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Board holds off on chief deputy

Supervisors want job ‘posted’ before New Hampton police chief gets job

By **BOB FENSKE**
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New Hampton still has its police chief, but Zach Nobsich's days at the police department appeared to be numbered.

But instead of submitting his resignation at Monday night's City Council meeting to accept the position as the Chickasaw County Sheriff's chief dep-

uty, he recommended that city leaders being the search for his replacement.

That's because earlier in the day, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, on advice of its human resources attorney, held off on acknowledging Nobsich's appointment by Sheriff Ryan Shawver.

County Attorney David Laudner told board members that Ann Galloway had at first expressed concern that

the appointment might need to go through the Civil Service Commission, but even after concluding it didn't, she had concerns.

"She did, however suggest because it's an exempt position," Laudner said, "and because it's an open position, to be consistent with the county policies, she recommended that we post it on the bulletin board and post it on the website that we're looking for a chief

deputy and we have to post it for a minimum of 10 days."

Laudner told board members that he felt that supervisors could make the appointment Monday, but he also conceded that waiting until the job had been posted was the "safest" course for county leaders. He said then Shawver could then review the appli-

cants before making a final decision "and you guys [the supervisors] approve a resolution."

"I talked to all the deputies in my

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County once again says no to McGrath

Supervisors vote 3-2 to pass on new offer from former provider

By **BOB FENSKE**
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors once again rejected an offer from the owner of the ambulance service for a used rig as board members voted 3-2 Monday against a motion to purchase a 2003 ambulance from Chickasaw Ambulance Service owner Jeremy McGrath.

McGrath, who has made several attempts to sell ambulances and equipment to Chickasaw County EMS, had told the service's director, Joel Knutson, that he would sell the 2003 rig to the county for \$18,000 but that \$3,000 of that would be a donation from him to the service.

During the discussion, Supervisor Jake Hackman said he had just seen a similar ambulance being sold on ambulancetrader.com for \$20,000 and that he felt McGrath's offer was a fair one.

But fellow Supervisor Steve Breitbach expressed concerns about the age of the ambulance and the engine on the vehicle that would serve as a "backup" to the two new ambulances supervisors purchased for Chickasaw County EMS, which began service on Jan. 1.

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

It's that time of the season!

New Hampton High School basketball player Gannon Shekleton and his parents, Stacie and Justin, share a laugh during the Senior Parents Night ceremony that was held before the Chickasaws basketball games with Central Springs last week. And because the night honoring seniors usually comes near the end of the regular season, that can mean only one thing: It's playoff time, baby! While the girls state wrestling tournament was held last week, the boys wrestling, basketball and bowling postseasons kick off in the next few days.



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Fun at St. Joe's

Ben Carlton shows off his bubble-gum blowing talent during one of the activities held at St. Joseph Community School during Catholic Schools Week. See PHOTOS, Pages 7 and 10



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

A group of snowmobile riders head into Jerico last week, before a warming trend began melting a lot of the snow that recently fell.

Well, it was fun while it lasted

After a melt, it looks like we're in for another round of winter

By **BOB FENSKE**
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A string of sunny and warm days — OK, warm is a relative term — may have reduced our snow cover in recent days, but Old Man Winter appears like he's ready to bring us back to reality.

As of Tuesday night, when this edition of the Tribune went to press, Chickasaw County is under a winter storm watch that began Wednesday evening and runs through Thursday night.

So three days after we basked in 40 degree temperatures — remember, what we said about it all being relative — we have, at least according to the folks at the National Weather Service's La Crosse, Wisconsin, office, a better than 50 percent chance of getting at least six inches of snow by the time the sun sets today (Thursday).

Hey, at least the folks in the picture that accompanies this story will be happy, right?

SEE WINTER, 8

As of now, city to hold budget hearing Feb. 20

By **BOB FENSKE**
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New Hampton's City Council worked quickly Monday night; in fact all of six minutes elapsed between Mayor Bobby Schwickerath gaveling the meeting to order and adjournment.

And the key piece of business — setting Feb. 20 as the date for the first of two public hearings on the city's maximum tax levy rate for the 2023-24 fiscal year — may not even happen.

Under the proposed budget, New Hampton's proposed tax-levy rate will fall from \$11.29453 per \$1,000 valuation this year to \$11.21966 per \$1,000 valuation in the fiscal year that begins July 1.

That represents a less than 1 percent decrease, but the city would actually receive about 1.8 percent less in funding from property taxes — from \$1.742 million to \$1.710 million — because valuations next year are lower than they were for this year.

Under state law, cities are required to hold two public hearings and have their budgets certified by March 31.

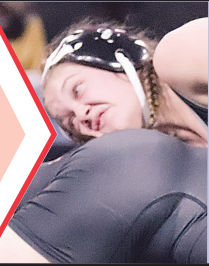
But because of issues in the Iowa Legislature, Schwickerath said that the first budget hearing may have to be postponed.

Last week, City Clerk Karen Clemens said that there's a real chance that the state may extend the filing requirement for cities to submit their budgets to April 30 because of the uncertainty in Des Moines.

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New Hampton girls bowling team picks up a historic victory
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THE FIRST STEP

NEW HAMPTON BUSINESS EXPANDS ITS SURVEYING TERRITORY

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Picture, if you will, walking into your new home.

You bought an acre or two of ground in the country, planned the house, saved enough for a downpayment and now the construction is complete. You're moving in.

But then imagine finding out part of the building is on ground that doesn't really belong to you.

"I have a lot of horror stories, for sure," said Kirk Reicks of Herold-Reicks Surveying. "Somebody built without the benefit of a survey. They don't want to spend the money, but compared to the cost of a new home or a farm ... it's pretty small."

He compares the situation to having the title to a car, but someone else is driving it.

And there are so many regulations that vary from county to county, or even on a case-by-case basis. Chickasaw County might have different rules than Bremer County, where HRS Surveying also has an office in Waverly, or Cerro Gordo County, where they have an office in Clear Lake.

"We work with the zoning offices, we know the rules and work hand-in-hand with zoning administrators."

Those rules extend to New Hampton.

"If someone is buying an existing house, it doesn't need to be surveyed," Reicks said, "however if people want to put an addition on it has to meet setback rules."

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— KIRK REICKS

HRS STARTED IN 2007 when Reicks and Paul Herold, who was Reicks' supervisor at a surveying business in West Union, both decided to leave the company they were working with and set out on their own.

Both were Turkey Valley graduates, but from different generations. Herold had graduated with Reicks' dad Rick and they didn't know each until they started working together.

"There was a big hole in Northeast Iowa," said Herold about the lack of surveyors in the area, "and New Hampton in particular."

So they formed a partnership, with an office above Rapid Printers in the Kennedy Building, one truck, survey equipment, computers and CAD software.

"Our first day open was Jan. 2, 2007," Reicks said. "We were sitting around that

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HRS Surveying original owners Kirk Reicks and Paul Herold (above) worked together at a surveying business in West Union before striking out on their own, and their business has grown to include a large fleet of trucks (below) and offices in New Hampton, Waverly and Clear Lake.

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Housing solution remains elusive, but hope may be on horizon

City economic development director says lawmakers making 'workforce housing' priority

By BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson is hoping for a "repeat" of sorts when it comes to building new housing in the city.

"I just went to a legislative forum, and one of the things I heard over and over is the need for workforce housing," she said. "The legislators pointed out that the last two years the focus has been daycare, and we obviously benefited from that. Now, they're saying they understand the need for workforce house — they keep calling it workforce housing but it's really what we call 'affordable housing' — and if we can get the state and feds to see how important that this is for communities like ours, I'm hoping that's a step in the right direction."

Robinson has been the city's economic development director for a dozen years, and the housing issue has been a challenge for all 12 of those years.

"It's right up there with daycare and the workforce shortage," she said, "and yes, there are times, I want to tear my hair out. We know we need affordable housing, what legislators call workforce housing, but we also have to make it cash flow, too. And that's the problem."

She said the key is finding a way to cover infrastructure costs for new developments, and the issue is that the costs of that infrastructure — roads, sewers, water lines, etc. — is pretty much the same as in places like Waverly or even Des Moines.

"But in Des Moines, you can get \$80,000 for a lot, and here we have to try to get the cost down to \$40,000 or \$50,000," Robinson said. "With the cost of infrastructure, that's just not possible."

Robinson pointed out that for rural Iowa communities like New Hampton to grow their housing stock, they need help from the federal and state governments, and the fact that lawmakers are making it a priority is the first step in the process.

"When they're talking workforce housing, they're talking about the two-, three-bedroom ranch houses with an attached garage," she said, "and our job is really to educate them that, yes, that's our goal, too, but the cost of that infrastructure isn't going to change. You still need roads, you still need pipes, you still need all that stuff and that cost doesn't go down necessarily because you're building smaller houses."

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

During U.S. Rep. Ashley Hinson's recent visit to New Hampton, New Hampton Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson and other city leaders — including New Horizons-Chamber's Liz Zweibohmer and Theresa Rasmussen — shared their concerns and the challenges of building new affordable housing in cities like New Hampton with the former television news anchorman whose district includes Chickasaw County.

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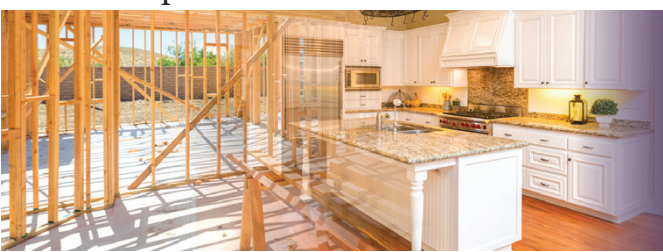
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Factors to consider when buying furniture

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Buying furniture can be an exciting prospect. The opportunity to breathe new life into a home with the addition of different furnishings inspires many people. However, at the same time, searching for furniture can be a tad overwhelming, especially when homeowners do not know where to begin.

Statistics Canada reports that Canadians spend an average of \$934 on furniture each year. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that, in 2017, Americans spent an average of \$2,484 on furniture. While furniture may not be the most costly investment, it's also not the cheapest, which is why getting it right is important.

Determine your needs

The first step in purchasing new furniture is to decide what is needed. Assess current furniture and think about what works for certain pieces and what doesn't. Then you can gear purchases around desired features. For example, if you've determined chenille fabric holds on to too much pet fur, the next couch may be leather or microfiber.

Measure more than once
Measure your room multi-



ple times and create a mock floor plan. This will help when figuring out if certain pieces can fit into the space. Some retailers even offer floor plan software on their websites so that you can upload the dimensions of your room and see how certain items will fit in your spaces. In addition, be sure to measure the width of doors to ensure that it's easy to get the furniture into the home when delivered.

Determine your style

Figure out which style best fits your personality and lifestyle. This may be traditional, transitional or modern. Incorporate pieces accordingly, or mix and match to create a look that is completely unique.

Confirm materials

Consider your budget when choosing the construction materials for the furniture.

Solid wood tends to be more expensive, but often more durable than engineered products. In addition, check to see how items are built. Pull out drawers and check hinges to ensure the quality is there.

Save money on sales

Furniture can be expensive, but there is room for savings. Shop when retailers offer seasonal sales. Consider warehouse retailers, which often sell select items at a discount.

Read reviews

Before taking the plunge, be sure to read reviews of items and retailers. While items may appear perfect, reviews can shed light on how pieces stand up to wear and tear.

Shopping for furniture means taking steps to measure, match style, read reviews, and find pieces that fit homeowners' lifestyles.

6 signs you may need a new HVAC system

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There's no place like home, especially when that home is a comfortable and safe haven. One of the ways residents find comfort in their homes is by maintaining the right indoor temperatures, which fluctuate along with the seasons. While there is much to be said about opening windows and doors to let Mother Nature do her thing, indoor comfort is often maintained with an HVAC system.

HVAC stands for heating, ventilation and air conditioning. It can include heat pumps, furnaces and air conditioning units. It is an automated system that works by adjusting a thermostat to regulate air temperature, and sometimes humidity, in the home. According to Enviguard, a commercial contracting provider, HVAC systems also may be used to improve indoor air quality through filtration and oxygen replacement.

As with any mechanical device, an HVAC system has a life span that must be considered. Should any of the following conditions be present, it is likely time to consult with an HVAC technician to see if repairs or replacement of the entire

system is warranted.

1. Age

If the HVAC system is more than 10 years old, it could be time to begin budgeting for a new unit. Many modern, efficient systems may last 12 to 14 years with routine maintenance. But it's good to keep an HVAC system's age in mind so you can readily recognize when it might start to fail.

2. Longer or constant running times

An efficient, properly working system will quickly heat or cool the home and then turn off. A system that is turning on repeatedly or having to run for awhile before the set temperature is reached could be nearing the end of its utility.

3. Strange noises

Groaning, banging or loud humming noises should be addressed. While these noises may indicate that certain components need maintenance or replacement, they also could be symptoms of age and a system nearing failure.

4. Frequent repair visits

Knowing the HVAC company's repair person by name is a sign that the system has required too much work in recent months. Repeated issues and repairs are probably signs that it's time to consider a system replacement.

5. Higher bills

Sticker shock when receiving electricity or gas bills likely mean the HVAC system isn't working efficiently and might need to be replaced.

6. Poor indoor air quality

If the home is dusty or humid or even if allergies seem to have cropped up out of nowhere, this could indicate a poorly functioning HVAC system.

HVAC systems are vital to keeping indoor environments comfortable and safe. Such systems may exhibit certain signs that indicate they need to be replaced.

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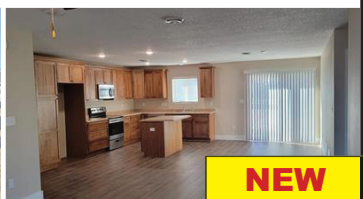


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Could you cope with long-term care costs?

We all want to stay healthy and live independently throughout our retirement years. Unfortunately, that won't be possible for some of us, so it's a good idea to be prepared for health-related challenges — such as the need for long-term care.

As you may know, long-term care covers a variety of services, ranging from occasional visits from a home health aide to full-time residency in a nursing home. But while these types of care may vary in duration and intensity, they all have one thing in common — they're *expensive*. Genworth, an insurance company, reports these median annual costs:

- Over \$100,000 for a private room in a nursing home
- Over \$60,000 for the services of a home health aide

Furthermore, Medicare typically pays very few of these expenses, which means the burden of payment will likely fall on you — or, even worse, on your adult children if you can't afford the care you need.

Of course, you could hope that you will avoid these costs simply by not requiring any type of assistance — but the odds aren't necessarily in your favor. In fact, someone turning 65 today has an almost 70% chance of needing some type of long-term care services in their remaining years, according to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

So, how can you protect yourself from the potentially enormous costs of long-term care? You could decide that you'll pay out of pocket — if so, you'll need to incorporate into your retirement budget a reasonable estimate of potential long-term care costs, and you may need to make some significant changes to your saving and investment plans. And the earlier you begin, the better.

Your other option is to purchase some form of long-term care insurance. Essentially, three types of coverage are available:



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• **Hybrid long-term care insurance** – In addition to providing coverage for home health care or a nursing home stay, a hybrid long-term care policy also offers a death benefit, so if you never need long-term care, your family could benefit from the policy's proceeds.

• **Life insurance with a long-term care rider** – You can find a life insurance policy that lets you add long-term care coverage through a "rider," or optional add-on. With this type of policy, you can use some of the death benefit to pay for your long-term care needs.

Which policy is best for you? There's no one right answer for everyone. A financial professional can help you evaluate all your options within the context of your overall investment and protection strategies. But keep in mind that all long-term care policies tend to get more expensive as you get older, so if you're considering this type of coverage, you may want to get started sooner rather than later.

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Speech team earns three Division I ratings

By Bob Fenske
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New Hampton coach Kassie Bercik was asked how she felt about the state large-group speech contest last weekend, and she kept it short and sweet.

"Saturday was an awesome day," she said after three of the five New Hampton groups received Division I ratings at the contest held at Waterloo West High School.

Two group improvisation teams — one consisting of Madi Dreckman, Catherine Pethoud

and Cadence Phillips; the other containing Miranda Buckley, Annala Elliott, Syd Hyder and Isabel Willadsen joined the radio broadcasting duo of Cam McMorris and Lee Reicks in earning the coveted Division I ratings that signify superior performances.

And two other groups came home with excellent Division II ratings, and members of those groups included Grace Baker, Emily Manweiler, Beth Pickar, Willadsen and Kaydence Zack (choral reading) and Buckley, Natalie Hidding and Pethoud

(ensemble acting).

"I was excited to see all of the students' hard work pay off," Bercik said. "I'm so lucky to have the best kids who put their heart into what they do. They put themselves out of their comfort zone and it makes me so proud each time I watch them. As my state large group shirt says on the back this year: 'It never gets easier, you just get better.' That mantra was definitely true this year and will continue to ring true in seasons to come!"

The speech coach also lauded

the leadership by her seniors — kids like Pethoud, Elliott, Willadsen, Manweiler and Zack.

"With so many seniors participating, it was a bittersweet day for a lot of them and for me," Bercik said. "All of the seniors have been in large-group speech since freshman year, so knowing this was going to be their last performances made everyone a little sad."

"Thankfully, most of the groups used that emotion to go out on the highest note possible and rocked their performances!"



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton Police Chief Zach Nosbisch listens as Chickasaw County Sheriff Ryan Shawver talks about his office's chief deputy opening during Monday's Board of Supervisors meeting.

Supervisors hold off on chief deputy

SHERIFF: FROM 1

office one on one [and] asked A, if they were interested, and B, if not, who else they might recommend," Shawver said. "There were a few who showed a little bit of interest, but everyone at the end of the day fully supports Zach to be the chief deputy. But if we need to go through this process, so be it."

Nosbisch worked at the sheriff's office as a jailer and dispatcher in the mid 2000s before becoming a police officer in New Hampton. He worked as a deputy from 2013 to 2018 with the Sheriff's Office before returning to the police department in late August 2018 to become chief.

"I feel Zach's the best person for the job," Shawver said. "We've worked together since I started in law enforcement in 2008. With his role as chief and my role as chief deputy, we've worked together constantly. We share a lot of the same philosophies. ... He's got the administrative experience down at the police department that I feel

will be very beneficial to me because he's gone through the budget processes a few times more than I have."

In an interview later Monday, Nosbisch said it was a tough decision to accept Shawver's office.

"This has nothing to do with the city of New Hampton," he said. "I've really enjoyed being chief and working with the people I work with, but this is a really good opportunity for me, too."

During Monday's meeting, Shawver said that to his knowledge, the last three chief deputies — Marty Hemann, Reed Palo and himself — had been appointed without posting the position.

Shawver was appointed sheriff by supervisors on Jan. 23, four days after Sheriff Marty Hemann worked his last day before retiring. Shawver said he would like to get the position filled as quickly as possible, but even though Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said that "I support moving forward," the other supervisors were hesitant.

Supervisor Jake Hackman said he felt

supervisors should wait, "just because of what Ann's recommending."

And while Laudner said he felt the board could approve the appointment Monday, he pointed out that if "someone comes out of the woodwork and challenges it," the county could face a potential lawsuit.

"The code is silent on it," he said. "Statutorily, you're not required to, but HR thinks this is the cleanest way to do it."

Nosbisch did tell supervisors Monday night that he would not resign his current position until he was appointed chief deputy, and Hackman said he understood the chief's position but still felt the job should be posted for 10 days and supervisors could vote on the appointment at its Feb. 21 meeting.

On Monday night, Nosbisch told council members that he felt the city should begin the process of finding his replacement.

"At worse, we get applications and then don't have to fill it," he said, "but this would get us ahead of the game here for the police department."

Board acknowledges EMA director's hiring as ambulance EMT

AMBULANCE: FROM 1

"To be on the record, I'm not in favor of this old of an ambulance with a 7.3 diesel," Breitbach said. "They're a fairly reliable motor. I've got a couple of pickups with those in there, but I also have a mechanic on staff that keeps them running. I would not run for an emergency vehicle."

Knutson, meanwhile, told supervisors that late last week he learned that Klocke's Emergency Vehicles, the firm that sold the county the two new ambulances, would have three used ambulances available and deliverable by mid- to late-March.

He said all three were 2010 vehicles with less than 90,000 miles on them and that each would be sold for around \$80,000.

Knutson said he worried that if the county purchased McGrath's vehicle, which has about 144,000 miles on it, it

would have little, if any, trade-in value when it needed to be replaced.

"I guess I was very in favor, if we weren't going to go new [for a third ambulance], I was OK with this truck up until I found out about the ones that were coming in from the dealer network," he said. "Enough years newer and enough, the biggest thing is they're going to be worth something when we ... need to replace a truck, it can be remounted. That other one can't be."

He also pointed out that the vehicles Klocke will have for sale will also come with so-called "power-load" cots, which the old Chickasaw Ambulance Service vehicle doesn't have.

Hackman, though, said if the county purchased the vehicle from McGrath, it would have the third rig Knutson has strongly lobbied for almost immediately.

"We'd have a third rig, ready to go," he said. "Buy local."

Hackman made the motion to accept McGrath's offer, and Travis Suckow seconded it, but none of the other three supervisors — Breitbach, Matt Kuhn and Scott Cerwinske — supported it.

Also on Monday, the Board of Supervisors, after a week's delay, acknowledged the hiring of Jeff Bernatz, the Chickasaw County Emergency Management Agency director, as a part-time EMT for the service.

When one resident, Kathy Shekleton, attending the meeting questioned the hire and said Bernatz would "be double-dipping off the county then," Knutson said it was important for Bernatz to be listed as a Chickasaw County EMS employee in case of emergencies.

"I am not going to use Jeff Bernatz for 40 hours a week as a [EMT] provider," he said. "I am going to need him in the event that we have a three-car accident out on the bypass and I need him to jump into my

ambulance to provide care for a patient. I can not make that any more clear. He can not be in my ambulance, the county's ambulance, without being on our roster. That's it, plain and simple."

Supervisors had passed on acknowledging Bernatz's hire the week before because it wanted to run his hire by the county's human resources attorney, who told the board that as long as Bernatz doesn't work more than 40 hours a week with the ambulance service, she saw no issue.

And Kuhn, the board's chairman, said in response to Shekleton's comments that technically, Bernatz does not work for the county; instead, he is an employee of the Emergency Management Commission.

Supervisors unanimously acknowledged his hiring and also learned that the county's second new ambulance — it currently is using a "loaner" as its second rig — is expected to be delivered on Feb. 21.

Briefs

Chickasaw County Public Health holding blood pressure screenings

There will be a number of blood pressure testing sites in the county today [Thursday].

The New Hampton Public Library will host testing by Chickasaw Public Health and Homecare Services today from 10 to 11 a.m., the Nashua Public Library will do the same from 10 a.m. to noon and the Fredericksburg Upham Memorial Library will hold testing from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Soil health workshop set for later this month at NICC

Farmers and industry persons are invited to attend the second annual Soil Health Workshop in conjunction with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) on Thursday, Feb. 23, from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The event will be held at the Wilder Business Center on Northeast Iowa Community College's (NICC) Calmar campus. The workshop will feature a variety of speakers focused on unlocking nutrients with soil health.

Jimmy Emmons, of Leedey, Okla., is the first presenter with "Grazing Beyond the Yield." An international leader in the soil health movement, Emmons served as the regional coordinator for USDA's Farm Production and Conservation Program. He recently joined the Oklahoma Conservation Commission as its soil health mentoring coordinator.

The second presenter, Jon Stevens of Rock Creek, Minn., will give a talk titled, "Heretic Farmer." Stevens farms 750 acres in East Central Minnesota including corn, soybeans, wheat, hay and growing a retail beef herd. Stevens' farm has seen a reduction in equipment costs, labor, diesel fuel and most importantly fertilizer expenses while maintaining or increasing production.

Breakout sessions for the event will be led by Amos Troester, of Garnavillo; Mark Stock, of Waukon; Tim Recker, of Arlington; and Jerome Fulsas, Decorah.

There is no cost to attend and lunch will be provided. Pre-registration is required Feb. 17. The event also offers 3.5 hours of Certified Crop Advising (CCA) credit. For complete workshop details and registration, visit www.nicc.edu/soilhealth.

Chickasaw County Cattlemen to hold banquet on March 11

The Chickasaw County Cattlemen's Association will hold its annual banquet next month that will include a prime rib dinner, as well as the annual meeting and scholarship auction.

The event is set for Saturday, March 11, and will be held at the Pub at the Pinicon, beginning with a social hour at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the business meeting and auction will start at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door and can be purchased from any member of the Chickasaw County Cattlemen's Association or by calling Joanne Tupper at 641-330-9969.

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Forecast

Thursday: Snow and blowing snow likely; high, 34, low 14.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 21 and a low of 2.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 29 and a low of 20.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 35 and a low of 19.

Extended forecast: Sunny on Monday but we might see more snow or rain Tuesday with highs in the 30s and lows dropping into the 20s.

Meetings

MONDAY

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m.
- New Hampton Light Plant and Telecommunications, 5 p.m., Light Plant Board Room.

History

- In 1824, as no presidential candidate received a majority of electoral votes in the election of 1824, the U.S. House of Representatives votes to elect John Quincy Adams, who won fewer votes than Andrew Jackson in the popular election, as president of the United States.
- In 1942, Congress pushes ahead standard time for the United States by one hour in each time zone, imposing daylight saving time—called at the time “war time.”
- In 1971, pitcher Leroy “Satchel” Paige becomes the first Negro League veteran to be named to the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- In 1992, after stunning the world three months earlier with the news he had contracted the HIV virus, basketball great Magic Johnson returns to play in the 42nd NBA All-Star game in Orlando.

Birthdays

- William Henry Harrison, the ninth president of the United States, was born in 1773.
- Hall of Fame baseball owner Bill Veeck was born in 1914.
- Hall of Fame baseball player Vladimir Guerrero turns 48.
- Former Dallas Cowboys quarterback Danny White turns 71.
- American film actor Joe Pesci turns 80.
- Grammy award winning songwriter and singer Carole King turns 81.

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Rosemary Kriener, 89

Rosemary Kriener, age 89 of Fort Atkinson, died on Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2023, at her home in Fort Atkinson.

Mass of Christian Burial was held 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023, at the St. Luke’s Catholic Church at 215 East Main St. St. Lucas, with the Rev. Nick Radloff presiding.

Burial was in the St. Luke’s Cemetery.

Visitation was from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, 2023, at St. Luke’s Catholic Church and after 9:30 a.m. Saturday morning at the church.

Rosemary Theresa (Herold) Kriener was born on Sept. 12, 1933, on the family farm outside of Fort Atkinson.

She tagged along earlier than most to the one-room school-house just across the road, sitting on catalogs to get a better vantage point of all the learning that was happening around her. Her early schooling took place in Fort Atkinson and she graduated from high school in Waucoma, as it was more convenient to ride with big sister Valeria to her teaching assignment.

Rosemary came from a long line of educators and also made this her calling. She earned her AA teaching degree from Mount Mercy College, spent a summer in South Dakota and then earned her BA from the Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, currently UNI. She loved learning. Rosemary taught at Alpha, Strawberry Point, Hawkeye, West Union and St. Lucas.

Rosemary took a shine to Leo Kriener after he asked her to a common neighbor’s wedding dance in Spillville. They married on Aug. 4, 1962, and shared a lifetime of farming and raising six children to know that hard work, responsibility and God’s love were an important part of making your way in the world. Rosemary had a knack for making work enjoyable. Lessons were learned and friendships formed while walking bean fields, canning, making hay or doing other family chores.

Whenever possible she liked to travel, watch her children and grandchildren’s events and visit with others.

Rosemary was a devout Christian and community leader teaching religious education, planning funerals and participating in the Catholic Order of Foresters, the Catholic Daughters of America, the Rosary Society, St. Lucas Board of Education, Christ Our Hope Cluster Chorale and the American Legion Auxiliary. She loved praying the rosary and incorporated it into most car trips. Prayers for others was a daily priority.

Rosemary was a servant to the earth, someone who could nurture a garden to make anything grow.

She enjoyed quilting and sewing blankets to keep her loved ones warm and reminded of her love.

Rosemary was an excellent cook and baker, always sharing and teaching her kids and grandchildren how to make her favorite recipes.

She stayed in constant contact with her family via phone, text, FaceTime and snail mail. She was a caretaker by nature for her parents, husband and sisters. The house was always open to visitors to share a cup (or pot) of coffee and lively conversation.

Rosemary will be missed. She had 89 years full of love, adventure, courage and serving others and Christ.

Rosemary is survived by her six children, Anne (Dave) Blocker, Evie (Myron) Milbrandt, Linda Jones, Rich (Nancy) Kriener, Arnie (Tanya) Kriener and Joe (Kristin) Kriener; grandchildren, Katie, Marty and Grace Blocker, Cassie and Nolan Milbrandt, Xavier (Alexis), Markus (Evelyn) and Trinton Jones, Ryan (Beth), Mikia, and Tyler Kriener, Kyleigh (Shaun Galbraith) Kriener, Jared (Nick) Nienhaus, Allanda and Madison Kriener, Kroix and Skylar Klingfus, and Trey, Eric and Clara Kriener; great-grandchildren, Gabriel Jones, Mirielle Nienhaus and Nora Galbraith; her sister, Anastasia Kriener, brother- and sisters-in-law, Anita Herold, Anita Busta, Conrad and Kathleen Kriener, Diane Kriener, and Madonna Kriener; and by numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo; parents, Martin and Mayme Herold; in-laws, Peter and Mary Kriener; siblings and in-laws Valeria Herold, Ambrose (Evelyn) Herold, Cletus Herold, Peter Kriener, Cyril Kriener, Ignatius and Pauline Kriener, Eleanor and Reuben Mracek, Linus Kriener, Francis Kriener, Godlove Busta, Herman and Greta Kriener, Jerome Kriener and Lawrence Kriener (in infancy); and grandchildren, Paul and Mary Blocker (in infancy).

Jeanette Poncelet, 90

Jeanette Poncelet, age 90, passed peacefully on Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023, at the Willows in Fredericksburg, with her niece, Gayle Poncelet, and Hospice gently guiding Jeanette to her place in Heaven.

Jeanette, who was born on May 4, 1932, held master’s degrees in educational psychology and nutrition. Jeanette was a lifelong educator. Her favorite students were first-graders.

After retiring from teaching, she became the behavioral consultant for the Fort Wayne Indiana Developmental Center, a residential center for persons with developmental and intellectual challenges.

Jeanette was an award-winning gardener and teacher in the art and beauty of nature at her home in the Williams Woodland Neighborhood since moving from Chicago to her home in Fort Wayne in 1976.

Jeanette traveled to the Philippines to assist with funding and constructing fishponds providing a source food for the people.

Jeanette attended the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Church of the in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Jeanette was presented with the Sertoma Award for Service to Mankind. In news articles the presenters stated, “Jeanette Poncelet was selected for this award due to her overall dedication to those in need.”

Jeanette will always be remembered as a beautiful soul. She provided food, shelter, transportation, education, and financial support for many who never knew her name.

Rosemary Kriener



Betty Louise Gorman, 88

Betty Louise Gorman, age 88 of New Hampton, died Friday, Feb. 3, 2023, at her home.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with the Rev. Nick Radloff celebrating the Mass.

Interment will take place at a later date.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 6, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there will be a 7 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Tuesday at the church.

If you were unable to attend, you could join the family via livestream <https://foveo.stream/hugeback-johnson/betty-l-gorman>.

Betty’s long and well-lived life began in New Hampton on Nov. 26, 1934, when William and Arlene (Boos) Denner welcomed their first child into the world. She grew up in the city, attended school, and was a graduate of the Class of 1952 at New Hampton High School.

Betty and her friends loved to go dancing at Club Iowa in Charles City, and Betty always hoped that she’d see a handsome young man named Jack Gorman at the club. Once they did meet, the spark was lit and never flamed out. The two began dating, fell in love, and were married on June 25, 1955.

The Gormans had six children — Barb, Bev, Tom, Mike, Jim, and Karen — and while Jack ran his tire business, Betty ran the household. She and Jack were their children’s biggest supporters and loved attending their school events and games.

When Karen headed off to first grade, Betty went to work at the First National Bank, where she served as a teller until the late 1990s before retiring and volunteering at Comprehensive Systems.

Betty had many interests.

She and Jack loved to bowl, and both served as league secretaries. Over the years, Betty participated in a number of state bowling tournaments.

The Gormans, through a church program called CFM, became lifelong friends with the Hugebacks, Lunemanns, and O’Neills, and the families did almost everything together — including hosting picnics and heading over to Clear Lake for fun-filled weekends. Betty also enjoyed golfing with Jack and playing bridge with her card club friends.

Betty continued to play cards, especially euchre, right up to her passing. Jim, Arlie, Mary Jean, Rose, and Stan were her card partners and were a big part of Betty’s life.

In 1967, she began what remains a Gorman tradition to this day as the family made the trek to Walker, Minnesota, to spend a week at Leech Lake. Over the years, the event has just gotten bigger and bigger.

Betty and Jack were big Iowa Hawkeye fans and attended a number of games at Kinnick Stadium. They also traveled to several bowl games to root on the Hawks, but her favorite team was the New Hampton Chickasaws. She rarely, if ever, missed her grandchildren’s games, meets, and tournaments, and that included the grandkids who went on to play college sports.

Betty also enjoyed traveling with friends and saw a good part of the world on vacations to places like Hawaii, the Bahamas, Colorado, Australia, and Normandy. Betty always liked exploring the beauty of the Rocky Mountains.

Her family and her community always came first. Betty and Jack were named the first “Parents of the Year” by the University of Northern Iowa when Barb, Bev, and Tom were all attending the school. She was a member of the PEO Sisterhood and Rosary Society at St. Joe’s, where for years she ran the “Country Store” during the Fall Festival.

Betty had a wonderful zest for life, and all those who knew her will deeply miss her. But, they also know that she is reunited with Jack today, in a far better place.

Betty is survived by three daughters, Barb Gorman (Jeff Spreen) of Walker, Minnesota, Bev (Troy) Coody of Longmont, Colorado, and Karen (Rick) Clemens of New Hampton; three sons, Tom (Lisa) Gorman of Rosemount, Minnesota, Mike (Carie) Gorman of New Hampton and Jim (Janet) Gorman of New Hampton; 19 grandchildren, Andrew Spreen, T.K. (Christina) Coody, Katie (Kirk) Mitchell, Seth Gorman, Lydia Gorman, Zach (Amanda) Gorman, Tyler (Abby) Gorman, Ryan Gorman, Conner Gorman, Craig (Nicole) Volk, Kristin (Aaron) Anderson, Ryan (Kristin) Volk, Holli (Kaleb) Staack, Nicole (Brett Johnson) Mulford, Matt Mulford, Josh (Jennifer) Clemens, Erica (Chad Wilking) Clemens, Stephanie (Brent) Sands, and Mitchell (Taylor) Clemens; 12 great-grandchildren with one on the way; and one brother, Glen (Judy) Denner of Oak Grove, Alabama.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Jack, in 2018.

Patricia Goodrich, 78

Patricia Goodrich, age 78 of Frederika, died Monday, Jan. 30, 2023, at The University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics in Iowa City.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 6, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton with Betty Schmuldach officiating.

Friends greeted the family from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continued an hour before the service at the funeral home on Monday.

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

Pat was born on Jan. 2, 1945, to Herman and Dora (Seegers) Bruns in Waverly, and she was the youngest of the couple’s six children. She grew up on a farm just north and east of Denver until she was 5 when her parents moved into town.

She received her education at Denver schools, and although a heart condition meant she couldn’t participate in sports, Pat loved to cheer on her sister Jeanette, who was a star basketball player for the Cyclones, and Pat also had an incredible singing voice.

After graduating from Denver High School in 1963, Pat attended Gates Business College in Waterloo for a year before taking a job at Hub Electric, where she worked for four years. She then went to work at Control-O-Fax, where she worked for 39 ½ years as an order clerk and in customer service.

Pat worked as a server part-time at the AMVETS Club in Waverly, where she met Roger Goodrich, who was persistent and finally won her heart. The two were married on February 16, 1991.

The couple loved to go dancing and both were big fans of Molly B. Pat also enjoyed putting together puzzles, reading books, and going out to eat. They also enjoyed traveling, and one of their favorite trips was the one in which they went to Hawaii.

She was also a huge fan of the Chicago Cubs, and like all Cubbie fans, she was overjoyed when the Cubs finally ended a 108-year drought by winning the 2016 World Series.

Feb. 10, 2023, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton, where there will be a 7 p.m. Scripture Service. Further visitation will be one hour before the service at the church on Saturday.

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

Dwayne Edward Cromer, 55

Dwayne Edward Cromer, age 55 of New Hampton, died Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2023, at his home.

Per Dwayne’s requests, no formal services will be held.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton have been entrusted with Dwayne’s arrangements.

Property Transfers

Gerald G. Reiss to Abram James Karels; NW SW 05-96-14 W2/3 NE SW 05-96-14.

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Shari Marr, 45



Shari Marr

their biggest fan. Going to their activities and being part of their lives is what I am saddest to leave behind. Natalie just started college. She will add so much to the world. One of the things I will miss most is watching her be the amazing leader and person she is. Landon is in high school. I was excited to see what direction he will go in the future. He was my golfing partner, and I loved watching him in band and baseball.

As we added kids I also changed jobs to keep learning and growing in my profession. After St. Joe's, I also worked at Sacred Heart in Osage, was an Early Head Start Home Visitor, and provided several years of training for childcare providers around Northeast Iowa.

I was currently teaching at Crestwood Elementary for the Howard-Winneshiek school district. I had a great work family at Howard-Winn and am forever part of that team. During my years there, I moved into early elementary special education. It makes me sad to think I won't be teaching because I had more to give, but I am grateful for all the students and families I have worked with over all my years of teaching. The co-workers I had at each job were also people that brought me a lot of joy in life. Educators are a unique group of people and it was fun to be part of that crowd.

When I did have free time I liked to read, play golf, listen to music, watch T.V., and to spend time outside when it was really hot and humid. I hated being cold so you probably saw me in a stocking hat most months of the year.

Camping was one of my

favorite summer activities to do from childhood to now and the best part was sitting around a campfire at night. My favorite place to eat was Taco John's.

When I grew up I wanted to be a meteorologist. I am a 4-H alum and loved being a 4-H mom. I was a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas through Good Shepherd Cluster. I was the Chickasaw County Hawkeye for Our Iowa magazine. Spending time with friends and family is something I cherished.

The farm was still a favorite place to visit. Family vacations and day trips were my favorite things to plan and do. While life didn't last as long as I planned, I had a lifetime of good memories. A lot of that have to do with the great people that I met along the way. If you read this and met me, then we shared a memory and you were part of my life experiences.

I am leaving behind a lot of people who love me — my husband, Scotty and children Natalie and Landon Marr of New Hampton; parents, Darwin "Pete" and Kathy Peterson of Oelwein; brother, Adam (Brooke) Peterson and their children Isobel and Julia of Marion; brother, Josh (Amanda) Peterson and their children Hope and Anthony of Center Point; mother-in-law, Rita Marr of New Hampton; and sister-in-law, Stacey (Joe) Frahm and her children Payton, Marren, and Teagan Dougherty of Stewartville, Minnesota. I also leave behind a large number of amazing relatives, neighbors, friends, colleagues, and the great communities of New Hampton, Cresco, and Oelwein.

I was preceded in death by a brother in infancy and my father-in-law, Emil Marr.

Cancer was a hard journey. It involved a lot of hospital stays, needles and not feeling well. I can get some peace now with all of the relatives and friends that have gone before me in life.

I don't feel alone because I know I have a lot of special people waiting for me.

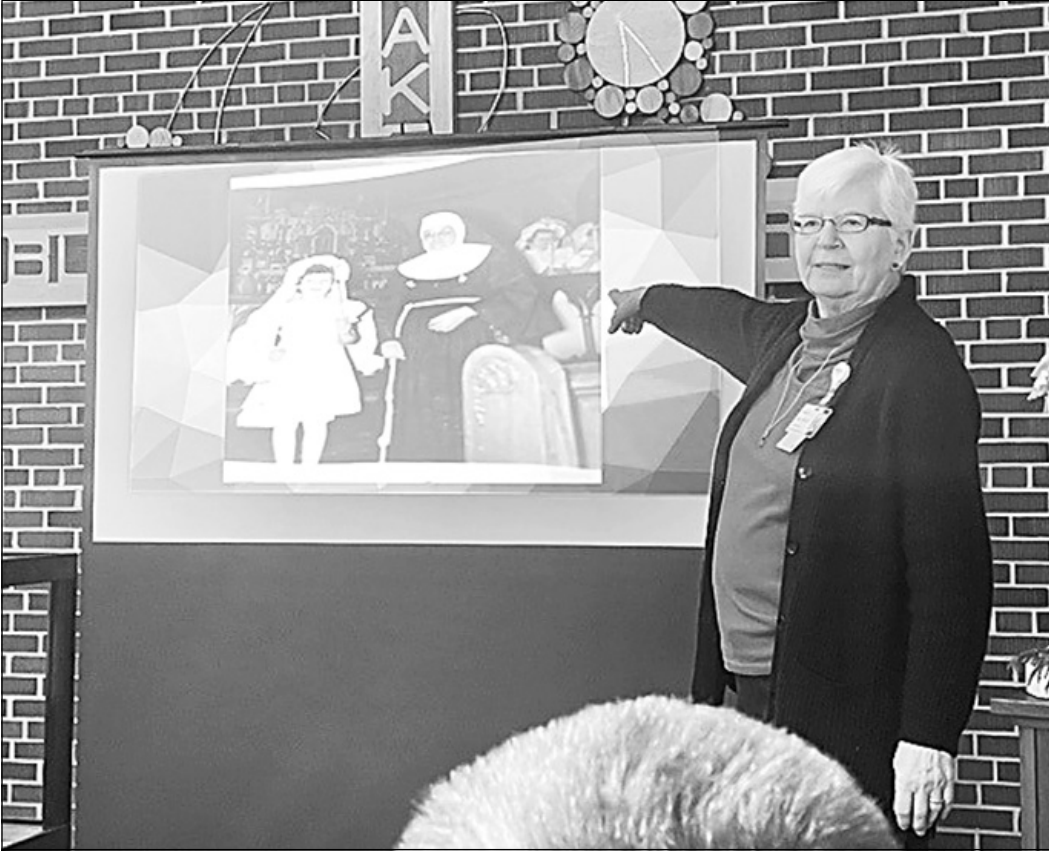
Thanks for taking the time to read my obituary. You learned a little about me and for a moment I was special. Now go out in the world and find the positives and keep moving forward!



Photos courtesy of St. Joseph Community School

Celebrating a lot!

St. Joseph Community School celebrated Catholic Schools Week by celebrating its teachers, its nation, the church's vocations and more last week. During "Celebating Our Nation" day, area veterans (above) share flag facts with students in the school's Gathering Place while on "Celebrating Vocations" day, Sister Vicky Arndorfer (below) talks about her career as a nun.



Donald 'Don' Johnson, 69



Don Johnson

the couple were united in marriage in 1991. They made their home in Pleasant Hill, when Don was offered a position with a Specialty Foods Corporation. They welcomed their son, Chance.

In 1997, the family returned to New Hampton where he continued his career in sales. Together, Don and Pat purchased M&M Movies.

On July 5, 2004, the family's life was forever changed when Don suffered a ruptured

brain aneurysm causing a hemorrhagic stroke. After this tragedy, the Johnson household was never the same. As a family, they adjusted to their new lives and cherished every moment. Don continued to enjoy time with his family and ensured there was never a dull moment.

Don enjoyed fishing, hunting, cheering for the Hawks, gardening/canning the spiciest tomato juice, and spending time with friends and family.

Those left to honor his memory are his wife, Pat Johnson of New Hampton; his son, Chance (Allie) Johnson of Ankeny; his stepson, Josh Cox of New Hampton; his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; his brother, Wayne Johnson of New Hampton; brothers-in-law, Frank Peters and Donnie Peters, both of New Hampton; sisters-in-law, Helen (Tom) Dockendorf of New Hampton, and Cindy Peters of New Hampton; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Richard Johnson; brothers-in-law, Dean Peters and Allan Peters.

I have decided that the best person to write about me is me! If you are reading this it is because leukemia won out in the end. I was dealt a crappy hand, but I tried my best to come out ahead. I passed away on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023, at my home surrounded by my family.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 9, 2023, at Holy Family Parish, New Hampton, with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, New Hampton.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2023, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass at the church on Thursday.

I was born to Darwin and Kathy Peterson on May 4, 1977. That date became Star Wars Day later in life. Since I was born on that date and in the year of the first Star Wars, I liked to think I was strong with the force. My parents added my brothers Adam and Josh making me the wise older sister (so I like to think). I grew up on the farm and made a lot of memories. At the time I didn't think some were so fun, especially moving pigs day. Now I look back and realize it wasn't so bad and farm life played a big part in who I am today.

I graduated from Oelwein High School in 1995 and went to Graceland College (now Graceland University) in Lamoni. I received a teaching degree and later a masters degree.

My first teaching job out of college was at St. Joseph Community School in New Hampton. I looked young enough to be one of the eighth-grade students, but they took a chance on me and it started my teaching career.

During my first year there I was set up on a blind date with a local named Scotty Marr. I called him back after that first date and we went on to get married and had just celebrated 21 years of marriage in March. We were lucky enough to become the parents of Natalie and Landon. Being a mom brought me the most joy in life. I was

Donald "Don" Johnson, age 69 of New Hampton, passed away peacefully on Feb. 5, 2023, at Colonial Manor in Elma.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, at Jerico Lutheran Church in Jerico, with Pastor Peter Faugstad leading the service.

There will be a two-hour visitation at the church on Saturday prior to the funeral service.

Burial will be held at a later date.

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

Don was born June 23, 1953, the son of Lester and Marlys (Schanfeld) Johnson. He attended and graduated from New Hampton High School in 1971. After completing his education, Don began working at Liddle's Super Value.

In 1973, Don was united in marriage to Cheryl Eskilson. Together they welcomed their three children — Trisha, Trevor, and Tony. The couple later divorced.

He later met Pat Cox and

Evelyn 'Sis' Wurzer

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

A Mass of Christian Burial will be 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 will follow at the Alpha Cemetery. Friends greeted the family from 3 to 7 p.m. on

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2023, at the Waucoma Event Center. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Thursday at the church.

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

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

ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 20.

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NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of Feb. 5

1948 (75 years ago)

• Lawler won the Chickasaw County boys' basketball tournament here last week by defeating New Hampton 21-19 in the championship round.

Lawler's defense of her title was one of the most thrilling basketball games of the season as they came behind to clinch the crown for another year. Costigan and Schmitt led the offense with six points each, while Jim O'Connor paced the "Chicks" offense.

Nashua defeated Fredericksburg 38-33 for consolation honors.

• Of 737 students enrolled in Chickasaw County high schools, 693 students took advantage of the opportunity to have a chest examination last October, according to final statistics on the X-ray program released by the Iowa Tuberculosis Association.

The purpose of the program was to detect unsuspected cases of tuberculosis among high school students, teachers and other school employees.

1973 (50 years ago)

• Linda Theis, president of the Scarleteers, presented a check to Mrs. Lynn Ihde, secretary of the Saint Joseph Community Hospital Auxiliary.

This check, proceeds from the Scarleteers have earned over the past two years through singing engagements and various other projects, will be used by the Auxiliary for the purchase of a wheelchair.

The Scarleteers are a singing group from the New Hampton High School, under the direction of Mrs. Gladys Antle, vocal music instructor.

• Dave Hennings and Bob Vorwald of New Hampton Community High's Chickasaws remained in contention for the Northeast Iowa Conference scoring title, following games played through Jan. 27.

Hennings was holding fourth place in the point derby as a 14.1 average and Vorwald was in the No. 14 spot at a 10.6 clip. Twenty-three of the loop's cagers had averaged 9 point or more per outing against conference opposition.

Cresco's Jerry Heying moved into first place with an average of 16.3 points.

1998 (25 years ago)

• Two of the nation's largest, Catholic, not-for-profit health organizations, Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI) and Mercy Health Services (MHS), announced Jan. 28, their intention to consolidate their Iowa health networks into a single joint operating organization to be called Mercy Health Network. St. Joseph Community Hospital, a member of HMS, will be part of Mercy Health Network.

New Hampton Chickasaws Athletes of the Week: Boys Basketball, Carew Kalishek, Senior, Game vs. Oelwein, he scored 13 points, 13 rebounds, 3 assists and 1 block; Cory Beckman, Junior, 140 pounds, won Conference Championship, his current record is 25 & 0; Girls Basketball, Kristin Volk, Junior Guard/Forward, last weeks 2 games she averaged 23 points, 11 rebounds and 4 steals per game.

2013 (10 years ago)

• Todd Prichard, a Charles City Democrat, took the oath of office for the District 52 in the Iowa House of Representatives, after winning a special election.

Prichard, the 38-year-old attorney learned last week that he will serve on the House Agriculture, State Government and Ways and Means committee, as well as the Justice Systems Appropriations Subcommittee.

• Three Chickasaw wrestlers claimed a Class 2A sectional title. Seniors Austin Lukes at 182, Leighton Gaul at 120 and Sawyer Anderson at 160 were crowned sectional champions.

Three more Chickasaws — Connor Cleveland at 106, Kyle Blaylock at 152 and Drew Dirkson at 220 — finished second and also advanced to the Class 2A district tournament at Manchester.

2018 (5 years ago)

• Two New Hampton High School seniors, Hanna Schwickerath and Jeffrey Reicks, received results from the Iowa High School Speech Association, where they performed at the All-State level.

The pair earned "Outstanding" status in the Ensemble Acting category for their performance if the piece "Perfect," written by Rachel Christopher, at the IHSSA State Group Speech Contest in Decorah.

One of the more of amazing things about the All-State designation for the duo was the fact that they had only rehearsed for about two weeks before district competition after a slot had opened up late in the Ensemble Acting category.

• The Chickasaw boys basketball team survived an overtime thriller to post a 61-60 victory, and handed Oelwein their 74th straight loss in the Northeast Iowa Conference.

Chad Sweitzer, New Hampton head coach, said Oelwein is not a typical 0-11 team and they played a lot of people tough this year.

Keagan John, a senior, sank three free throws at the end of regulation to send the game into overtime while Tyler Rentschler, another Chickasaw senior, made two free throws with 16 seconds left in overtime to seal the deal. The Huskies haven't won a Northeast Conference game since Jan. 31, 2012.

Winter looks like it is set to return

WEATHER: FROM 1

The recent warm weather cut our snowpack in half — from 12 inches last week to six inches Tuesday — and if there’s any good news in the forecast, it is the fact that we’re not going into a deep freeze after the latest round of winter weather.

Yes, it will feel cold Friday night, when lows are expected to dip to near zero, but by Sunday, high temperatures are expected to be back in the 30s.

Still, the storm, if the forecast becomes a reality, will provide for some challenging roads to navigate today as forecasters says winds will gust to more than 30 miles per hour, causing blowing and drifting along on rural roads.

— For updates on the storm, see nhtribune.news



Bob Fenske/Tribune

If forecasters are correct, we may be facing some challenging road conditions like we saw on Highway 346 during a storm last month.

City to pay county 5 percent more for dispatching services

CITY COUNCIL: FROM 1

Schwickerath said Monday that it’s his understanding that the proposed bill moving through the Legislature could force New Hampton to cut “somewhere in the neighborhood of \$25,000,” which he said “in a tight budget, will be tough but doable.”

In the only other business Monday night, City Council members dealt with two agenda items regarding the city’s police department.

Council members voted to approve a contract with the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s

Office for dispatching services. Late last month, the county’s Board of Supervisors approved raising the rate for dispatching services from \$15 a resident to \$15.75 a resident, a 5 percent increase.

That means the city’s total bill for dispatching services will increase from \$52,410 this year to \$55,030.50 next year.

Council members also agreed to advertise for its chief police opening that has yet to become a reality, but Chief Zach Nosbisch has tentatively accepted an offer from Chickasaw County Sheriff Ryan Shawver to become his chief deputy.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Nash gives out a ‘five!’

Nashua-Plainfield Junior and High School therapy dog, Nash, gives student Jennifer McClelland “five” during the school day on Thursday. School counselor Jennifer Kalainoff’s dog has “grown up” since the Reporter first did a story on him early in the 2021-22 school year. He now weighs 65 pounds and still comes to school once or twice a week. “It’s funny because when Nash is here, I’m a lot more popular,” Kalainoff said with a laugh, “and when he’s not here, I’m lucky to get a grunt out of some of the students.”

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Briefs

Hawkeye graduates

The following are Hawkeye Community College fall semester graduates and their programs of study.

- Ionia: Kristen Pitz, diploma, Practical Nursing.
- New Hampton: Brylie Boji, AA, Liberal Arts; Jacob Reicks, certificate, Precision Agriculture, diploma, General Agriculture, AAS, Ag Business Management; Adrian Rings, AA, Liberal Arts; Alexis Rings, AAS, Marketing Management; Chloe Temple, AA, Liberal Arts.

U of I graduates

The University of Iowa awarded nearly 2,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students degrees at the close of the 2022 fall semester. Local graduates and their degrees are:

- New Hampton: Emma Glaser, Bachelor of Arts; Major: Psychology; College of Liberal Arts and Sciences - Bryce Sanford, Certificate; Major: Business Fundamentals; Graduate Management Programs.
- Nashua: Mitchell Malven, Bachelor of Arts; Major: Psychology; College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.
- Waucoma: Reese Manderfield, Degree: Certificate; Major: Public Health-Undergraduate; College of Public Health.

NICC graduates

A list of Northeast Iowa Community College fall 2022 semester graduates were recently released. Grads from the area include:

- Alta Vista: Rylie Dunn.
- Elma: Hannah Lane.
- Fredericksburg: Emily Fitch.
- New Hampton: Allison Denner.
- Protivin: Lexie Leuenberger.

Iowa Lakes dean’s list

There were 227 students named to the Iowa Lakes Community College dean’s list of students who earned a 3.25 GPA or higher for the semester.

Included on the list was Ashlynn Cother of Ionia.

Simpson president’s list

Tanner Striegel of Waterloo and formerly of Nashua has been named to the fall 2022 president’s list at Simpson College.

Striegel qualified for the academic honor by earning a 4.00 grade point average during the semester.

UNI graduate list

Area students that graduated from the University of Northern Iowa at the fall semester include:

- Alta Vista: Sydney Laures, Bachelor of Arts, Communication, Psychology
- New Hampton: Madeline Moorman, Bachelor of Arts, Management: Human Resource

Management.

Fredericksburg: Sydney Rhea, Bachelor of Arts, Accounting; Ramiah Whiteside, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology.

Lawler: Kelsey Kurtenbach, Bachelor of Arts, Communication Disorders; Journey Schwickerath, Bachelor of Arts, Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education.

Nashua: Reece Reams, Bachelor of Arts, Comprehensive Secondary Science Teaching; Cassidy Weidler, Bachelor of Liberal Studies.

UNI dean’s list

The deans list for the University of Northern Iowa fall semester has been released. To be eligible for the dean’s list, a student must have earned a grade point average of no less than 3.50 while earning a minimum of 12 semester hours in which at least one semester hour is graded credit. Area students on the list include:

- Alta Vista: Lisabeth Fiser, Sydney Laures, Brianna White.
- Elma: Kevin Jordan.
- Fort Atkinson: Kimberly Fischer, Ali Hofert, Rachelle Smith.
- Fredericksburg: Tiffany Beyer, Madison Pleggenkuhle, Spencer Schmitz, Rachael Stimson, Kylie Timp.
- Ionia: Blake Bockhaus.
- Lawler: Aleah Hackman, Kara Reicks, Journey Schwickerath, Josie Weber.
- Nashua: Liberty Fisher, Jayne Levi, Thomas Lindloff, Reece Reams, Michael Stille.
- New Hampton: Brynn Drewelow, Noah Glaser, Erik Heeren, Abigail Holschlag, Kayla Holschlag, Sara Howe, Madison Kolbet, Allison Nuss, Morgan Nuss, Ethan Orthus, Caitlyn Rochford, Kiersten Tenge, Madison Usher.
- Waucoma: Logan Manderfield, Karissa Schmidt, Abraham Schmitt, James Schmitt, Lance Schmitt.

Allen College graduate

Jordan Klingman of Nashua received a bachelor of science degree in nursing with Summa Cum Laude honors from Allen College. The College awarded 92 degrees during its commencement ceremony on Friday, Dec. 16.

Allen College graduate

Sadie Tenge of New Hampton received a bachelor of science degree in nursing with Cum Laude honors from Allen College. The College awarded 92 degrees during its commencement ceremony on Friday, Dec. 16.

St. Ambrose dean’s list

Josh Fenske of New Hampton has been named to the St. Ambrose University fall semester dean’s list.

Students must have at least a 3.5 grade-point average to qualify for the list.

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Rev. Jerry Kopacek
Mass time: Saturday, Feb. 25, 4 p.m.

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As the light grows and spreads, we join together with others in sharing the light of Jesus with the world.

The light of a candle can illuminate a darkened room, creating a soft and comforting glow. A smile from another person can lift your spirits and brighten your day.

Your heart can feel the warmth of their inner light as it is shared with you and, then it's your turn. Go and share the light.

"Let your light shine before others, so that



Sue Cira is a student pastor who serves Immanuel Crane Creek Lutheran Church in rural Lawler and Zion Lutheran Church in Alta Vista.

they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."
~ Matthew 5:16



Photo courtesy of Emily Baltes/St. Joseph Community School

A trip to Dubuque to celebrate Catholic Schools Week!

St. Joseph Community School students in grades 3-8 and their teachers pose for a photo with Archbishop Michael Jackles and a familiar face during a trip to Dubuque's St. Raphael Cathedral. It was the first church of any christian belief in Iowa. Archbishop Jackles shared his knowledge with the students about the Cathedral, Father Brian Dellaert, the former priest at Holy Family Parish, also surprised the crew from New Hampton and teachers and student had a prayer service. As school officials put it, the day was a great way to spend a day together during Catholic Schools Week.

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James 1:22

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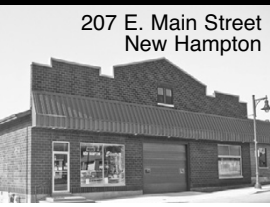


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Trojans finish runner-up in UIC race

TV wins 10 out of last 11 games in regular season to enter postseason on a roll

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
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With a final regular season push that would make any coach proud – the Turkey Valley Trojans came up just short in its quest for a conference title in 2022-2023.

TV and first-year head coach Steve Hoffert almost raised a championship banner as the Trojans finished just a game back of ninth-ranked Central Elkader (19-2) in the league standings.

Last week Tuesday started out with a bang as TV (16-5) knocked off previously league unbeaten Central by a score of 41-40 and then locked down Clayton Ridge, 42-28 on Thursday night. The Trojans finished off the regular season portion of their schedule with another win on Friday – this final tuneup before postseason begins was a 49-42 road victory over Postville.

The Trojans kick off Class 1A Region 6 postseason play at home against West Central (6-15) tonight (Thursday).

TV all-conference senior standout Jacquelyn Schmitt combined for 27 points and 22 rebounds in the last two league tilts. She came up with 16 points and 14 rebounds against Postville (2-19, 1-15).

Aubrey Hoffert, a senior guard, notched 12 points against CR and tied with Schmitt for the game's top scorer with 16 points at Postville.

TV shot 24-32 (75 percent) from the free-throw line in the regular season finale at Postville.

TURKEY VALLEY 42, CLAYTON RIDGE 28

CR 4 9 4 11 - 28
TV 9 11 13 11 - 42

Alison Leibold 1-6 1-2 3, Brianna Busta 0-2 1-2 1, Aubrey Hoffert 2-10 6-10 12, Mariah Thronson 1-2 2-2 4, Jacquelyn Schmitt 4-11 2-3 11, Addison Steinlage 1-4 1-4 3, Annika Bodensteiner 2-7 2-2 6, Layni



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Turkey Valley freshman Annika Bodensteiner makes a pass in the Trojans' upset win over Central Elkader. TV hosts West Central tonight (Thursday) in the first round of regional play.

Schuchhardt 0-1 1-3 1, Delaney Busta 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 11-43 17-30 42.

3-point field goals - Leibold 0-, D. Busta 0-1, Hoffert 2-8, Thronson 0-1, Schmitt 1-2, Steinlage 0-1, Bodensteiner 0-2.

Rebounds - Schmitt 8, Steinlage 4, D. Busta 3, Hoffert 3, Bodensteiner 2, Schuchhardt 2, Leibold 2, B. Busta 1, Thronson 1.

Assists - Leibold 2, Hoffert 1, Thronson 1, Schmitt 1, Steinlage 1. Steals - Thronson 3, Hoffert 2,

Leibold 1, Schmitt 1, Steinlage 1, D. Busta 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 49, POSTVILLE 42

TV 14 5 14 16 - 49
POST 10 8 10 14 - 42

Leibold 1-4 5-6 7, Steinlage 0-3 3-4 3, Hoffert 5-13 6-8 16, Thronson 1-6 0-0 3, Schmitt 5-9 6-6 16,

Bodensteiner 0-2 1-2 1, Ashlyn Busta 0-1 0-0 0, Schuchhardt 0-2 1-2 1, D. Busta 0-3 2-4 2. Totals 12-43 24-32 49.

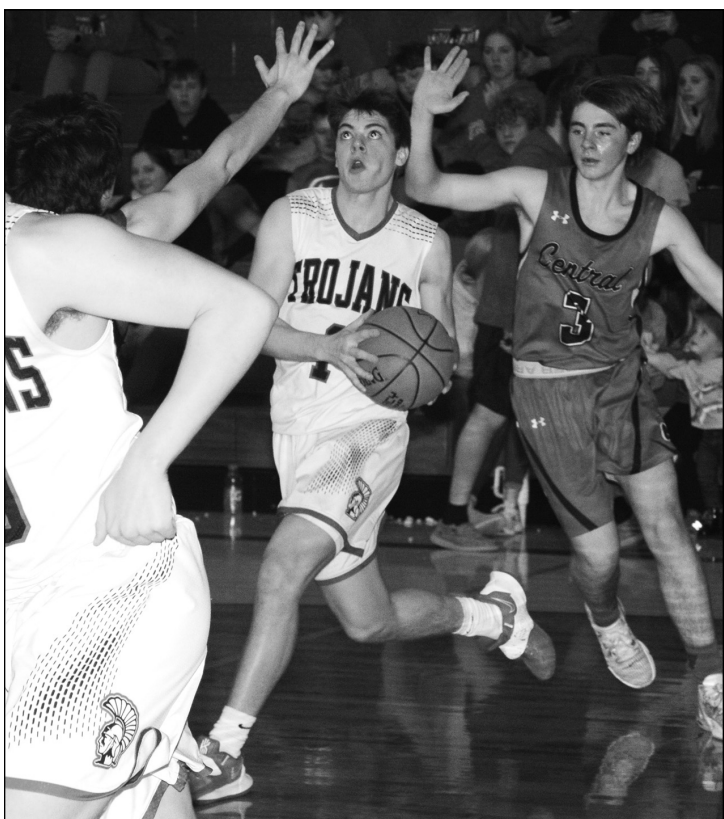
3-point field goals - Steinlage 0-1, Hoffert 0-4, Thronson 1-2, Bodensteiner 0-2.

Rebounds - Schmitt 14, Steinlage 6, D. Busta 4, Schuchhardt 3, Bodensteiner 3, Thronson 3, Hoffert 2, Leibold 1.

Assists - Leibold 1, Steinlage 1, Hoffert 1, Thronson 1, Bodensteiner 1.

Steals - Hoffert 4, Steinlage 3, Leibold 1.

Blocks - Schmitt 2, Bodensteiner 1, Thronson 1, Leibold 1.



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Caleb Kurtenbach attempts a shot at the rim versus Central Elkader.

Hanson's late layup lifts TV over Pirates

TV comes up big in rematch with CR

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
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The Pirates of Postville almost came up with the win of the season in their Senior Night contest versus the Turkey Valley Trojans last week Friday.

Leave it to Noah Hanson to take care of business with the game on the line.

Hanson came up with a loose-ball scramble and proceeded to convert a layup after regaining possession and that proved to be the difference maker in the Upper Iowa Conference matchup that saw the two-win Pirates almost pull the upset over John Izer's Trojans.

TV held on for a 57-55 win

after Postville (2-19, 2-14) stormed back from a 40-28 halftime deficit.

Hanson, Izer's senior point guard, had a productive week. He led all scorers in the Postville game with 18 points and seven rebounds. Hanson notched seven points and 10 rebounds in a huge win for TV over Clayton Ridge (46-41) last week Thursday. The Eagles locked down the Trojans in the first meeting over in Guttenberg in mid-January by a score of 42-29.

TV lost in a matchup at Wapsie Valley this past Monday, 77-57. The 16-4 Warriors have

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Two Chickasaws pick up valuable state experience

STATE WRESTLING: FROM 18

“It’s one of the most dominant performances for a person to get third that I’ve almost ever seen. She really wrestled well,” said NH/TV head coach Caleb Ciavarelli.

Russler finished off her junior campaign in 2022 at the IWCOA (Iowa Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association) state meet. That was a season that saw Russler go 18-6. She did not place at that state meet and lost to Osage’s Aubrey Chapman in her second match of the day – a fall that took place in 3:40 after Russler was leading 10-2. Russler got caught in a move that is called a cow-catcher and couldn’t recover.

That memory of the loss was seared into Russler’s mind.

“I have the quote of her saying ‘she deserved it more than me and how she spent more time on the mat than me,’” said Russler. “That was hanging up on my mirror and I read it every day.”

With nothing but time and the chance at redemption, Russler – seeded second in her weight bracket – turned in one of the state’s best performances for a third-place state finisher in her final run at state championship. She ran roughshod over her state opponents – pinning five out of the six girls she faced.

Russler’s final record this year was 46-5 – 40 of those victories coming by pin.

But it was her semifinal match against No. 3 seed Haidyn Snyder of Waverly-Shell Rock on Friday that not only tested her will, but her spirit.

Somewhat Snyder held on and survived Russler’s quest for the finals – winning the match, 4-3, after the Chickasaw star was furiously fighting for back points inside of 30 seconds left in the final period.

“Her back was at a 90-degree angle from getting pinned and then the time ran out,” said Russler. “I literally had her. It was insane.”

Russler trailed Snyder 4-1 headed into the final period, but then the Chickasaw hit paydirt with a shot that scored two points to cut the deficit to one.

“You could tell she studied me a lot. They knew like everything about me. They knew how to defend everything,” said Russler. “They just really started to catch on to what I was doing.”

With the clock ticking down, Russler locked in an arm bar and wrenched it as hard as she could.

“We were almost in a position to cut her to get another one, but Ali ended up getting to her bar arm and she’s really good at. There’s only about 30 seconds left. It was kind of one of those touch-and-go situations. Do you cut and not have very much time to take her down or do you run this bar arm and put her on her back for a two count and win?” said Ciavarelli. “We just ran out of time.”

This was the fifth and final installment of the two girl’s rivalry. Russler came into the state meet having beaten Snyder three times and lost only once to the Go-Hawk senior. Snyder (42-6) snapped Russler’s 29-match win streak at the Decorah Tournament a few weeks back by that same 4-3 margin.

Trojans take on Buccaneers in first round of postseason play

TV BOYS: FROM 13

received votes in the latest AP Prep Poll in Class 1A and exploded for 50 second-half points after trailing TV, 31-27, at the break.

The state also released the postseason pairings in the small-school class and Class 2A on Monday. The Trojans have an interesting matchup at home in Class 1A, District 3 play as they host East Buchanan (10-10) – a school that competes in the Tri-Rivers West Conference. The winner of that contest takes on either Clarksville (8-12) or Maquoketa Valley (13-7) on Thursday, Feb. 16 in Maquoketa.

Oliver Schmitt, a junior, paced the Trojans in the win over CR (14-7, 10-5) with 19 points.

Calvin Bodensteiner chipped in with 10 points and seven rebounds against Postville. Schmitt added 12 points.

Hanson turned in a double-double versus Wapsie Valley with 10 points and 11 rebounds. Bodensteiner scored seven points and grabbed 10 rebounds against the Warriors.

TV (12-8, 10-5) played its final regular season game at Kee High on Tuesday. The Trojans currently sit in a three-way tie with CR and North Fayette Valley (13-7, 10-5) for third place in the conference. South Winneshiek (12-8, 11-4) is in second place and MFL-Mar-Mac (20-1) has wrapped up the conference championship with a perfect 15-0 league mark.

TURKEY VALLEY 46, CLAYTON RIDGE 41

CR 8 8 15 10 - 41
TV 13 10 8 15 - 46
Carson Busta 2-3 0-0 4, Noah Hanson 2-6 3-6 7, Calvin Bodensteiner 2-7 0-0 4, Oliver Schmitt 7-8 5-10 19, Chase Hayek 0-2 0-0 0, Caleb Kurtenbach 1-8 2-2 5, Russell Nieman 3-4 0-0 7. Totals 17-38 10-18 46.

3-point field goals - Busta 0-1, Hanson 0-2, Bodensteiner 0-5, Schmitt 0-1, Kurtenbach 1-6, Nieman 1-2.

Rebounds - Hanson 10, Hayek 6, Nieman 4, Bodensteiner 4, Schmitt 4, Busta 3, Kurtenbach 1.

Assists - Hanson 5, Busta 1, Bodensteiner 1, Schmitt 1, Kurtenbach 1, Nieman 1.

Steals - Hanson 2, Kurtenbach 2, Nieman 1, Bodensteiner 1, Schmitt 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 57, POSTVILLE 55

TV 19 21 6 11 - 57
POST 16 12 17 10 - 55
Busta 3-7 0-0 6, Hanson 7-10 3-5 18, Bodensteiner 5-14 0-0 10, Schmitt 4-9 4-5 12, Hayek 1-4 0-0 2, Kurtenbach 2-9 2-2 7, Nieman 1-1 0-0 2, Braylen Byrne 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 23-57 9-12 57.



John Burbridge/Charles City Press

Ali Russler gives it all she’s got to try to turn Waverly-Shell Rock’s Haidyn Snyder in a 145-pound semifinal match at the girls state wrestling tourney.

Russer topped Snyder, 3-1, in an NEIC dual at home versus the Go-Hawks. Russler pinned Snyder at the Dan Gable Donnybrook and nipped Snyder, 3-1, at the South Winn Invite.

Snyder settled for state runner-up as she lost to Emma Peach of Iowa Valley in the state title match at that weight class by pin in the second period. Peach, top ranked, ended her sophomore season undefeated at 39-0. Peach is now a two-time state champ.

The second loss to Snyder on the state’s biggest stage hit Russler hard.

“I was very devastated. I was full of emotions. I just knew I had to get over it and get the next best thing,” said Russler. “I knew I wasn’t going to lose to anyone because I knew I really wanted it. I just knew I could not lose.”

Russler didn’t as she pinned Lauren Luzum of Decorah in just 1:16 of the first period in her consolation semifinal match. Then she thoroughly controlled Alex Harswick of Gilbert in the third-place match – wasting little by coming up with a win by fall in just 1:06.

The two wins after the gut punch from the Snyder match provided some solace and perspective that she is indeed an elite wrestler in a state that is serious about its wrestling. Russler said wasn’t going to get to that point by sulking and dwelling on the loss.

“It was a switch. I just needed to stop feeling sorry for myself. It’s over and done with. I can’t go back,” said Russler. “It definitely wasn’t what I wanted. I guess it’s okay. I’m on to bigger and better things after this. This is only a stepping stone.”

Russler – who is her own toughest critic – talked about the conclusion of her prep wrestling career. She’s verbally committed to wrestle at Wartburg College next year.

“I’ve been doing wrestling for two years. I have to give myself a little bit more credit than I am right now,” said Russler.

NH/TV brought two other wrestlers down to Coralville in freshman Keira Myers (140) and sophomore Aleah Eichenberger.

Although the two Chickasaws did not win a match on Thursday and were eliminated from the tournament, the experience was one where it should only make them better in effort to get back down to Johnson County to tangle with the best the state has to offer.

“It was the state tournament, right? It was going against the best girls in the state. They probably didn’t have the performance that they wanted, but at the end of the day being there was a huge goal for both of them and a huge opportunity for both of them,” said Ciavarelli. “It’s setting them up for their future. They both were in good spirits and they understood it was a tough tournament for ‘em, but they have more to go.”

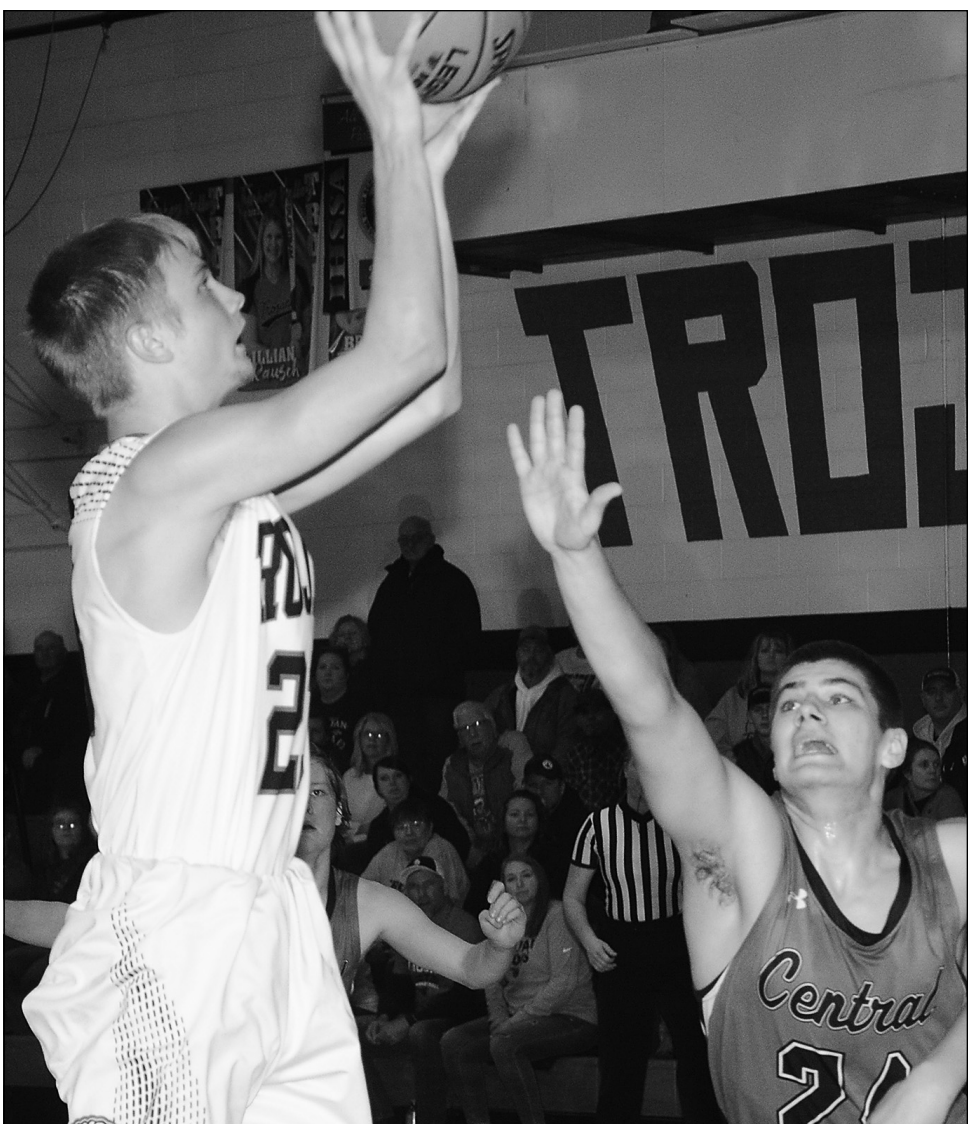
If you’re wanting to know how Russler’s rematch with Chapman went this year – Russler stuck the Green Devil in the first period at the Osage Tournament in January.

That fact is testament alone as to what kind of season Russler put in the history books for NH/TV in 2022-2023.

Russler has a message for prospective Chickasaw wrestlers that have their eyes on the top prize just like she did this year.

“I want them to think anything is possible – a loss doesn’t matter. Go out there and try your hardest – your hard work will pay off in this sport,” said Russler.

NEW HAMPTON STATE RESULTS
140 - Keira Myers did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Kyleigh James (Mason City) pinned Myers, 1:28. Cons. Round 1 - Alyssa Schnoor (Sheldon/South O’Brien) pinned Myers, 3:29.
145 - Ali Russler placed third. Champ. Round 1 - Russler pinned Evelyn Eggleston (Iowa City Liberty), 2:08. Champ. Round 2 - Russler pinned Greta Brus (Davenport), 1:53. Quarterfinal - Russler pinned Phoenix Gryp (Williamsburg), 1:03. Semifinal - Haidyn Snyder (Waverly-Shell Rock) dec. Russler, 4-3. Cons. Semi - Russler pinned Lauren Luzum (Decorah), 1:16. 3rd Place Match - Russler pinned Alex Harswick (Gilbert), 1:06.
170 - Aleah Eichenberger did place. Champ. Round 1 - Jessie Hutchinson (Newton) pinned Eichenberger, 4:41. Cons. Round 1 - Jessa DeMoss (Benton Community) pinned Eichenberger, 4:56.



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

The Trojans’ Chase Hayek aims for the hoop last week Tuesday in an UIC hoops game as a Warrior defender tries to defend the play.

3-point field goals - Busta 0-2, Hanson 1-2, Bodensteiner 0-3, Schmitt 0-2, Kurtenbach 1-3, Byrne 0-1.

Rebounds - Hanson 7, Bodensteiner 7, Hayek 4, Kurtenbach 4, Busta 3, Byrne 3, Schmitt 2, Nieman 2.

Assists - Hanson 3, Kurtenbach 3, Bodensteiner 2, Schmitt 2, Byrne 1, Hayek 1, Busta 1.

Steals - Busta 2, Hanson 2, Bodensteiner 2, Nieman 1.

Blocks - Byrne 1.

WAPSIE VALLEY 77, TURKEY VALLEY 57

TV 17 14 11 15 - 57
WV 15 12 25 25 - 77
Caleb Kurtenbach 3-10 2-2 10, Carson Busta

2-4 0-0 5, Braylen Byrne 2-6 0-0 4, Russell Nieman 3-8 0-0 8, Noah Hanson 3-9 4-6 10, Calvin Bodensteiner 2-9 2-2 7, Oliver Schmitt 1-7 5-5 7, Chase Hayek 0-2 0-0 0, Logan Busta 2-3 0-0 6, J.D. Kruse 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-58 13-15 57.

3-point field goals - Kurtenbach 2-6, C. Busta 1-3, Byrne 0-2, Nieman 2-5, Hanson 0-2, Bodensteiner 1-3, L. Busta 2-3.

Rebounds - Hanson 11, Bodensteiner 10, Hayek 6, Nieman 3, Schmitt 2, Kurtenbach 1, C. Busta 1, Byrne 1, Kruse 1.

Assists - Hanson 5, Nieman 2, Bodensteiner 1, Schmitt 1, L. Busta 1, Kruse 1.

Steals - Hanson 3, Schmitt 2, Hayek 1, Blocks - C. Busta 1.

After slow start, girls roll past Charles City

NH GIRLS: FROM 18

stellar night from senior Carlee Rochford, who went 9-for-14 from the field as she scored 24 points. More importantly, the senior overcame foul trouble – she picked up her third foul late in the first half – and remained on the floor throughout the game.

And on Senior Night, a couple of the Chickasaws’ younger players came through with strong performances. Sophomore Taylor Ries scored 12 points, grabbed eight rebounds and made three steals while junior Molly Wegner went 3-for-7 from beyond the 3-point line to score nine.

About the only downer on the night came late in the game when senior Kandice Eggerichs, who finished with seven rebounds and three assists, turned an ankle and had to be helped off the court.

“That was a tough break,” Leichtman said, “because Kandice does a lot of the little things, a lot of the dirty work, you might say, for us. We’re hoping we can get her back for [Saturday’s regional game at] Monticello.”

A night after beating 12-7 Central Springs, New Hampton took on 1-16 Charles City, but say this for the Comets who are coached by former Charles City star David Rottinghaus, they weren’t ready to just roll over for the Chickasaws.

Instead, Charles City took an early 15-10 lead before New Hampton senior Kristen Reicherts nailed a 3-pointer, Rochford added a free throw and a 3-pointer and Ries hit a long-range shot.

And just like that, the rout was on.

Up 21-18, New Hampton went on to outscore the Comets 45-11 in the second and third quarters.

“Charles City didn’t have anything to lose and they played like it,” Leichtman said, “and what made me proud was the way we took that punch and responded. The girls dug in and fought. We got tougher on defense – again, Elaina did a great job inside – and played Chickasaw basketball.”

Rochford again led the Chickasaws as she finished with 27 points, seven rebounds, five assists and three blocked shots,

Chickasaw girls suffer through ‘one of those’ nights in loss to Hudson

BY BOB FENSKE
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The first four minutes were great for the New Hampton girls basketball team Monday night?

The last 28 minutes? Not so much.

Hudson spotted the Chickasaws an early 8-3 lead, but closed the first quarter with an 11-2 run and never looked back as the Pirates claimed a 62-47 non-conference victory.

“It was just one of those nights,” New Hampton coach Dave Leichtman said. “I was just looking and we were 5-for-24 from beyond the arc. That’s not going to win you a lot of games, is it?”

New Hampton fell to 9-11 heading into its final regular season game, a Tuesday date at Crestwood.

And truth be told, the Chickasaw coach was already looking forward to Wednesday.

“It seems like forever since we had a practice,” Leichtman said. “We played Thursday, Friday, had the weekend and now are playing Monday and

but again, she was far from the only star.

Wegner finished with 14 points while Ries played a complete game for the second consecutive night as she finished with 10 points, eight rebounds, six assists and three steals.

“When we have Molly and Taylor scoring like that,” Leichtman said, “it takes our game to another level. Molly’s getting more confident with her shot, and Taylor, you can see her confidence growing every game. She’s one of those girls who can do so different things on the floor. And you know, Carlee is just Carlee. I said it earlier in the season, but when you have her and put two other girls in double figures, you’re going to have a good shot at winning basketball games.”

NEW HAMPTON 52, CENTRAL SPRINGS 42

CS 5 9 15 13 - 42
NH 14 9 14 15 - 52
Kirsten Reicherts 0-3 2-4 2, Carlee Rochford 9-14 3-4 24, Kandice Eggerichs 1-7 0-1 2, Elaina Rosonke 1-1 1-2 3, Gracie Reicks 0-0 0-0 0, Molly Wegner 3-8 0-1 9, Taylor Ries 4-8 2-3 12, Cora Schwickerath 0-2 0-0 0, Braelyn Rosonke 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-43 8-15 52.

3-point field goals - Wegner 3-7, Rochford 3-7, Ries 2-2, Reicherts 0-1, Eggerichs 0-2, Schwickerath 0-2.

Rebounds - Ries 8, Eggerichs 7, E. Rosonke 6, Rochford 4, B. Rosonke 3, Schwickerath 1, Wegner 1, Reicherts 1.

Assists - Rochford 3, Eggerichs 3, Ries 2, Reicherts 1, B. Rosonke 1.

Steals - Ries 3, Rochford 2, Wegner 2, Reicherts 1, Eggerichs 1, E. Rosonke 1, Schwickerath 1.

Blocks - B. Rosonke 2, Reicherts 1, Rochford 1, E. Rosonke 1.

NEW HAMPTON 74, CHARLES CITY 33

CC 18 6 5 4 - 33
NH 21 22 23 8 - 74
Reicherts 1-5 2-2 5, Rochford 9-18 6-7 27, E. Rosonke 0-3 0-0 0, Wegner 5-9 3-3 14, Ries 4-10 2-5 10, Jordan Throndson 0-2 0-0 0, Megan Pickar 0-1 0-0 0, Reicks 2-6 0-0 5, Schwickerath 2-4 3-5 7, Jackie Pickar 0-0 2-2 2, B. Rosonke 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 25-60 18-24 74.

3-point field goals - Rochford 3-5, Reicks 1-1, Reicherts 1-2, Wegner 1-4, Ries 0-1, Throndson 0-1.

Rebounds - Ries 8, Rochford 7, Schwickerath 4, E. Rosonke 4, Reicks 2, B. Rosonke 2, Throndson 1, Wegner 1, Reicherts 1.

Assists - Ries 6, Rochford 5, Wegner 1, Reicks 1, Schwickerath 1, J. Pickar 1.

Steals - Ries 3, M. Pickar 2, Reicks 2, Schwickerath 1, J. Pickar 1, Wegner 1.

Blocks - Rochford 3, B. Rosonke 1.

Tuesday. We need a break.”

Against Hudson, Carlee Rochford led the way with 18 points and 16 rebounds.

But after Tuesday’s game, New Hampton can concentrate on its regional opener at 16-5 Monticello on Saturday.

“They’re a good team, but neither of us know much about the other so we’re just going to go out there, find a way to play our game and see what happens.”

HUDSON 60, NEW HAMPTON 47

Hud 14 11 16 21 - 60
NH 10 9 14 14 - 47
Kirsten Reicherts 1-5 2-2 5, Carlee Rochford 4-19 9-10 18, Elaina Rosonke 0-1 0-0 0, Molly Wegner 2-15 3-4 9, Taylor Ries 3-7 2-2 9, Gracie Reicks 0-1 0-0 0, Cora Schwickerath 1-3 0-0 2, Braelyn Rosonke 2-4 0-1 4. Totals 13-55 16-19 47.

3-point field goals - Wegner 2-9, Reicherts 1-1, Ries 1-2, Rochford 1-10, Reicks 0-1, Schwickerath 0-1.

Rebounds - Rochford 16, Reicherts 4, B. Rosonke 4, Wegner 3, E. Rosonke 2, Ries 2.

Assists - Rochford 3, E. Rosonke 1, Wegner 1, Ries 1, Schwickerath 1.

Steals - Rochford 2, E. Rosonke 2, Ries 2.

Blocks - Rochford 3, B. Rosonke 2.

Changes are in store at this year’s Class 2A district meet

DISTRICTS: FROM 18

“There’s a lot of, in my mind, even brackets at our district,” he said. “I think it’s really wide open for a lot of our guys.”

McShane, who has wrestled at 195 for most of the year, will in all probability try to earn another trip to Des Moines at 220, where he claimed an NEIC title.

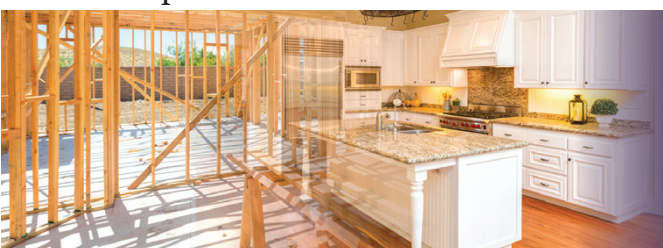
Tenge, meanwhile, is set for 170 while Howe could wrestle at either 182 or 195. The Chickasaws will fill 13 of the 14 weights in Decorah and will only lack a heavyweight.

As of Monday, Paulus said the lineup will include Landon Bruess at 106, Braiden Schaufenbuel at 113, Ty Moudry at 120, Hunter Humpal at 126,

Jayden Bucknell at 132, Peyton Anderson at 138, Burke Busta at 145, Leander Reicks at 152, Karson Kolbet at 160 and Tenge at 170. Ethan Swehla, Howe and McShane will fill the weights between 182 and 220.

Maybe the biggest change in the postseason under the new setup is the fact that a wrestler can lose in the first round and still have a chance to go to the state meet. In the past, first-round losers could only wrestle for fifth place; now, they can come all the way back and wrestle for true second.

“That’s one thing I really like about the new set up,” Paulus said. “Now, hopefully we get a lot of first-round wins, I’m not saying that, but it keeps everyone involved and that’s a good thing.”



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HRS: FROM 2

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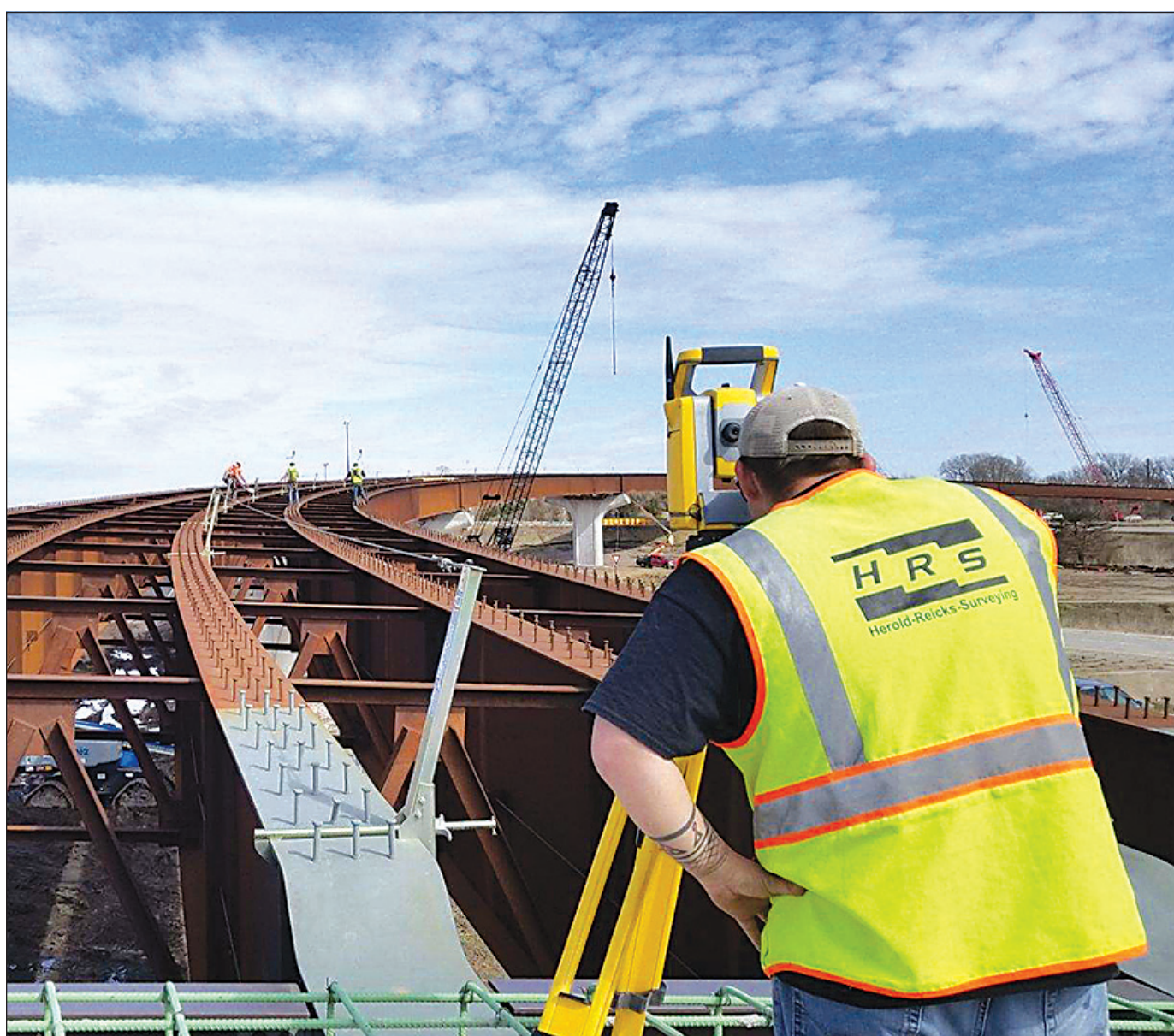


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An employee from HRS Surveying works on surveying a bridge project this past summer.

for a week, as the chief land surveyor in charge of surveying the perimeter boundary," Reicks said. "I was an expert witness and it ended up that all those farmers got that ground."

ISAIAH REICKS BREAKS down surveying into "needs to be done" and "wants to be done."

He, like his brother, took the same path after graduation from high school — going to Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo, then worked for

another company before joining as a part owner.

"You *need* to have surveying done when you have to create a new legal description, like when you buy a piece of farm ground and build a house on it. If there's already a deed, you might still *want* to get a survey done to know 'where can I put up a building, where can I plant a tree or put a garden.' When you're buying land or a home, it gives you piece of mind knowing where the borders are that the piece of paper says

you own. We physically mark the line of what the deed reads."

Kirk Reicks summed up his advice for anyone thinking of building. Before you start that house, make sure you really own the ground.

"I would make a recommendation they get the land surveyed if they have any doubt," he said. "To reach out to any zoning authorities before construction to be sure they're in compliance. The only people that can actually confirm land lines are surveyors."

Housing still top priority for city

HOUSING: FROM 3

She said one way New Hampton has tried to create affordable housing has been to work on its existing homes — pointing to programs that have helped residents with new roofs, siding and windows.

And the city also has worked to offer tax-increment financing (TIF) to developers, and if developers don't use the TIF, it has a tax-abatement program in place for owners of new homes in which their taxes are abated 100 percent the first year they live in the home, 80 percent the second year, 60 percent the third year, 40 percent the fourth year and 20 percent the fifth year.

She said the issue for many communities like New Hampton is the fact that they are concentrating on fixing their existing infrastructure and simply don't have the money to build new.

"They're repairing, maintaining and placing what's already in place," Robinson said. "As much as I'd like to snap my fingers and new houses would appear, the money has to come from somewhere."

The economic development director points to the daycare grant Little Sprouts received last year that allowed what was then known as Great Plays to renovate the educational wing at the Methodist church in New Hampton to create more daycare openings in the community.

"The fact that housing is on the radar," she said, "that's a big step. We're still going to do everything we can to get new housing stock in our community, but unless we get some help, it's a huge challenge."

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New Hampton boys basketball at Crestwood, JV at 6 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls basketball Class 1A regional opener vs. West Central, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton bowling vs. Waukon, (senior parent night) 4 p.m.

New Hampton boys basketball at Oelwein, JV at 6, varsity at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

NH/TV at Class 2A district wrestling tournament, Dec- orah, 10 a.m.

New Hampton girls basketball Class 3A regional opener at Monticello, 7 p.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton girls bowling regional tournament, Legacy Lanes, Monticello, 10 a.m.

New Hampton boys basketball vs. Postville, Class 2A district first round, 7 p.m.

Turkey Valley boys basketball vs. East Buchanan, Class 1A district first round, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

New Hampton boys bowling regional tournament, Legacy Lanes, Monticello, 10 a.m.

Turkey Valley girls basketball, second round of Class 1A regionals, if qualified, at home, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

NH/TV wrestling at Class 2A stat meet, Des Moines, 1:30 p.m.

New Hampton girls basketball Class 3A semifinals, if qualified, at Wahlert Catholic 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEB. 16

NH/TV wrestling at Class 2A state meet, Des Moines, 1:30 p.m.

New Hampton boys basketball at MFL-Mar-Mac, if qualified, Class 2A district semifinal, 7 p.m.

Turkey Valley boys basketball vs. Clarksville or Maquoketa Valley, if qualified, Class 1A district semifinal, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEB. 17

NH/TV wrestling at Class 2A state meet, Des Moines, 1:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls basketball, Class 1A regional semifinals, if qualified, at Central Elkader, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 18

NH/TV wrestling at Class 2A state meet, Des Moines, 9 a.m.

New Hampton girls basketball Class 3A regional final, if qualified, TBD 7 p.m.



Chickasaws earn first win of season

New Hampton bowlers to honor seniors Friday at home versus Waukon

By KELLY TERPSTRA

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The first season ever for the New Hampton bowling program is winding down.

So what better time for Andy Aries' Chickasaws girls team to come up with victory No. 1 on the season.

Sporting a roster of four girls in 2022-2023 – two bowlers away from the maximum allowable limit for a starting varsity roster – the Chickasaws rose to the occasion with a seven-pin victory at home last week Thursday versus Oelwein.

The Huskies (0-9) sport just three bowlers, but proved they were just as hungry for their first season of the winter as well. Something had to give.

In the makeup meet versus the Huskies at Bowlaway Lanes that was originally scheduled for Jan. 10, but postponed because of weather, Aries made a decision that showed true sportsmanship.

“Because of Oelwein being so gracious to not make us forfeit previously when we bowled them, they allowed us to reschedule this,” said Aries. “Since we did pick up a fourth person, I kind of returned the favor back to them and only bowled three. So it was a 3-on-3 match instead of 3-on-4.”

The meet provided fans with plenty of excitement and a tense finish as the Chickasaws led by just 31 pins headed into the baker round. Aries said NH actually lost that lead head-



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Chickasaw junior Madison Dreckman starts her shot in a match versus Independence in New Hampton.

ed into the final baker games – down four pins.

The Chickasaws responded to that challenge and pulled out the win – 1,021 to 1,014.

“Oelwein made a huge run at us during the baker's part. The girls kept it together. They stayed poised,” said Aries.

The meet saw each of the three Chickasaws (1-4) all roll over a 200 series – the first time that's happened this season.

“That's a huge plus for us,” said Aries.

Chickasaw senior Mary Jane

Schmitz rolled a 244 – one better than her previous series high of 243. Schmitz was also meet medalist. Freshman McKenzie Herzberg topped out at a 236 – 35 pins better than her prior top total of the season. Madison Dreckman, a junior, rolled a 210.

Aries didn't let his team know the scores were that close come crunch time.

“I kind of kept it to myself. I still do that with the boys, too. I want to make sure they bowl the best they possibly can and

not worry about the score,” said Aries.

Oelwein won the baker round, 355-331. NH led 690 to 659 headed into the baker games.

The celebration afterwards where the NH squad could soak in the victory was extra-special.

“You could definitely see it in their faces that winning that match was a huge deal, especially for them. I guess a little more for them, than me,” said Aries.

The traditional pizza party followed the home meet and the next day at practice Aries informed the Chickasaw boys team about the important NH girls win for his first-year program.

“Just to see their faces light up and everything else...there was definitely cheers, applause and big smiles again from the girls afterwards too,” said Aries.

NH's last home meet is this Friday at home when the Chickasaws will celebrate Senior Night versus Waukon.

New Hampton begins post-season play in Class 1A at Monticello. The girls will make the two-hour trip to Legacy Lanes on Monday and then the boys will bowl in their state-qualifying meet the following day at Monticello on Tuesday.

NEW HAMPTON 1,021, OELWEIN 1,014

Medalist - Mary Jane Schmitz New Hampton 108-136-244.

New Hampton scores - Mary Jane Schmitz 108-136-244, McKenzie Herzberg 108-128-236, Madison Dreckman 103-107-210.

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Even after Charles City – sparked by a couple of dunks – built a 49-30 lead heading into the fourth quarter, New Hampton didn't roll over. Instead, the Chickasaws cut the deficit to eight and had two chances to make it a two-possession game before the Comets were finally able to secure the win.

Shekleton again led the way with 22 points and 11 rebounds. Cael Laures also had a double-double as he scored 10 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, while Gilbert, who was 3-for-4 from 3-point range, finished with 11 points.

“What I really liked is that we didn't back down,” Rausch said. “We got to the rim, and man, if we just finish a few more of those, it's a different result. ... I think Cael, for example, showed just how good he is. Charles City has size, they have length, and he didn't back down one bit. I want to win those games,

don't get me wrong, but if we can play with Charles City, we can play with 2A teams, trust me on that.”

And the Chickasaws played without its second-leading scorer in both games as Carter Steinlage was home sick.

“Put Carter in there, who knows,” Rausch said, “but you know what, when we get him back, we have a bunch of guys who I think got a boost of confidence the way they played these last two games.”

New Hampton closes the NEIC schedule tonight (Thursday) when it travels to Cresco to face a Crestwood team it beat 64-52 on Jan. 6 and then wraps up the regular season Friday at Oelwein.

And then it's playoff time, and New Hampton will take on Postville at home in the first round of the Class 2A district tournament on Monday.

The winner of that game will play the district's top-seed, MFL-Mar-Mac, in Monona on Thursday.

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Bowlaway	65	61	10
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Trojan boys get win and then some rest

Under-the-weather Turkey Valley begins busy week with quick start in 60-45 victory over Central Elkader

By DOROTHY HUBER
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If the Turkey Valley boys are as good at following directions as they were after the Trojan win over Central Elkader last Tuesday, coach John Izer should be happy.

He told his team to get home, get some rest and with fans still milling around shortly after the 60-45 victory, the players were all out of the building. With two games remaining that week — both Upper Iowa Conference tilts — the rest was needed, plus a few players were a bit under the weather.

But you couldn't tell by the way the Trojans started out, scoring over twice as many points as their visitors in the first quarter. The first period ended on a 3-point shot by Caleb Kurtenbach — the junior had a game-high 17 points on the night — to make the score 16-7. "We did what we wanted to," coach John Izer said after the game. "We had good minutes from our freshmen, we were using our two freshmen more than usual but we didn't care about the final score, as long as we got the win."

Turkey Valley outscored the Warriors in each of the quarters save for the final, even with players like Calvin Bodensteiner and Oliver Schmitt, said the coach, "not feeling well."

Bodensteiner still put 13 points on the board and Carson Busta added 11 with a team-high five steals. Noah Hanson had the most assists at seven and tied Chase Hayek with six rebounds. Dan McGreal led the Warriors with 13 points.

Central came into the night with a 4-8 record in the UIC while the Trojans were 7-5. "Central is a good 3-point shooting team, we knew it," Izer said.

"We didn't defend it all the time. Late in the game they played a defense we weren't expecting, a 1-3-1. They never played it against us before." But the coach was glad to see it, especially since, he said, they'd see it again later that week when they played Clayton Ridge. "It boogered us up for a while, though."

It was the third time the teams were scheduled to play the game, as the game was scheduled before Christmas, then the Saturday prior. The reschedule gave the Trojans five games in eight days, thus the need for the quick exit after the game.

The Trojans, who also beat Central the first time the teams played, shot at a 41.8 percent clip and was 8-for-14 from 3-point range, or 33.3 percent. The fouls were almost non-existent as Central had five and Turkey Valley four, Central attempted no free throws while the TV boys were 6-for-7. Turkey



Dorothy Huber/Tribune
Turkey Valley's Oliver Schmitt (above) puts up an inside shot while Trojan teammates Russell Nieman and Carson Busta (below) double team a Central Elkader player during a game last week.

Valley was out rebounded 33 to 23 but only had five turnovers for the game while Central had 17.

Izer was hoping whatever bug the team had would be gone soon. "I don't know why it always happens at tournament time, swear to God," he lamented. "But we didn't tax anybody's legs tonight, that was a good thing."

TURKEY VALLEY 60, CENTRAL ELKADER 45

Central Elkader	7	11	13	14	-	45
Turkey Valley	16	13	22	9	-	60

Caleb Kurtenbach 6-16 2-2 17, Calvin Bodensteiner 6-12 0-0 13, Carson Busta 4-7 0-0 11, Noah Hanson 3-4 0-0 7, Oliver Schmitt 2-7 2-3 6, Chase Hayek 2-5 0-0 4, Russell Nieman 0-1 2-2 2, John Kruse 0-1 0-0 0, Logan Busta 0-2 0-0 0.

3-point shots - C. Busta 3-5, Kurtenbach 3-9, Hanson 1-2, Bodensteiner 1-3, Schmitt 0-2, L. Busta 0-2, Nieman 0-1.

Rebounds - Hanson 6, Hayek 6, Schmitt 3, Nieman 3, Bodensteiner 2, Kurtenbach 2, L. Busta 1.

Assists - Hanson 7, Kurtenbach 4, C. Busta 2, Schmitt 2.

Steals - C. Busta 5, Hanson 2, Schmitt 1, L. Busta 1, Nieman 1.



Dorothy Huber/Tribune
Turkey Valley's Mariah Thronsdon (above) fights for a loose ball while teammate Brianna Busta (below) provides the defense during the Trojans key UIC win over Central Elkader last week.

EXACTING REVENGE!

SCHMITT'S FREE THROWS LIFT TURKEY VALLEY GIRLS PAST CENTRAL ELKADER

By DOROTHY HUBER
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If Jacqlyn Schmitt looked a little weary after Turkey Valley's game Tuesday night, it was with good reason. She had gone through the ringer, been knocked down, triple teamed and had taken the brunt of an aggressive Central team.

But when she stepped to the free throw line with 8.3 seconds left in the game and her team down by a point, all that was forgotten.

"This is the situation I want to be in," she said. "I was really excited because I was confident I could make the shots." When she did knock down both, there was enough time left for Central to be able to get a shot off at the other end, but Alison Leibold took the rebound and wrapped her arms around the ball like the game depended on it. Because it did.

Central Elkader came into the game undefeated in the Upper Iowa Conference. They were undefeated overall going into the last full week of January and were ranked as high as seventh in Class 1A, but a loss to Waukon dropped the Warriors to 17-1 and a ninth-place ranking.

It was also sweet revenge for the Trojan girls, as Central won the first time the teams played — by 30 points. Coach Steve Hoffert said he would describe his team with three words.

"Heart. Determination. Resilience. We scored one more point this time around... but our defense held them to 30 fewer points. They're a good, aggressive team, we had some turnovers but we created some turnovers too with our press."

The aggressive play sent Schmitt to the line in the first quarter where she was 4-for-4 and Addison Steinlage added 2-for-2 on the way to a 13-9 lead at the end of one. A Brianna Busta putback added two more points to start the second quarter and the senior had a steal she quickly converted to a basket for a 17-12 lead.

Turkey Valley led at the half by six, but the Warriors outscored the Trojans 13-6 in the third quarter and when Central's Delaney Scherf knocked down a 3-point shot with :31 left in the third it would give Central a lead they hadn't had since the opening minute at 32-31. It would be the sixth and final points of the game for Scherf, who leads Central with a 20.4 point per game average and damaged the Trojans the first time the teams met with 21 points.

Neither team scored the first few



minutes of the final stanza, but consecutive baskets by Aubrey Hoffert put the TV girls up by three. Central tied, then went up by three and fouled Leibold to put her on the line in the final minute.

Now Leibold hadn't exactly been stellar at the line to that point, but with the pressure on, she sank both to cut Central's lead to one, 40-39.

"Alison's our energizer bunny," said Hoffert with a grin after the game. "She's got a non-stop motor."

The defense held on Central's next possession and with 11.9 seconds on the clock, Hoffert set up the final play, one that had to travel the length of the court. "We set up our home run throw, I told Addie [Steinlage] to run as fast as you can, get the ball and get it to Jacqlyn."

It worked as planned, and Schmitt completed her night at the line with a 6-for-6 effort at the line. She had mixed feelings after the game about all the attention she drew from the opposition defense.

"I really was kind of frustrated tonight, I felt like I was getting fouled a lot and couldn't finish my shot," she said. "But I was trying to get rebounds and do everything else I could. It's actually a confidence-booster that they think I can score. It makes you feel good about yourself but it's really frustrating."

She finished with 10 points, nine rebounds and three assists, while Hoffert tied her 10 points, with two steals, and Busta brought down eight rebounds.

"The first time [Central] played so well, but also, we didn't bring half

the intensity we had tonight," said Schmitt. "We brought it every single possession."

Turkey Valley also rebounded better in this game, grabbing 37 this time around to the 18 in the earlier loss. And they were without Maici Weber, who had broken a finger the previous night in practice. "I thought we rebounded well tonight," Hoffert said. "We missed Maici's rebounding, her determination and her hustle. But Annika [Bodensteiner] and Addie stepped up nicely, they're both freshmen."

"It's that time of the year, we have bumps and bruises, the bodies are worn out," he continued. "These kids are in a lot of activities."

The game started a busy week which concluded with Thursday and Friday games, but the Trojans will have a few days of rest before starting their post-season quest this Thursday at home against West Central.

TURKEY VALLEY 41, CENTRAL ELKADER 40												
Central	9	10	13	8	-	40						
Turkey Valley	13	12	6	10	-	41						
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NH/TV's Russler takes third at state meet

Senior just misses finals, caps prep career with bronze

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The transformation was remarkable – and it happened in a relatively short amount of time.

In the span of about a year – around 365 days – Ali Russler went from a legitimate competitor in her first year ever of competing in the sport of wrestling to a devastatingly efficient technician out on the mat this winter.

For Russler – New Hampton/Turkey Valley's 145-pound senior – the motivation was simple.

And that was to be the best she could possibly be with the tools that were provided to her.

The recipe for success centered on a tried-and-true formula – drive

and dedication. Becoming an elite wrestler on the prep level wasn't going to be easy, but after countless hours of instruction and tutelage from her Chickasaw coaches, Russler got better.

Then the rest was up to her on how far she would climb up that ladder of success.

The fuel for the fire to achieve greatness came in the form of a newspaper clipping that the standout all-around athlete looked at every day after her last state meet as a junior was complete – back when the sport of girls prep wrestling in Iowa was not sanc-

tioned.

That all seems like light years ago.

Fast forward to this calendar year and Russler can now claim to be one of the state's best in her sport as she narrowly missed out on an opportunity to reel in NH/TV's first ever sanctioned state girls wrestling individual title.

Russler settled for third place after the state of Iowa's inaugural and first annual state sanctioned meet was completed last Friday at Xtream Arena in Coralville.

SEE STATE WRESTLING, 14



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NH/TV senior Ali Russler finishes off a takedown Friday afternoon during the girls state wrestling tournament.

John Burbridge/Charles City Press

A victory, a loss add up to winning week for Chickasaw boys

Seniors lead the way on their night; New Hampton gives streaking Comets a battle

By BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton's boys basketball team won one and lost one last week, yet its coach felt like, in a way, his team came up with 2 W's.

The Chickasaws put up 79 points, the most a New Hampton team had scored in more than five years, in a 16-point win over Central Springs on Senior Night Thursday and then gave Northeast Iowa Conference league-leading Charles City a battle before falling 62-52 Friday night.

"I saw a lot of good things in both games," said Ryan Rausch, whose team will take an 8-11 overall record and a 3-6 NEIC mark into the final week of the regular season. "We just got out and played so relaxed on Thursday, and then the effort we gave against a really good Charles City team was tremendous. If we play like that – trust me, there aren't a lot of Charles Citys in 2A – we can make a deep run in the postseason."

Start with that prolific scoring night against Central Springs. New Hampton got a career-high 30 points from senior Gannon Shekleton to put up its best offensive night since the Chickasaws beat MFL-Mac 88-59 on Jan. 29, 2018.

Hunter Serie's buzzer beat-er gave New Hampton a 22-15 lead heading into the second quarter, and after the Panthers cut the deficit to 27-26, the Chickasaws closed the half with a 15-7 run.

Shekleton then went off in the third quarter, scoring 13 points as New Hampton built its lead to 62-44 and never looked back.

"For me, the big thing is that we had so many seniors have a turn in the spotlight," Rausch said. "This was their night, and they performed like it."

Obviously, the young man known as "Sheck" had a huge game – going 11-for-21 from the field, grabbing eight rebounds and dishing out three assists – but he wasn't the only senior to have a career night.

Aiden Roberson scored a



New Hampton senior Aiden Roberson (above) puts up a shot while teammate Gannon Shekleton (below) wins the battle for a rebound against Central Springs.

Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton senior Elaina Rosonke (above) receives her "Senior Night" gift from Megan Pickar while classmate Carlee Rochford (below) drives to the basket in the Chickasaws' win over Central Springs last week.

Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE

CHICKASAW GIRLS HONOR SENIORS, PICK UP PAIR OF VICTORIES

By BOB FENSKE
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Elaina Rosonke scored all of three points in two New Hampton victories last week, yet the Chickasaw senior, at least in the eyes of her coach, was one of her team's stars in wins over Central Springs and Charles City.

"Elaina deserves a lot of credit with the way she played defense," David Leichtman said after his team improved to 9-10 overall and 3-6 in the Northeast Iowa Conference. "Central Springs has some really good post players and Elaina did a great job inside. She fought so hard both nights on defense, and she deserves a shout out for that."

The 52-42 win over Central Springs on Thursday was the first time New Hampton had defeated a team with a winning record this season, and the recipe was simple: Get off to a fast start and hold on. New Hampton followed it to perfection, jumping out to a 14-5 first quarter victory and then keeping the Panthers at bay the rest of the way.

New Hampton got another

SEE NH GIRLS, 14



Rested NH/TV wrestlers aim for state meet

Chickasaws' two-week break from competition ends Saturday at Class 2A district meet

By BOB FENSKE
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Matt Paulus and his New Hampton/Turkey Valley wrestlers can't wait for the weekend.

It has nothing to do with the mid-winter blahs at school, either; instead, it has everything to do with the fact that the Chickasaws' extended break will finally be over.

Saturday's Class 2A district meet in Decorah will mark the first time NH/TV will take to the mat against an opponent since Jan. 28, when the Chickasaws took third at the Northeast Iowa Conference tournament.

"It's long, way too long," Paulus said of the break between the conference tournament and the district tourney. "I think physically we're looking at it as a chance to get fully healthy, but mentally,

The district scoop

The start time: 10 a.m.
The site: Decorah High School
The teams: Aplington-Parkersburg/Grundy Center, Charles City, Crestwood, Decorah, New Hampton/Turkey Valley, North Fayette Valley, Oelwein and Waukon.
The goal: Top-two placewinners at each weight advance to state meet that will be held Feb. 15-18 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

it's tough to go practice for two straight weeks without a meet or a tournament."

So Paulus and his team have tried to break things up a bit. The Chickasaws took a day off last Monday and then traveled to Denver to practice with the Cyclones on Tuesday, but still, two weeks

at this point of the season feels like an eternity.

Of course, in the past, the Chickasaws would have competed at the sectional tournament this past Saturday, but with the movement of state duals from the day before the traditional state tournament, sectional tournaments went by the wayside.

So now, the individual season comes down to just one tournament, the district.

NH/TV has three wrestlers – Ben Tenge, Isaac Howe and Braden McShane – who are seeking their second straight trips to Des Moines, and Paulus said he believes several more Chickasaws have a shot at finishing in the top-two Saturday to punch their tickets to the state tournament that begins its four-day run this coming Wednesday.

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