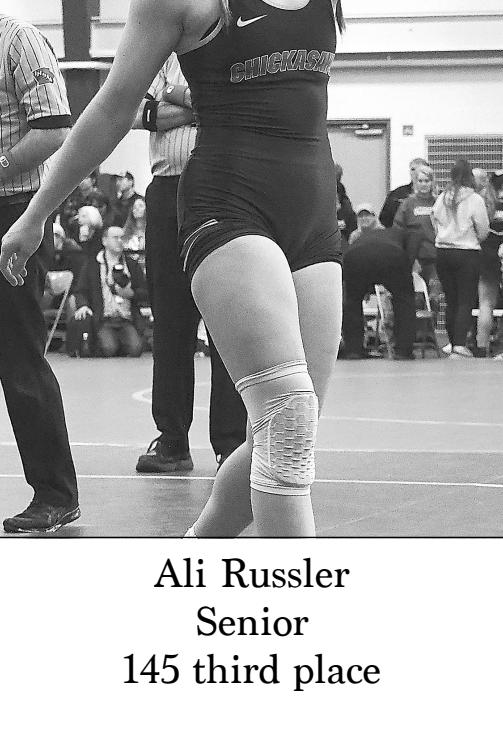
5:15 p.m.: Finals matches in all three classes.

Congratulations to trio who made history

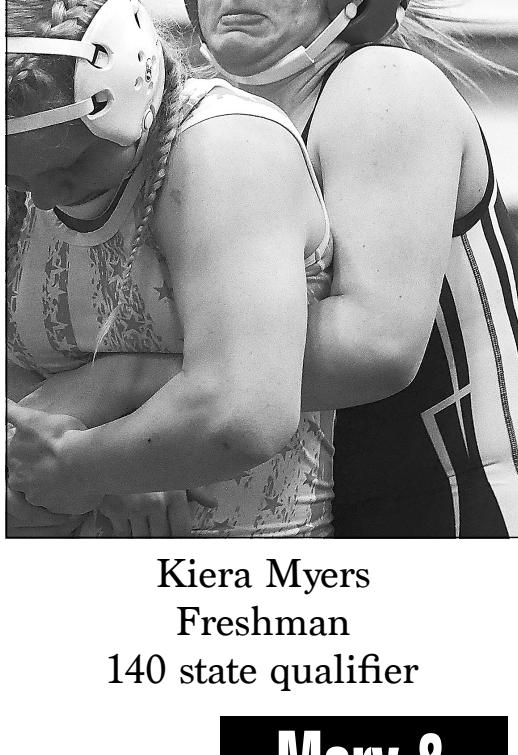
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1,
Vern Laures Auto 2, Elma
Gals 2
ExSalont 4, Mid-Tech
Machining 0,
Dummy 3, Geerts Plum-
bing 1

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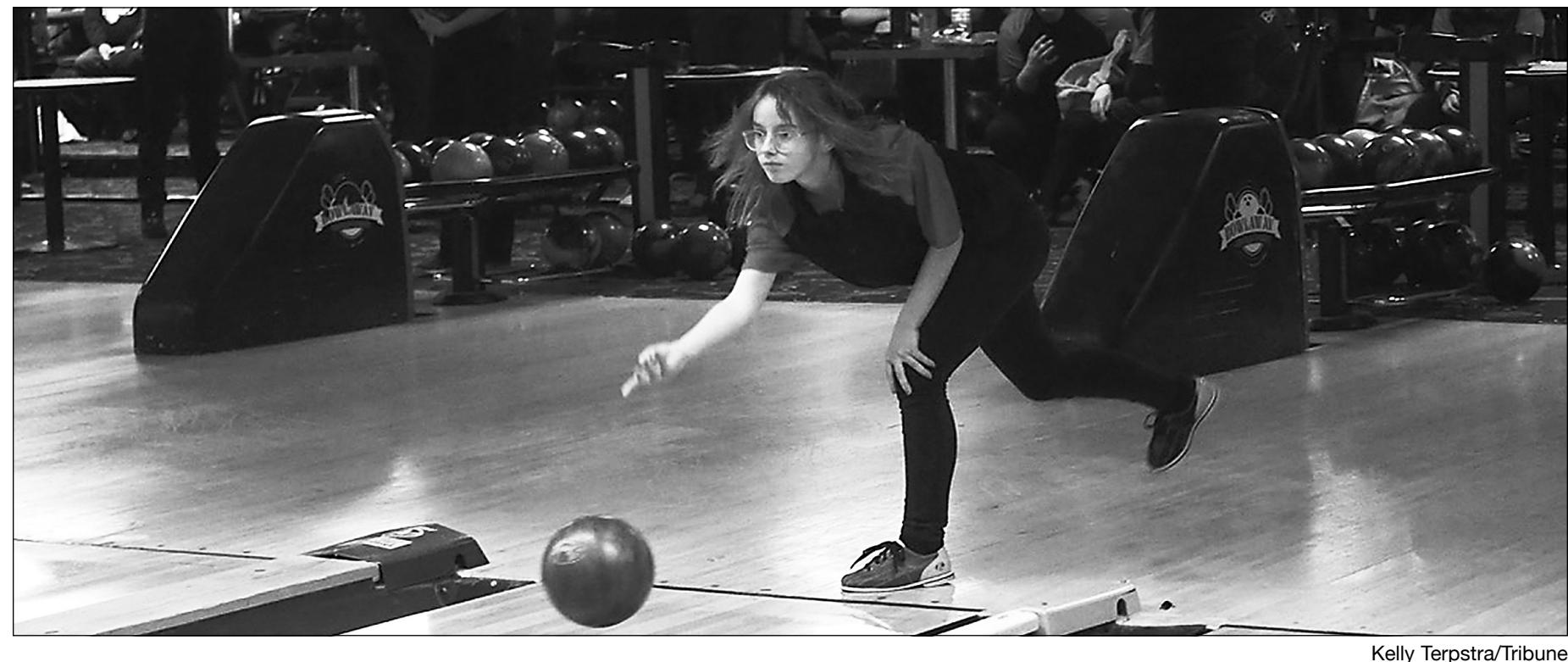
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New Hampton's McKenzie Herzberg releases the ball during the Chickasaws' final home meet of the season last Friday, when the team's three seniors — (below, from left) Jackson Brincks, Mary Jane Schmitz and Logan Peterman — and their parents were honored.

Chickasaw bowlers celebrate successes

New Hampton falls to Waukon, but seniors appreciate having chance to hit the lanes this season

BY KELLY TERPSTRA

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You can count the pin improvement or even look at the scoresheet to see the New Hampton bowling program's marked improvement in its first year of competition.

Or you could have witnessed the smiles on the faces of Andy Aries' Chickasaws last Friday night and realized that a strong bond was created this winter that led to many triumphs and new friendships created in a sport that was new to almost every New Hampton bowler.

New Hampton bowled in the regular season finale at Bowlaway Lanes Friday evening on Senior Night against Waukon. The seasoned Indians topped the NH boys team, 2,858 to 2,471. Waukon also defeated the Chickasaw girls squad by a score of 2,265-1,152.

Aries talked about his group's inaugural season, which saw New Hampton finish the season at the Class 1A state qualifier on Monday and Tuesday in Monticello at Legacy Lanes.

Aries wasn't so much as concerned about wins or losses this season as much as he was getting a lot of his first-time bowlers acclimated to a sport that they're just starting to learn the intricacies of.

"The record doesn't show exactly how big of a success it was," said Aries. "Records aren't always how well you bowl. I look at it that the kids made tremendous improvement throughout the whole year. They all went forward and improved by considerable amounts."

NH had three seniors bowl in 2022-2023 — Jackson Brincks, Logan Peterman and Mary Jane Schmitz.

"I'm certainly hoping that the seniors take away what they've learned here and the type of steps that goes through to progressively make yourself better," said Aries. "Hopefully they take that as kind of a life lesson."

The NH boys racked up a season-high score at Decorah last week Tuesday at Kingpin Entertainment. The Chickasaws rolled a 2,604. Decorah, which competes in Class 2A and is undefeated at 10-0, registered a team score of 2,850.

"That was one of those days where they all meshed very well together and threw the ball very well up there," said Aries. "It was one of those days that the pin carried. There was a lot more consistent bowling up there for sure. To be within 250 pins — staying that close, for being a 1A team and a first-year team — is absolutely outstanding."

The Vikings' girls team topped NH, 2,315 to 1,105.

Decorah won the boys NEIC title and the Waukon girls team (9-1, 5-0) also won the league



championship.

The New Hampton boys, which are 2-7 overall, was led by sophomore Landon Marr's 387 series versus Waukon. The Chickasaws' high game came from sophomore Jamison Porath (201). NH freshman Chase Gebel rolled the top series at Decorah with a 379.

The Waukon boys topped NH in the baker round — 900 to 797. The Waukon girls team also bested the Chickasaws in the final baker round, 766-365.

The NH girls squad, now 1-6 overall, was led by senior Mary Jane Schmitz's 207 series at Decorah, and a 224 series on Senior Night.

Schmitz had this to say about a season that she felt went by super quick.

"I thought it was fun," said Schmitz. "We've all gotten way better at bowling, so it's way funner when you score better."

NH junior Madison Dreckman came up with 216 series versus Waukon and freshman Sophia Rivera rolled a 206 series at Decorah.

Chickasaw senior Logan Peterman, who suffered a broken foot on the football field this past fall and couldn't play basketball, decided to go out for bowling this winter. He was glad he did as he forged several friendships and learned many new things during his competition out on the lanes.

"When we were here, we definitely got closer as a team," said Peterman, who mainly bowled on the junior varsity squad.

"Everyone started talking and enjoying the meet."

Jackson Brincks was another senior for New Hampton that bowled on the varsity squad.

He talked about the Chickasaws' good-luck piece that helped the Chickasaws' bowl better. It just so happened to come in the form of a Thomas the Tank Engine & Friends beach towel that Peterman's dad had since he was around five years of age.

"It's a lucky charm," smiled Brincks.

Peterman said he brought the towel to help dry his hands to one of the first practices the Chickasaws had at the start of the year.

"I grabbed it the first prac-

tie and it just stuck with," said Peterman. "It's going to keep on getting passed down."

Hopefully the Chickasaws mustered up some positive vibes with the "team towel" when they competed at the district meet on Tuesday.

Regardless of what the scores ended up being at the state qualifier, Aries said the first annual season of Chickasaw bowling hit a home run.

"It was an unbelievable success. These kids definitely exceeded a lot of my expectations," said Aries. "At the beginning of the year when they first walked in, to see them shoot over 2,500...I thought would have been a far-fetched stretch. I'm not even surprised that they can't shoot higher eventually, too."

BOYS TEAM SCORES

DECORAH 2,850,

NEW HAMPTON 2,604

Medalist - Daniel Skrade, Decorah 412.

New Hampton scores - Chase Gebel 379, Landon Marr 372, Jamison Porath 361, Jaxson Porath 334, Jackson Brincks 296, Easton Monteith 225.

WAUKON 2,858,

NEW HAMPTON 2,471

Medalist - Cody Huinker, Waukon 203-267-470

New Hampton scores - Marr 187-200-387, Jam. Porath 201-167-368,

Jax. Porath 183-145-328, Gebel 182-145-327, Brincks 144-120-264,

Logan Peterman 100-119-219.

GIRLS TEAM SCORES

DECORAH 2,315,

NEW HAMPTON 1,105

Medalist - Rebecca Bruening, Decorah 328.

New Hampton scores - Mary Jane Schmitz 207, Sophia Rivera 206,

McKenzie Herzberg 187, Madison Dreckman 178.

WAUKON 2,265,

NEW HAMPTON 1,152

Medalist - Lauryn Howard, Waukon 177-171-348.

New Hampton scores - Schmitz 105-119-224, Dreckman 99-117-216,

Herzberg 99-95-194, Rivera 76-77-153.



As they did for virtually all of their home meets at Bowlaway Lanes, New Hampton's bowling team drew another packed house for Senior Parents Night.

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RESULTS**RESULTS**

Butch's II 6, Dak's Tap I 3

Hide A Way 5, Dak's Tap

II 4

Bowlaway Lanes 6,

Schucky's 3

Butch's I - Bye Week

THREE-GAME WINNERS

Butch's II - Michelle

Rosonke & Jess Heying

Hide A Way - Helen

Geerts & Terry Riggan

Bowlaway Lanes -

Christine Venem & Carrie

Barloon

RESULTS

Dak's Tap I 5, The

Office 4

VFW 7, Butch's 2 2

HereZ 2 U 5, Butch's 1 4

Hide-A-Way 5, Brite

Spot 4

The Pub 6, Big Willie's 3

Dak's Tap 2, bye

New Hampton FFA welcomes student teacher for semester

Rachel Bauer has joined New Hampton vocational agriculture instructor Jim Russ as a student teacher for the second semester.

Bauer, who is finishing her degree at Iowa State University is currently teaching particular topics, horticulture II, two sections of introduction of agriculture, ag mechanics and survey of the animal industry.

Soon, she will be adding the eight-grade ag exploratory course to have the full experience for four weeks and then winding the classes down before the beginning of May.

Bauer is working with horticulture students arranging bud vases for one of the assignments. She plans to have

the students make a variety of arrangements and conclude with making their own corsages for prom.

She is working with Kayla Smith of Pocketful of Posies. Bauer worked at Hy-Vee Florist Department as a floral designer in Waterloo for 2 years.

Bauer graduated from Hudson High School and is a sixth-generation farmer.

She was member of the Hudson FFA Chapter and competed in horse judging and team ag sales. She also was a state qualifier in the LDE job interview.

She plans to use skills developed in her CDE's and LDEs experiences in her teaching lessons.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton High School student-teacher Rachel Bauer (right) works with students on flower arrangements during a class on Tuesday morning.

New Hampton FFA receives two grants to 'recover' high tunnel

The New Hampton FFA has recently been awarded two grants to recover the high tun-

nel west of the CWC. The chapter received a STEM BEST Enhancement

Award of \$10,000 to recover the current high tunnel with a Polycarbonate covering and fans to make it similar to a greenhouse.

New Hampton FFA also received an \$8,000 Working Here Grant with Farm Credit Services of America for labor to install the covering and electrical.

This will allow for a longer growing period and students will be to have their own garden spaces for SAEs (Supervised Agricultural Experiences).

The produce will be used by the families, in the school lunch programs and also donated to the Chickasaw Pride Pantry. As the project progresses will post some pictures and more information.

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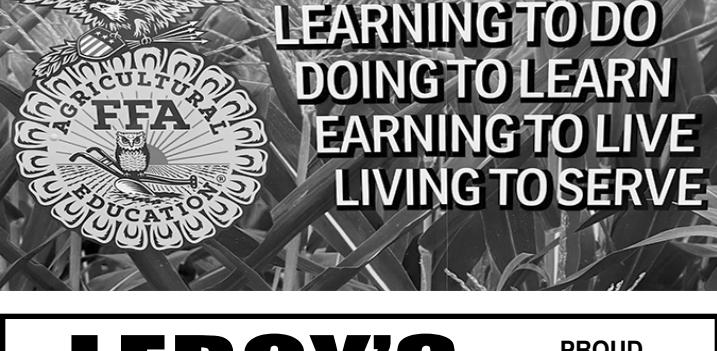
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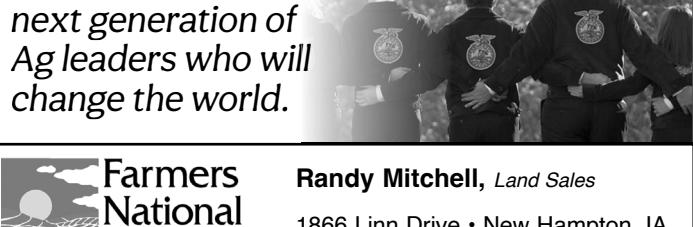
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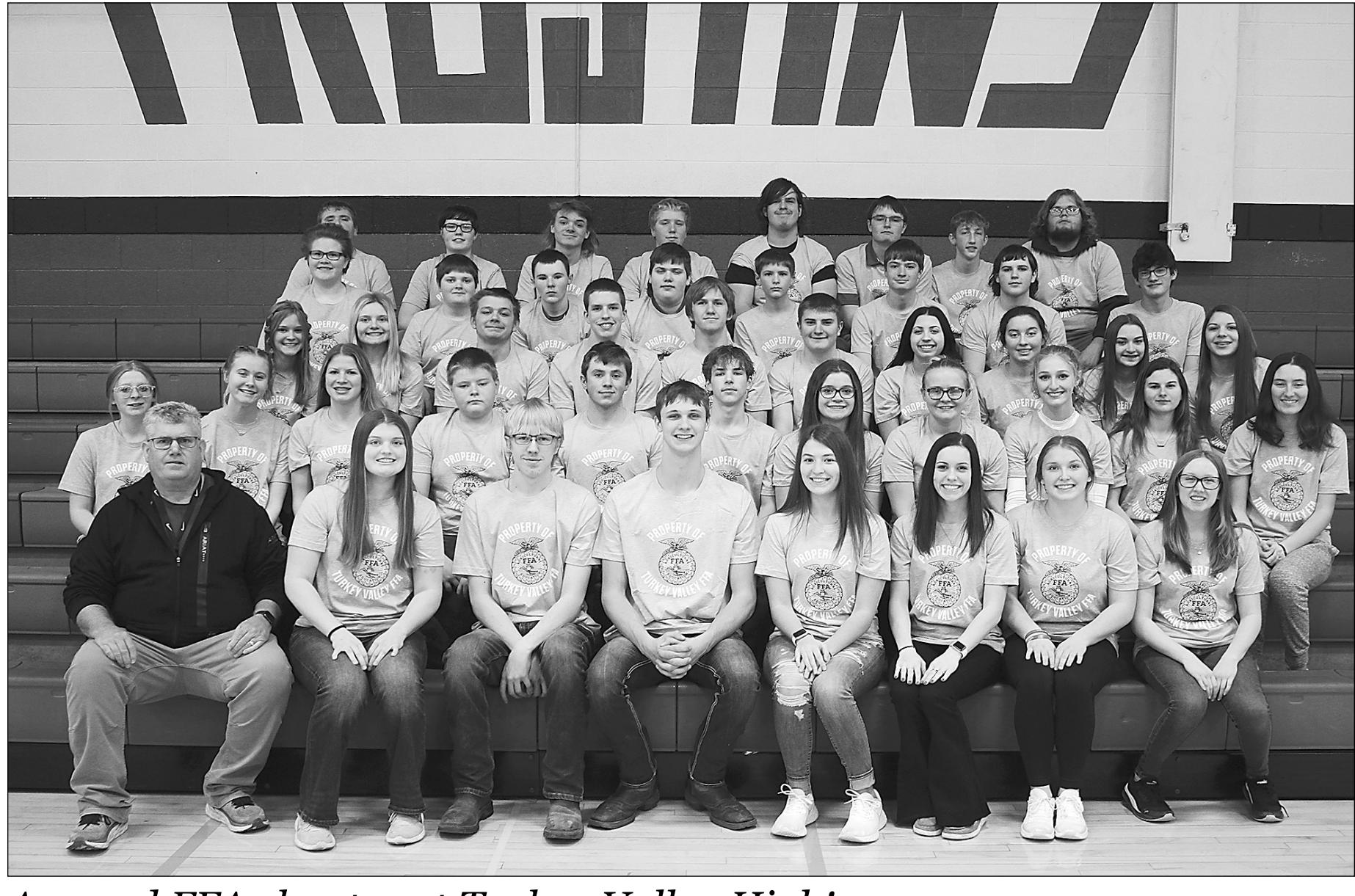
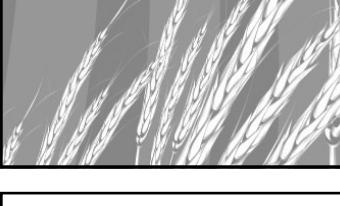


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Receiving American Degrees at the National FFA convention are (left, from left) Jayda Nehl, Madison Kolbet, Taylor Bearman and Lexi Maloy while one of the big events (above) put on by the New Hampton FFA this past summer was the Bob Svec Memorial Tractor Ride.

FFA president excited to celebrate organization's 'week'

PRESIDENT: FROM 16

participating members.

Now back to the Bob Svec Memorial tractor ride, the chapter put on this event in memory of Bob. We had 13 tractors in the drive and a couple of dozen people helped and participated.

Throughout the summer, members hosted kiddy pedal pulls with our brand new fully custom skid made by one of our members. This was so much fun for both the kids and members!

At RAGBRAI members worked to sell our famous grilled PB&J sandwiches with

our jam.

We had three teams compete in the fall CDEs. The members who competed in the contests gained knowledge and learned about different careers in the ag field.

The officers started discussing ways in which we could give back to our generous community. We came up with donating \$500 to two different causes, one being the Interact Clubs food pantry and the other being the Kindness Square park.

We then sent 13 students to the 95th National FFA Leadership Conference and Expo. These students had a

blast attending workshops and sessions as well as participating in other events.

Once we got back, we started working on projects such as the My Little Light of Mine display and the decorating of the hallway to our classroom.

We welcomed Miss Rachel Bauer to New Hampton as a student teacher with Mr. Russ. She is from Hudson and a senior agricultural education student at Iowa State.

These are just a few things that have happened so far this year. We have a lot of things to look forward to, one of which is National FFA Week. This week is such a great way to get our members involved in things

they may have never done before. A few of the activities we do during this time include dress-up days that consist of wearing an FFA shirt, official dress, the battle of tractor brands and "Farmer Friday!"

We are also doing games at lunch to get everyone involved and there will be an assembly! The FFA officers are putting on a teacher breakfast this year to thank all of the staff and also to have a little fun with the addition of the first-ever annual teacher pedal pull!

We can't wait to have a great week with all of the members! I would also like to wish the teams and individuals the best of luck at their next events!



New Hampton FFA member Tanner Njus poses with the chapter's pedal tractor pulling sled at the State Fair that was held in Des Moines last August.

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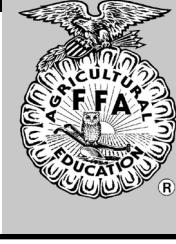


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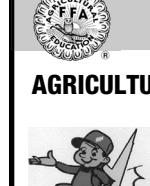
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New Hampton FFA President

Serving as the 2022-23 president of the New Hampton FFA chapter has been an experience to remember. Over the past year, there have been many highs and a few lows.

At the start of the year, the chapter was working on different CDEs and got started planning the first annual Bob Svec Memorial Tractor Ride.

Career development events, better known as CDEs, are activities that members can get involved in. These events help

work on skills that can apply to the member's future. This year we had 10 teams compete in various events such as horse judging, agronomy and nursery landscaping.

This year was the third time in a row that the New Hampton FFA has won the Middle School State Horse Judging CDE! The New Hampton FFA chapter also had a nursery landscaping team get 7th at state. Those two things are outstanding accomplishments for our chapter and its

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Members of the New Hampton FFA chapter pose for a group picture as they get ready for a variety of events to celebrate National FFA Week that begins this coming Sunday.

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Members of New Hampton's FFA Leadership Team include (front row, from left) Maddie Schaufenbuel, reporter; Kandice Eggerichs, reporter; Grace Maloy, secretary; Tori Bearman, vice president; Grace Baker, greenhand leadership team; Hayden Hackman, greenhand leadership team; Karla Pickar, greenhand leadership team; Carrie Schwickerath, greenhand leadership team; Beth Pickar, greenhand leadership team; Aleah Eichenberger, greenhand leadership team; (back row) Marshall Zeien, president; Ethan Praska, sentinel; Jim Russ, chapter advisor; and Quinten Reicks, treasurer.

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New Hampton Chickasaws

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Heading to the college gridiron

His senior year may not have gone quite the way he wanted, but New Hampton senior Logan Peterman will realize a long-held dream of playing college football. The lineman, who was a first-team all-district player as a junior but missed much of the 2022 season with an injury, recently signed to attend and play football at Wartburg College.

Pictured are (from left) Tucker Terrell, Nancy Moorman, Peterman and Cody Moorman.

New Hampton ready to take on 21-1 Bulldogs

NH Boys: FROM 18

we stepped it up on defense. Second, we relaxed a little bit and just went out and I know this sounds oversimplified but just had fun playing the game. And if you look at the end of that quarter, it wasn't just one guy; it was everyone on the floor."

Any thoughts of a dramatic Postville comeback were erased when New Hampton opened the third quarter with a 16-2 run.

Ewert finished the night shooting 7-for-14 from the field, including 3-for-6 from 3-point range.

"Some nights you have it, some nights you don't," he said, "but tonight, fortunately, was one of those days where I had it going. That's how I always want to shoot it, with that kind of confidence."

But he was far from the lone star on this night. Twelve Chickasaws scored, and with Ewert's 20, the Chickasaws had three in double figures as Shekleton finished with 12 and Gilbert chipped in with 11.

Steinlage, who has missed much of the last two weeks with a respiratory illness, added eight points.

"That was nice to see," Rausch said, "and we just talked about him letting me know when he needed a break and how long he needed. Hopefully

by Thursday, he'll be almost all the way back."

That's when New Hampton faces a MFL-Mar-Mac team that has averaged almost 78 points a game and has lost only to Decorah.

But the Chickasaws say they're ready to accept the Bulldogs' challenge.

"We're going to be ready, they're going to be ready," Ewert said, "and it's going to be a good game."

NEW HAMPTON 76, POSTVILLE 41

	Post	12	11	4	12	-	41
	NH	17	22	22	15	-	76
Ben Gilbert	5-9	0-2	11	Reid Rausch	1-5	0-0	2
Adam Ewert	7-13	3-5	20	Gannon Shekleton	5-13	2-2	2
Hunter Serie	1-6	0-0	2	Cael Laures	1-6	0-0	2
Evan Knowlton	2-3	0-0	4	Hunter Serie	1-0	0-0	3
Carter Newbrough	0-0	0-0	0	Evan Knowlton	2-3	0-0	4
Brady Speltz	1-1	0-0	2	Carter Steinlage	3-5	1-1	8
Jake Schwickerath	0-0	0-0	0	Aiden Roberson	2-3	1-1	5
Nick Brincks	1-2	3-3	5	Jacob McDonald	0-2	0-0	0
Carter Steinlage	3-5	1-1	8	Carsyn Leistikow	1-2	0-0	2
Aiden Roberson	2-3	1-1	5	Totals	30	65	10-14
Jacob McDonald	0-2	0-0	0				76
Carsyn Leistikow	1-2	0-0	2				

3-point field goals - Ewert 3-6, Serie 1-1, Steinlage 1-1, Gilbert 1-4, Rausch 0-1, Laures 0-1, Knowlton 0-1.

Rebounds - Shekleton 8, Laures 5, Brincks 4, Steinlage 2, Roberson 2, Ewert 2, Rausch 2, Gilbert 1, Knowlton 1, Speltz 1, Leistikow 1.

Assists - Gilbert 3, Shekleton 3, Laures 2, Knowlton 2, Leistikow 1, Steinlage 1, Brincks 1, Ewert 1, Rausch 1.

Steals - Ewert 4, Steinlage 2, Serie 2, Gilbert 2, Rausch 1, Shekleton 1, Laures 1.

Blocks - Laures 1, Brincks 1, Steinlage 1, Leistikow 1.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton's Gannon Shekleton and Cael Laures bottle up Postville's Koby Bohr in the lane during Monday night's opening round substate tournament game.

Trojan boys hold off East Buchanan to advance

TV Boys: FROM 18

John Izer said after the Trojans improved to 14-8. "I told him to go have a night."

The first quarter ended with a 14-11 Turkey Valley advantage and when Chase Hayek scored from under the basket the Trojans led 23-17 late in the second quarter. At times the action was fast and furious, and in the final minute of the first half a Bodensteiner 3-pointer was in quick succession followed by an Oliver Schmitt block, a Schmitt basket on the other end, and a steal by the Trojans which resulted in Bodensteiner going to the line with no time remaining, where he missed both free throws.

The 5-0 Trojan run in the final minute sent the teams into the locker room with a 28-19 Turkey Valley lead.

"East Buch was running, I guess what you'd call a 3-2 defense, we hadn't seen that from them at all, and I watched film from five of their games," said Izer, "so that had us booger up a bit. Their No. 24 was a good 3-point shooter, No. 1 and No. 3 were good players."

A Hayek shot with 17 seconds left in the third quarter gave the Trojans one of their biggest leads of the night at 43-32 but a 9-0 East Buchanan run going into the fourth quarter brought that lead to just two points, and when that "No. 24" Izer talked about — Dalton Kortenkamp — hit a 3-point shot with 2:17 remaining the score was tied at 44.

Bodensteiner, who had been held scoreless thus far in the final quarter, procured a steal



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Noah Hanson pulls down a rebound for Turkey Valley during Monday night's postseason opener.

and a basket for a 46-44 lead with a minute left and with :38.1 on the clock an East Buch player hit one of two free throws for a 48-45 final score. The Buccaneers' final 3-point shot was off.

The Trojans missed the front end of a 1-and-1, giving the Buccaneers a chance for the lead, but they missed a shot and Schmitt took the rebound, was fouled and made both free throws with 10 seconds left for a 48-45 final score. The Buccaneers' final 3-point shot was off.

"I was pretty nervous when I missed those free throws," said Bodensteiner, but it helped when I got that steal. And I was pretty confident that if we went into overtime we could get the win."

The free throws were also a concern of Izer. "We left a

lot of points out there, I think we were something like 4-of-10 from the line and some of those were 1-and-1s. We also had a lot of unforced turnovers. Out of every 10 turnovers, I'd say eight of them were not forced... and a lot of tie-ups in the lane."

Izer was happy with the rebounding, and Hayek in particular. "Chase had nine rebounds, he played big for us. I feel he doesn't show up in the story line as much as he should sometimes."

Schmitt turned in nine points and led the team in assists with five, while Hayek went 3-for-3 from the field for six points. Noah Hanson came down with seven rebounds and Bodensteiner had three steals, with two blocks each coming from Carson Busta and Schmitt.

There are many similarities between the Trojan boys and girls basketball teams this year. Both have winning records, both have a Schmitt on the team, both have a Hanson, a Bodensteiner and multiple Bustas and both won their first round of the postseason at home. While the girls were scheduled to host Maquoketa Valley on Tuesday, the boys are set to travel to Maq Valley Thursday for their second round, starting at 7 p.m. The Wildcats come into Thursday's game with a 15-7 record while the Trojans are 14-8.

A win Thursday and the Trojans would play in a district final game Feb. 21 at a site to be determined.

Schmitt currently leads the Trojans in scoring with an average of 11.1 points per game, Caleb Kurtenbach is next at 9.4 and Hanson third with a 9.3 ppg average. But as Bodensteiner showed, anyone can "have a night."

TURKEY VALLEY 48, EAST BUCHANAN 45

	EB	11	8	16	10	-	45
	TV	14	14	15	5	-	48

	Calvin Bodensteiner	9-14	2	
	Oliver Schmitt	3-8	3-4	9

	Chase Hayek	3-3	0-0	6
	Carson Busta	2-4	0-0	5

	Noah Hanson	1-6	1-3	3
	Caleb Kurtenbach	1-3	0-1	3

	Russell Nieman	0-0	0-0	0
	Braylen Byrne	4-0	0-0	48

	Totals:	19-38	4-10	48
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	3-point shots	Bodensteiner	4-7
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	Busta	1-2	Kurtenbach	1-3
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	Schmitt	2	Hanson	2
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	Rebounds	Hayek	9	Hanson	7
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	Schmitt	5	Bodensteiner	3	Busta	2
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	Assists	Schmitt	5	Hanson	3	Busta	2
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	Steals	Bodensteiner	3	Nieman	2	Kurtenbach	1
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	Blocks	Bodensteiner	1	Rosenke	1	Hanson	1
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	Rebounds	Rosenke	1	Hayek	1	Hanson	1
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New Hampton bows out in its regional opener

Chickasaws endure tough shooting night after a two-hour bus ride to Monticello

BY KELLY TERPSTRA

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The state didn't do the New Hampton girls basketball team any favors in its first round matchup at Monticello on Saturday.

Not only was it a tough draw for David Leichtman's Chickasaws, which took on the 18-5 Panthers, but it was a two-hour trip down south for NH to begin its postseason trek in the opening round, quarterfinal regional matchup.

The Class 3A, Region 7 tilt did not go well for the Chickasaws.

Monticello drained 12 three-pointers en route to 74-37 domination over New Hampton (9-13). The Panthers played at No. 6 Dubuque Wahlert (16-6) on Wednesday in the regional semifinal round.

"To face that was a difficult challenge, to go two hours on the road," said Leichtman. "We kind of just hit that and then we just hit over with overall shooting woes."

NH, which finished fourth in the NEIC, connected on 2-14 shots from beyond the arc. NH all-state senior guard Carlee Rochford was 0-8 from 3-point range, but did catch fire in the second half to finish with 19 points.

"Carlee got it going in the third quarter and started to drive and get some buckets," said Leichtman.

Monticello outrebounded NH, 42-28, and forced 24 Chickasaw turnovers. Monticello — which finished runner-up to No. 6 Cascade in the River Valley North Conference — led NH 35-19 at halftime.

"We didn't rebound well," said Leichtman. "We got out of sorts. That didn't help."

NH sported the seventh-best opponent's won/loss record in Class 3A with a mark of 207-140 and played in a league that sports 4A powers Waverly-Shell Rock and fifth-rated Decorah.

"It was definitely not the easiest job by any standard," said Leichtman about NH's first-round opponent. "That's a trip. It ended up being the wrong road trip for us."

Monticello was paced by sophomore Jayden Kuper's 21 points. Freshman Panther guard Kennedy Herm森 drilled five 3-pointers and finished with 18 points.

NH senior Kandice Eggerichs netted seven points and was 3-5 from the field. She grabbed nine rebounds. Chickasaw junior Molly Wegner hit two 3-pointers and wound up with six points.

Rochford snared seven rebounds, came up with three steals and dished out two assists.

Crestwood upset NH, 52-48, this past week Tuesday in NH's regular season finale. New Hampton had defeated the Cadets, 61-46, back in early January.

Rochford scored a game-high 25 points and notched a double-double with 10 rebounds. Rochford finished her remarkable athletic career on the hardwood as New Hampton's all-time leading scorer. She averaged 24 points a game in 2022-2023. That scoring clip currently stands as the sec-



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New Hampton's Carlee Rochford finished her career with a double-double, scoring 25 points and grabbing 10 rebounds.

ond-best total in Class 3A.

