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County says no to Nashua again

Supervisors vote 3-2 to deny Nashua Area EMS \$50,000 in ARPA funds

By BOB FENSKE
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It may have been a different Board of Supervisors, but the answer was the same Monday morning when it came to using Chickasaw County's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars to help fund EMS services in Nashua.

Board members voted 3-2 against a proposal made by Jake Hackman

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to give \$50,000 of the county's ARPA funds to Nashua Area EMS after that service's director, Zendra Vikturek, made the request during an update on "where Nashua is sitting right now."

Nashua was one of two cities — Alta Vista was the other — that decided not to sign a 28E agreement to use the new county-owned ambulance service that went into operation on Jan. 1. Nashua officials said they were concerned that an ambulance would not be placed in their city and also expressed concerns about the \$158,000 annual price tag.

Since opting out of the service, the city has signed an agreement with

AMR out of Charles City to provide service to the city while it gets its own service up and running.

Vikturik told board members that Nashua Area EMS has bought an ambulance that has been inspected and that seven residents are currently taking an EMT class. She added that three nurses have expressed interest in

joining the service when it is up and running. "As Nashua is a part of Chickasaw County," she said. "I was wondering if

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

Chickasaw County Sheriff Marty Hemann will make his "final call" today (Thursday) and retire after spending the past 32 years as a deputy, chief deputy and sheriff.

RIGHT MAN, RIGHT JOB

JUST ASK THOSE WHO WORK FOR RETIRING SHERIFF, HE'LL BE MISSED

By BOB FENSKE
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Sometime this afternoon, Mary Hemann will make his "final call," and when he is done, the Chickasaw County sheriff will head into retirement.

And as tough as the decision was to walk away from a career in law enforcement that spanned more than three decades, he will be

content.

"I am ready," he said Monday morning in an office that he had started to clean out. "I've had a lot of time to prepare myself so it's not like I made this decision today and I'm going to go through all the emotions in just a few days."

"Like I said in November, it's time for a new chapter."

For 32 years, he has been a mainstay at the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office — first as a

deputy working the overnight shift, then as a chief deputy and finally, beginning in 2016, the sheriff.

Today, one chapter ends; another — one centered around nine grandchildren — begins.

Yet, he leaves a legacy, one best told by the people who know him best — his wife, Lori, and the men and women who he has worked with at

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Grief program focuses on importance of faith

Organizer ecstatic with turnout at event meant to honor memory of her brother

By BOB FENSKE
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Connie Njus admitted that she awoke Saturday morning with a bundle of nerves.

Would anyone show up? Would the program she was planning be a fitting tribute to her brother? Was there enough food? Was there too much food?

All the fretting was for naught, however, as the program, "An Inside Look at Grief: A Christian Perspective on Faith," she and a team put together and held at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory hit all the right notes.

"I'm very, very happy," Njus

said. "We had such a good turnout, and I think it was meaningful to a lot of people. I think Keith was definitely smiling down on us. He loved helping people, and I think, I hope, we did that."

Keith, of course, would be Njus' brother, Keith Weigel, who passed away in September at the age of 66. Njus originally planned the event with the idea that she wanted to do something impactful to honor her brother.

On Saturday, the seeds planted months ago bore fruit as Njus, Father Jim Goerend,

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Trinity Lutheran Church Pastor Kevin Frey shares a light moment with his fellow speakers — (from left) Chub Frese, Emily Schwickerath, Father Jim Goerend and Connie Njus — during a program on grief held at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory on Saturday.

Elma man charged with the murder of missing New Hampton resident

By BOB FENSKE
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The Howard County Sheriff's Office announced last week that

the remains of a man found in November have been positively identified

as Jonathan Henry Esparza, who had been reported

missing to the New Hampton Police Department in early November.

According to a press release

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Nashua to celebrate Winterfest Saturday

After successful debut in 2022, event put on by city’s Park Board offers even more this year

By **BOB FENSKE**
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Let’s start with the obvious: The S&T Collision car is back on the ice.

And that can only mean one thing: The Nashua Park Board’s annual Winterfest is just around the corner.

And this year’s edition — slated for Saturday, Jan. 21 — is bigger and, according to Nashua Park Board President Nate Sinnwell, better than the inaugural even that was held last year.

“We had a really good turnout last year,” he said, “and almost as soon as we were done with that event, we knew this was a keeper, that this was something we wanted to continue. It’s really not a money maker for us. Our goal is to break even, but give people a break in the middle of the winter.”

Basically the Park Board looked at the 2022 event and kept the popular events, ditched the ones that didn’t create much interest and added a few events to the mix.

“We looked at other communities that have Winterfest kind of events,” Sinnwell said, “and one thing we saw was that there were a few indoor things on their schedules.”

So added to this year’s program is a free-throw shooting contest that will kick off a day full of events and be held at the Husky Wellness Center, beginning at 10 a.m.

Age group brackets will be grades K-5, grades 6-9 and an adult group that will include students in grades 10-12.

Other indoor events include a bags tournament (1 p.m.) and a “soup cookoff” (6:30 p.m.) at the Nashua Town and Country Club and both a pool (11 a.m.) and a darts (7 p.m.) tournament at Big Willie’s.

But the real star for Winterfest is, well, the season and the Park Board has plenty of activities at Cedar View Park, beginning at 11 a.m.

There’s sledding on “Mount Nashua” from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., an ice bike demo at 11, snowshoeing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., a kids ice fishing clinic from noon to 2 p.m., beer case curling from noon to 2 p.m., and a kite festival that starts at 1 p.m.

And yes, we had the same question as you probably do — beer case curling?

“Basically, you can slide a case of beer across the ice and the closest to the marker wins that case,” Sinnwell said. “We’ve got different beers — like Miller Lite, Bud Light, Busch Light — and if you’re the closest at the end of the segment, it’s all yours. ... Although, you might want to wait a bit to open the bottles.”

The Good to Go food truck will be on hand from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a hot chocolate and coffee bar will also be available from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The outdoor events will end with the luminary lighting and fireworks — the former is new; the latter is a holdover from the first Winterfest.

The luminaries, which are being sold for \$5, will, as Sinnwell puts it, “light up the night” and allow residents to honor the memory of loved ones.

They’ll be lit and placed on the ice at 5:30, and a half-hour later, fireworks will be shot off over the lake.

And then there is that car that is currently sitting on top of the ice near Veterans Memorial Park.

The question is this: When will it drop through the ice?

Those who want a chance to win a “Nashua Gift Basket” can get each one-hour time slot for \$5 and tickets will be available at the “Winterfest Base Camp,” i.e., the Upper Shelter in Cedar View Park.

And just for the record, last year’s car fell through at 2 p.m. on March 21, and all we can say is here’s to an early “drop” in 2023.



Owners of the new Sips & Savors restaurant, formerly the White House, in St. Lucas are Sheila Reicks (left) and Ann Bushman.

White House becomes Sips and Savors

By **DOROTHY HUBER**
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Ann Bushman’s first thought for a new name for the White House Supper Club in St. Lucas was “Two Crazy Ladies.”

Bushman and her business partner Sheila Reicks decided against that name — opting for Sips & Savors instead — but Reicks thought the Crazy Ladies name wasn’t that far off. After all, that’s what the ladies’ friends all thought when they divulged plans to reopen the famous restaurant.

THE WHITE HOUSE was a fixture in Northeast Iowa. Started by Mark and Marge Mihm in 1965, their daughter Jann and husband John Kuehner continued the tradition for 42 years before retiring. Tami and Lyle Pries also ran the restaurant, but it closed in May of last year. The building was going up for auction, Reicks told the owner she was interested in submitting a bid and as a



first step she called Bushman — who cooked during the Pries ownership — to ask if she would return as a cook. The two had never met.

“I needed a full-time cook and all I ever heard was how wonderful the food was when Ann was here,” Reicks said. Bushman agreed to return.

The next step was to look for a business partner, but that step was harder. In fact, Reicks found no one that wanted to invest the time and money needed, so she decided not to submit a bid. But at the auction no one bid and the owner approached Reicks again, asking her if she thought about Bushman as a partner. She hadn’t.

“I told him ‘I don’t even know Ann, why in God’s name would I go into business with her?’”

But the thought of the building possibly being torn down prompted Reicks to take the advice of her husband Merle and at least meet with Bushman. Their first meeting was a long one. “We talked for six hours,” said Bushman. “My husband Steve came though several times and finally he said to Sheila ‘do I need to get your

room ready for tonight?’”

They did cover a lot of bases. “We talked about ‘what’s your goal, how do you see this playing out,’ we talked about how to handle conflicts, just to make sure we were on the same page,” Reicks recalled. “I don’t know, we just seemed to jive. When I left I told her to think about it and let me know and I wasn’t even to the door and she said ‘I think I’m in.’”

BOTH LADIES were encouraged by their husbands, Ann and Steve Bushman live between Eldorado and Festina; Sheila and Merle live just outside of St. Lucas. Reicks practically grew up next door to the White House, as her parents Norbert and Delores Kuennen owned and operated Kuennen’s Tap.

“I used to crawl up on the cooler and take a nap when mom was cooking,” she said. Someone told her that her first trip to the tap came when she was 2-3 days old and her mom was back to work. “I was the last of seven kids so, yeah, she probably would have been back there in the kitchen by then.”



Owners of the new Sips & Savors restaurant Sheila Reicks, left, will do the bartending at Sips & Savors, while Ann Bushman tends to the facility’s large kitchen.

Reicks will remain the ‘front’ person. She said she started bartending “as soon as I could walk” but then tweaked that answer. “Whatever the legal age was, I’m sure,” she laughed. “But I’ve always liked customer service. I enjoy the customers and training people to do customer service. I think if you can handle customer service at a bar you can pretty much handle anything.”

Her brother still runs Kuennen’s Tap right next door, but she didn’t see much of a conflict, if any. “We serve a lot of different drinks, he doesn’t do the Tom Collins, the Old Fashions and the Grasshoppers that go over really well for us. The Brandy Alexanders are popular, strawberry daiquiris, it takes a little more time but I like making the more unique drinks.”

Bushman brings her own recipes to Sips & Savors, although she made a point of saying the garlic bread and relish trays — traditions that date back to the Mihm years — will remain. She enjoys cooking and has a penchant for fresh food, as her former business was Annie’s Gardens and Greens. She’s not sure, though, how much time she’ll have to grow produce this spring.

The restaurant has been busy.

“We opened the 21st of December, but 3-4 weeks before that we did a soft opening,” Bushman said. The learning curve has included predicting how many staff members are needed.

“We have anywhere between eight and 14-16 people, depending on the night. It’s amazing how many people it takes to run a restaurant. It can be overwhelming.”

She emphasized that this is not fast food.

“Fine dining is a slow process, you’re not in and out in 15 minutes.”

Sips & Savors will be open Wednesdays through Saturdays, 4 to 9 p.m.

Reicks appreciates the help given by her family — including her kids McKenna, Travis, Kelby and Dylan — along with friends and the community.

“We appreciate their patience and support as we figure things out. We’re all learning.”

Bushman likes the fact the restaurant is busy, although she would “like to sit down and breathe once in a while too.”

“Jann and John were at this for 42 years,” she said. “You cannot fill those shoes. We’ll probably always be compared to the White House but we’re making a fresh start. We’re making this ours.”



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More may be on the way

Tribune reporter Dorothy Huber captured this winter scene photo of a farmstead east of Alta Vista last week, and although the recent warm temperatures have melted much of the snow and ice away, Old Man Winter may make a return this week as the area is under a winter storm watch that began Wednesday night and runs through Thursday.

Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Little Sprouts would man ‘wrap-around’

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say you should never say you solved the problem, but if this goes through, there should not be a lack of child-care in Chickasaw County. ... I’m not sure you can go anywhere else in the state and say that.”

Ameling pointed out that Little Sprouts currently serves families not only from Chickasaw County but also Howard, Floyd and Fayette counties, and Robinson pointed out that a wrap-around daycare that would be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day would be an excellent marketing tool for New Hampton Community Schools.

“This is not a new concept and I’ve reached out to other schools that do this,” she said. “One told me it gives them the opportunity to engage with families sooner and they’re using it as a great marketing tool for their kids.”

She said board members only need to look at what is happening at St. Joseph Community School.

“I’ll tell you right here in New Hampton it’s working for St. Joe’s,” Robinson said. “They’re building that rapport, that relationship, with these families so they are able to get them to potentially stay at the school.”

Under the plan, Little Sprouts would provide the staffing of the wrap-around daycare that would also be open in the summer.

Because the item was not on the agenda, board members could not take any action on the issue but will consider the proposal at its February meeting.

Also on Monday night, the School Board pushed ahead a plan to pave the entire parking lot behind the high school and middle school

They agreed to hold a public hearing on Feb. 20 and seek bids on a project that would create 238 parking spaces, including seven handicap spots. Jurrens told the board members that the bid specs call for an asphalt lot but also ask bidders to quote



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson talks to the School Board Monday night about the possibility of a “wrap-around” daycare being housed at New Hampton Elementary School.

a price for concrete.

Although Monday’s action kept the project moving, the board also has the right to reject all bids if they come in too high.

In other news from the board meeting:

• The board accepted the resignations of three high school instructors — Bill Glenn (business), Jim Russ (vocational agriculture) and Sandra Russ (special education) — all of whom submitted their resignations before Dec. 31.

In November, board members agreed to pay teachers who resigned before that date \$100 per unused sick day in an effort to attract more candidates for open positions.

• The School Board gave its official approval of an agreement reached in mediation about the Northeast Iowa Conference. Under the deal, Waverly-Shell Rock will remain in the league for the 2023-24 school year, but will not seek membership after that. All six of the Northeast Iowa Conference schools have now approved the agreement.

• Board members agreed to raise admission prices to activity events by \$1, beginning next fall. That means the price to get into a game or concert will be \$6 for adults and \$4 for students.

• They also agreed to spend \$110,000 on brick repair at the downtown elementary building, but with the daycare renovations back in play, as well as

the possibility of the parking lot improvements, held off on spending \$120,000 for tuck-pointing the building.

• Board members also heard from one parent who questioned some of the disciplinary actions taken by music teachers during a recent school-sponsored trip to Disney in Florida.

During the discussion, several other parents who served as chaperones on the trip, stood by the actions taken by teachers.

Briefs

SNHU president’s list

Samantha Dowd of New Hampton has been named to Southern New Hampshire University’s Fall 2022 President’s List. The fall terms run from September to December.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 and above for the reporting term are named to the list.

Kirkwood CC dean’s list

Kirkwood Community College has released its dean’s list, which includes Alta Vista’s Trenton Hubka, for the fall 2022 semester.

To qualify, full-time students must earn a grade-point average of 3.3 or better.

NICC dean’s list

The fall 2022 dean’s list for Northeast Iowa Community College is as follows.

Elma: Hope Balk, Ryder-Maloy Fair.

Fort Atkinson: Hailey Elsbernd, Megan Hageman, Morgan Kleve, Russell Nieman, Jacqlyn Schmitt, Troy Schmitt.

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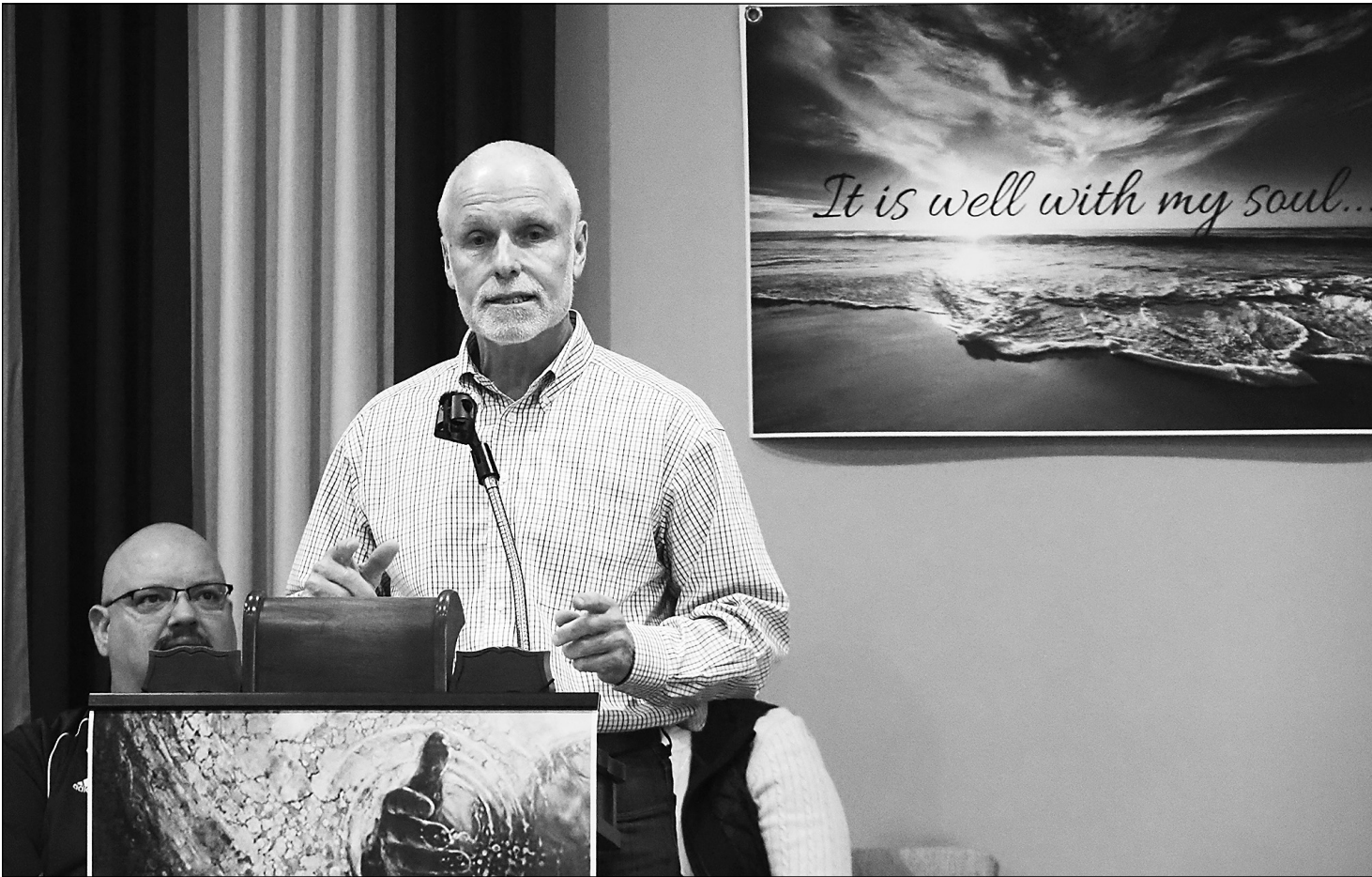
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Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton resident Chub Frese (above) talks about his grief journey during a program that also featured the musical talents of Michelle Lau (on piano below), Kathy Ball and John Cuvelier.

Stories strike a chord with crowd

GRIEF: FROM 4

Pastor Kevin Frey, Emily Schwickerath and Chub Freese shared their grief stories. They did so with a mix of emotion, deep thoughts and, yes, humor.

And they touched many in the crowd who fought back tears as they connected to the stories told by those who are continuing to navigate their grief journey.

Njus pointed to a poster that was on display at the funeral home that's message was simple:

"People think that grief slowly gets smaller with time; in reality, grief stays the same size but slowly life begins to grow bigger around it."

"It's that life-goes-on thing that people always say," Njus said, "but that doesn't mean the grief goes away but it does change. Our message in a lot of ways is that as hard as the journey is, we need our faith to get us through."

Njus was especially thankful that Keith's wife, Wendy, and three of their four children were able to be on hand, and she was also grateful for her fellow team members, their stories and the special music provided by John Cuvelier, Kim Ball and Michelle Lau.

The speakers' grief stories ran the gamut. Some losses occurred recently; others long ago. Some losses were parents; one was a child. Some were



expected; others were not.

But they hit home with many in the crowd, some of whom wiped tears away as Njus, Goerend, Frey, Schwickerath and Freese shared their stories.

"Emily's story, of course, was about the loss of a child," Njus said, "and someone who lost a

child 50 years ago said everything Emily experienced, she did, too. That was amazing to me, and it shows you how much we can help each other through grief with our shared experiences."

Faith, though, was the key for all the speakers, and maybe we

all needed the reminder Frey, the pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church, shared on Saturday morning, and it came in the form of his confirmation verse — Phillippians 4:13 — which reads:

"I can do all this through Him who gives me strength."

Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies?
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Luke 12:6-7



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Worried About Inflation? Consider These Moves

As you know, inflation was big news throughout 2022. But will it continue in 2023? And looking even further ahead, how should you account for inflation in your long-term plans?

In regard to the first question, many experts predict that inflation will cool off this year, though there are no guarantees. The high inflation of last year is thought to have been caused by some unusual factors, such as a spike in the demand for consumer goods as the world came out of the COVID-19 pandemic, which led to supply chain issues. Also, the war in Ukraine drove up oil prices, increasing the cost of manufacturing and shipping and driving up the price of wheat and other commodities.

In any case, last year reminded us that inflation needs to be reckoned with as you work toward your financial goals. But how you respond to inflation will depend somewhat on your stage of life. So, here are some suggestions to consider:

If you're still working ...

- *Contribute more to your retirement plans.* If you can afford to put more money away in your IRA and 401(k), you may want to do so. The more resources you'll eventually have available in retirement, the better protected you are against the rising cost of living.
- *Adjust your portfolio objectives with your financial professional.* Using tools such as "hypothetical" illustrations, a financial professional can show you some different paths you might take with your investments, given different rates of inflation. So, for example, if you feel that inflation may be higher for a longer period than you once thought, you could request a hypothetical showing how you might need to adjust your investment mix to achieve your long-term goals, given your risk tolerance and time horizon.
- **If you're already retired ...**
- *Consider part-time work or consulting.* Once you retire from your career, it doesn't mean you



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can never do any paid work again. If you've accumulated years of experience and expertise, you could use your skills as a consultant. Also, many part-time jobs are available for retirees. With the added income from employment, you may be able to delay taking withdrawals from your retirement accounts and other investments, possibly extending their longevity. (Once you turn 72, though, you will need to begin taking money from your 401(k) and traditional IRA.)

- *Delay taking Social Security.* You can begin taking Social Security when you're 62, but your monthly checks will be substantially bigger if you wait until your full retirement age, which will likely be between 66 and 67. (You could even wait until 70, at which point your monthly benefits will max out.) Of course, the ability to delay taking Social Security depends on whether you can afford it, but it may be possible if you work longer than you once planned or if you work part time in retirement. But even if you do need to take Social Security before your full retirement age, your payments will be adjusted annually for inflation — in fact, for 2023, benefit checks will rise 8.7% over 2022.

We'll always have to deal with some level of inflation — so it's a good idea to be prepared.

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County leaders reject request from Nashua Area EMS director

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

there's a possibility of us having some of those [county] funds to purchase some equipment for the ambulance."

Two supervisors, Hackman and Scott Cerwinske — the latter's district includes the city of Nashua — expressed support for the idea.

"I tried this a couple of months ago," Hackman said, "and I would still support ARPA funding."

This past fall, the Board of Supervisors rejected Hackman's motion to give county ARPA funds of \$100,000 to Nashua and \$50,000 to Alta Vista on a 3-2 vote.

New board member Travis Suckow, though, did not like the precedent that would be set by giving county funds to Nashua Area EMS.

"So what's stopping Lawler, Fredericksburg, North Washington saying they want \$50,000, too?"

Viktorek had a quick answer to the supervisor's query. "I don't know," she said, "they're not here."

When it came to the vote, both Hackman and Cerwinske voted to give the money to Nashua while Board Chairman Matt Kuhn and Steve Breitbach joined Suckow in voting down the proposal.

But Kuhn said he would like to explore having Nashua come on board with the county-owned service.

He said the issue this past summer wasn't that county officials didn't want to put a rig in Nashua; instead, it was could it be staffed?

"We said, 'If you can staff a rig, we'll put a rig in Nashua,'" he said and when asked when that was talked about, he quickly replied, "at numerous Ambulance Council meetings this past summer."

Kuhn broached the subject of having Nashua join forces with Chickasaw County EMS.

"We can make all of this issue go away really fast in my opinion," he said, "I don't know if you're going to have the support from your City Council to do that."

Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson said that if Nashua joined the coun-

ty-owned service, it could be up and running in a matter of weeks.

"The upside if you became part of the county — the last time I brought this up, I almost got my head bit off," he said, [but] what I will say is we'd be adding you to the license of the county, which has already been inspected and in place. So in theory, we can have two weeks and you guys could be operational."

Cerwinske, though, responded to Kuhn and Knutson with what was being left unsaid.

"But you're leaving out the part," he said, "where it was going to cost Nashua \$158,000 to do that."

Kuhn said that remained the unanswered question: Is Nashua's absence from the county-owned service because of the rig or the cost?

Also during Monday's meeting, board members discussed mutual-aid agreements with surrounding EMS providers, as well as so-called "paramedic intercept" fees.

Although supervisors didn't take action on either, Viktorek said that she didn't want any "territorial fights" when it came to figuring out which ambulance service should be called.

"If the ambulance is close for them to come from New Hampton, by all means, send them," she said, "but if it's on the other side of Nashua — and Nashua is in service — I would rather them be the closest ambulance to be paged. We don't want just do the city of Nashua, it's Nashua Area [EMS]."

Kuhn said that while he understood that mutual-aid agreements were common in the EMS world, he wanted to make sure that Chickasaw County EMS wasn't becoming the main provider to other areas without receiving some kind of compensation.

"If it's helping out a neighbor, it's one thing," he said, "but if it's constantly a service — and it doesn't matter if it's Nashua or some other service — that we're constantly going there, then it's probably a little bit different."

The board is expected to take up the mutual-aid agreements and the paramedic intercept fees at next week's meeting.

Feds charge New Hampton man for overdose death

Grand jury indicts Lechtenberg for 19-year-old Jace Cajthaml's fentanyl death in 2020

By BOB FENSKE
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A federal grand jury last week indicted a New Hampton man for "knowingly and intentionally distribute a mixture or substance of a detectable amount of fentanyl" that led to the death of 19-year-old Jace Cajthaml in July 2020.

Tarron Lechtenberg, 23, was arrested and taken into custody in Waterloo last Thursday and pleaded not guilty in federal court on Friday.

A preliminary and detention hearing will be held Friday at the U.S. District Courthouse in Cedar Rapids.

The indictment stems from Cajthaml's death on July 30, 2020 and is the latest in Lechtenberg's legal troubles.

In February 2020, Lechtenberg was charged with third-degree burglary and

four drug counts by then-Chickasaw County Attorney Jennifer Schwickerath.

A year later, he accepted a plea deal in which he pleaded guilty to the burglary charge and a controlled substance violation, and District Court Judge Alan Heavens sentenced Lechtenberg to two prison terms — five years and two years — to be served consecutively.

This past summer, Casey Cajthaml, the father of Jace and the administrator of his estate, filed a wrongful death suit against Lechtenberg, his father Troy and "John Doe's #4-6" in Chickasaw County District Court.

According to court documents, Jace Cajthaml was at the New Hampton home of Troy Lechtenberg, Tarron Lechtenberg's father, on July 30 when Tarron Lechtenberg "fraudulently misrepresented the nature and type of substance which caused the decedent ... to believe that it was safe to

inject."

Court documents also state that as a result of taking the controlled substance, Jace Cajthaml "showed signs of an adverse drugs reaction, including but not limited to looking sick, sweating, with blood shot eyes, snoring and foaming at the nose."

Casey Cajthaml and the estate went on to say while the Lechtenbergs did "check on him" they did "not provide him with any competent medical care until Tarron Lechtenberg drove the deceased into town, where he met the ambulance which was called and the ambulance attendants declared [Jace Cajthaml] dead."

Jace Cajthaml attended New Hampton Community Schools until his junior year of high school, when he transferred to Charles City High School. At Charles City, he was active in football, wrestling and baseball before graduating in 2019.



Photo courtesy of Michelle Nystel/Turkey Valley

Constitution expert

Turkey Valley High School senior Jacquelyn Schmitt has been named a finalist in the Iowa State Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division "Know Your Constitution" Project and will be one of 86 students from around the state to be honored at an awards luncheon in Des Moines on Friday.

During the luncheon, five students and their teachers will be chosen by a random drawing to receive scholarship grants and honoraria in recognition of their efforts.

The project is designed to enrich students' understanding and appreciation of the U.S. Constitution. Students took a quiz that included an essay question, and this year's topic involved Constitutional questions concerning student free speech off campus and subsequent school suspension.



Judy and George Maloy

Maloy 60th anniversary

Teresa Werner, Shanon (Tamie) Maloy, Connie (Ron) Bethany and Joe (DeDe) Maloy, along with the 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren, would like to wish George and Judy Maloy a wonderful 60th wedding anniversary on Jan. 20.

Please send anniversary wishes to; 1767 220th Street, New Hampton, IA 50659



Residents need to rally around county's libraries

Letter to the Editor

The county librarians have requested to be on the agenda in defense of our budget as soon as possible. We will keep you posted as to when that will occur.

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Carrie Becker, New Hampton Public Library director

State dance highlight show will air on Iowa PBS Jan. 28

Iowa PBS will present exclusive coverage of the 2023 Iowa State Dance Championships on Saturday, Jan. 28 at 7 p.m.

The two-hour coverage will showcase winning routines and interviews with coaches of the teams. The competition will be rebroadcast Sunday, Jan. 29 at 1 p.m.

Approximately 5,000 of Iowa's best young dancers showcased their talents in what is considered to be one of the nation's largest and most prestigious events of its kind.



The Mishak Family wishes to thank our wonderful, family, friends and community for all the prayers, calls, cards, gifts, meals and other support in light of Marilee's accident. What should have been a joyous trip to Ireland and Germany turned to tragedy when Marilee was struck by a vehicle the night prior to departure in St. Paul, MN the night of September 14th. She sustained severe injuries requiring an initial 12-hour surgery to repair broken bones and internal injuries, followed by over two months of hospitalization and continued rehabilitation. During that time, she and our family received countless inquiries, well wishes, and promises of prayers for her recovery. Your thoughtfulness was not only appreciated, but needed during those hard times. We will be forever grateful for our friends, family and community.

Gerry & Marilee Mishak



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Forecast

Thursday: Morning snow likely with a high of 29 and low of 18.

Friday: Mostly cloudy with a high of 23 and low of 14.

Saturday: Mostly cloudy with a high of 27 and low of 18.

Sunday: Mostly cloudy with a high of 26 and a low of 15.

Extended forecast: The good news is that we actually may see the sun to start the work week but highs will remain in the 20s and lows will be in the 10s.

Meetings

MONDAY

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

History

- In 1952, Professional Golfers Association president Horton Smith announces that a seven-man committee “almost unanimously” votes to allow Black golfers to compete in PGA co-sponsored events.
- In 1966, following the death of Indian Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri, Indira Gandhi becomes head of the Congress Party and the first female prime minister of India
- In 1972, 36-year-old Sandy Koufax, the former Los Angeles Dodgers star, becomes the youngest player elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- In 1993, members of the band Fleetwood Mac reunite to perform at President Bill Clinton’s inaugural ball.
- In 2007, Beijing, China, the capital city of the planet’s most populous nation, gets its first drive-through McDonald’s restaurant.

Birthdays

- Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee was born in 1807.
- The great American poet Edgar Allan Poe was born in 1809.
- The late American singer-songwriter Janis Joplin was born in 1943.
- Olympic gold medalist gymnast Shawn Johnson, an Iowa native, turns 31.
- U.S. Secretary of Transportation and former presidential candidate Pete Buttigieg turns 41.
- Former tennis great Stefan Edberg turns 57.
- Country music star Dolly Parton turns 77.

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Marty Hemann has come a long ways as these photos of posing with his fellow deputies (above) — hint, Hemann is in the first row on the left — back in the 1990s and one taken recently (right) of him at his desk.



Employees laud, appreciate their sheriff

SHERIFF: FROM 1

the Sheriff’s Office.

WHEN MARTY HEMANN made the announcement in late November that he would retire, he shared his story — one that began in Osage, where he grew up, and took him to North Iowa Area Community College and law enforcement — first as a police officer in Hawkeye and then to Fayette and finally, in 1990, to Chickasaw County.

Along the way, he had two children, divorced, remarried, welcomed his wife’s two children and eventually became a grandfather to nine.

“Marty is a humble man,” Lori Hemann said. “I think that’s the best, most simple and most accurate way to describe him. He’s that way at work; he’s that way at home. It’s why I fell in love with him.”

It hasn’t always been easy to be a law-enforcement spouse. The late-night phone calls, the knocks on the door, the weekends interrupted by the bad guys or a disaster.

Make no mistake about it, though, she is proud of her husband, she is proud of the way he has conducted himself while serving and protecting.

“I asked him the other day what he thought his legacy would be,” she said, “and I think his answer is so Marty. He told me that ‘I hope the citizens of Chickasaw County feel I did a good job for them and that they respected me as their sheriff as much as I respected them.’ He’s touched a lot of lives, I do know that.”

YES, HE HAS, and many of those people will go to work Friday with a little sadness in their heart.

Oh, the men and women of the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s Office are happy for their boss. They will tell you that he’s earned his retirement, yet at the same time, they’ll miss the humble and decent man who found his calling in law enforcement.

This past week, the Tribune asked the deputies, jailers, dispatchers and staff of the office to share their thoughts on the man who will make that final call this afternoon.

They shared stories about Hemann, some serious, some funny. They talked about what made him not only a stand-out sheriff but a boss and co-worker they’ll never forget.

“You can work any place,” dispatcher and jailer Nichole Ackerson said, “but it’s the people there that make it more than just a job. And Marty has been one of those people that makes this more than just a job.”

The funny thing is this; Ackerson met Hemann long ago.

“Marty issued me my one and only speeding ticket, when I was in high school,” she said. “He was as kind then as he is now.”

That kindness showed through in a variety of ways.

Just ask Deputy Stephen Johnson, who will tell you the story about being injured on the job.

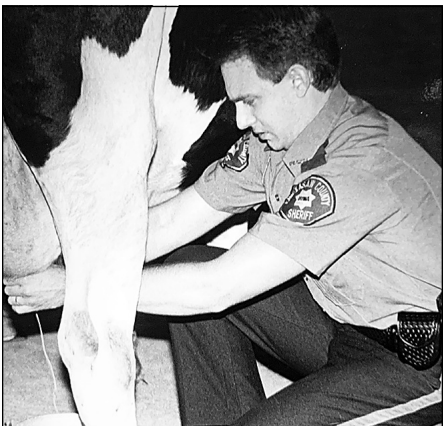
“Marty was there almost immediately for support,” he said. “He checked on me regularly during my recovery and somehow knew all of the dates for my upcoming appointments before I did.”

When dispatcher and jailer Shawn Douglas was in the hospital for a non-work related procedure, Hemann came to visit.

“Not once have I ever had a boss



Marty Hemann and his family pose together after taking part in the Ionia Fun Days Parade in 2016, the year he was first elected sheriff, but long before he took over the top spot, he did what a lot of sheriff deputies do — he (below) took part in the annual milking challenge at Dairy Days in Fredericksburg.



in any job I’ve had do that,” she said. “I have the utmost respect for Sheriff Hemann and it’s well-deserved.”

MAYBE THE BIGGEST mark Hemann made on the men and women of the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s Office was his dedication to the job, to the people of the county and to his co-workers.

Asked to sum up his boss, Chief Deputy Ryan Shawver, who is expected to be a appointed Hemann’s replacement at Monday’s Board of Supervisors meeting, was short and succinct.

“One word, dedicated.”

For years, that dedication was shown on the overnight shift, which Hemann worked for more than 20 years, and longtime Sheriff’s Office employee Barb Hemesath remembers well when Hemann moved to the day shift.

“He was always asked if he was the new guy by the public,” she said. “We joked many times about being the new guy who had been here for 20 plus years.”

Hemesath, though, also will tell you that she never once heard someone complain about Hemann’s work.

“He set a great example for all of us.”

Deputy and Chief Jail Administrator Jordan Gansen agreed.

“Marty Hemann shows a level of dedication to the county that is hard to find, in any profession but especially law enforcement,” he said. “He emulates

what it means to lead by example and he was never afraid to get in the trenches with the rest of us.”

For a number of people in the department, it was Hemann who gave them their start. He hired them, he trained them and, yes, he helped them through some rocky moments.

“I will be forever grateful to Sheriff Hemann for hiring me four years ago, giving me the opportunity to work for the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s Office,” Deputy Zach Isakson said. “Sheriff Hemann has done an excellent job leading the Department and exemplifies what it means to serve with gratitude, humility, and integrity.”

The impact he made on those he worked with will last throughout their careers. Just ask Deputy K.J. Miller.

“Sheriff Hemann has shared his knowledge to help create and instill confidence in myself while dealing with various situations and handling calls,” she said.

“Sheriff Hemann’s abilities have taught me the value of interacting with citizens while maintaining professionalism, being tactful, fair and respectful.”

ASK ANY ONE who has worked in law enforcement and they will tell you there are good days and there are bad ones.

Adam Hanson first met Hemann back in 2004, when Hanson was hired as a police officer by the city of Nashua, and Hemann brought him on as a deputy a dozen years later.

“His calm, cool, and collected demeanor in any situation is something I’ve always tried to pattern myself after,” Hanson said. “Marty has always been a great leader and a great friend, who always has words of encouragement after good days and the long, not so good ones.”

Ask any one who has worked in law enforcement and they will also tell you that humor is part of the job. It has to be.

Deputy Marty Blaess remembers when he started working at the Sheriff’s

Office a couple of years ago and how items like his training packet and water bottle would go missing, only to be found in the freezer the next day.

“I kept your water cold for you, didn’t I,” Hemann would say with a wry smile.

There are countless stories — like the Coors brewery story, a tale for another day — that can be told, and the Hemann could take as well as he could give.

“On one occasion, a small speaker that played cat noises every few minutes magically appeared at the office,” Hanson said. “Now, I’m not exactly sure HOW it ended up in Marty’s office but it managed to find its way under his desk. Needless to say, Marty searched high and low to find the poor lost cat that was trapped in his office. Marty eventually found the speaker and it was never heard from again. A few cat emojis later, I knew Marty got a good chuckle out of his office cat.”

WHEN HE ANNOUNCED his intention to retire, Hemann went out of his way to thank his predecessors and his co-workers.

He talked about learning from past sheriffs and, yes, learning from the men and women who worked for him the past seven years.

And those employees say they are losing a great mentor and friend this afternoon.

Hemann, though, is ready.

The office is almost cleaned out, and retirement beckons.

“He told me he has nine reasons to retire,” Lori Hemann said, referring to the couple’s grandchildren. “To me, he’s sacrificed so much for his job that he deserves to do what he wants to do now.”

His employees would concur, even if they will miss him.

“Marty is loyal, honest and just an all-around nice person,” dispatcher and jailer Jamie Ekwall said. “All of us are happy for him, but it just won’t be quite the same without him.”

Final call has arrived for Marty Hemann.

Authorities say search warrant led to discovery of human remains

MURDER: FROM 1

from the Howard County Sheriff’s Office, authorities have filed a charge of first-degree murder on Savoyonne Jordan, a 26-year-old resident of Elma.

Jordan is being held in the Howard County Jail on a \$1

million cash bond.

The New Hampton Police Department received a missing person’s report on Nov. 4, and according to a department press release, immediately opened an investigation and notified the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI).

On Nov. 30, the Howard County Sheriff’s Office and the DCI executed a search warrant at 808 Main St. in Elma, which authorities said was Jordan’s residence, and found human remains.

Those remains were sent to the Medical Examiner’s Office

and positively ID’d as Esparza.

Esparza, age 30, was last seen leaving his resident in New Hampton to visit a friend’s house in Elma on Oct. 20.

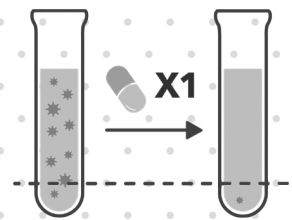
After the search warrant was conducted in November, Jordan, who once lived in Charles City and who, accord-

ing to Iowa Courts Online, has faced a lengthy list of legal charges, was charged with a controlled substance violation and failure to affix drug stamp and arrested in mid-December/

But he posted \$5,000 bond on Dec. 20 and was released from jail.

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Public Notice
IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Deborah L. Weidler, Deceased, Probate No. ESPR003083
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of **Deborah L. Weidler**, Deceased, who died on or about **October 26, 2022**.
You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of December, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Deborah L. Weidler deceased, bearing date of the **4th day of April, 2016**, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Lorraine A. Weidler was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent and de-

visees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred. Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated this **16th day of December, 2022**
Lorraine A. Weidler, 145 Lake View Court, New Hampton, Iowa 50659, Executor of Estate
Collin M. Davison, ICIS Pin No. AT0010905, Laird Law Firm, 11 Fourth Street NE, P.O. Box 1567, Mason City, IA 50402-1567, Attorneys for Executor
Date of second publication 01/19/23
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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MELVIN PACOVSKY, Deceased., CASE NO. ESPR003088
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Melvin Pacovsky, Deceased, who died on or about December 14, 2022:
You are hereby notified that on January 4, 2023, the last will and testament of Melvin Pacovsky, deceased, bearing date of April 9, 2004, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Lynn J. Pacovsky was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be

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Dated January 5, 2023.
Lynn J. Pacovsky, Executor of estate
Address: 1880 240th Street, New Hampton, Iowa 50659
Nathaniel W. Schwickerath, ICIS#: AT0007110, Attorney for executor, Schwickerath P.C., 2069 170th Street
New Hampton, Iowa 50659
Date of second publication 01/19/23
Probate Code Section 304
No. 22617
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City of Alta Vista Council Meeting
Monday, January 9, 2023
The regular meeting for the City Council of Alta Vista convened on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Frank Burke, Kevin Crooks, Rick Heying, Dean White, Samantha Slick and Amy Laures in the Alta Vista City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Frank Burke.
Agenda was discussed. White made the motion, seconded by Heying to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.
December 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes were discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by White to approve the December 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.
Visitor concerns were discussed. Library Board meeting will be January 18, 2023 at 3:45 pm.
Fire Department was discussed. Tree Ordinance was discussed. Ordinances were discussed. FY23-24 Budget was discussed. There will be a special Council meeting on January 30, 2023 at 5 pm.
Resolution 2023-1-1 approving the transfer of \$1,573.20 to replace a storm sewer intake on the corner of White Ave and Weber St. from the LOST account to the Road Use Fund was read. Crooks made the motion, seconded by White to approve Resolution 2023-1-1. Ayes: White, Crooks, Slick, Laures, Heying. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Council duties discussed. Delinquents were discussed.

Water was discussed. Sewer was discussed. Streets were discussed. Vehicles on street were discussed. Sanitation was discussed. Parks were discussed. Municipal Hall was discussed. AV Days would like to use Municipal Hall on February 24 for a Fish Fry.
Electric was discussed. Financial reports were discussed. Crooks made the motion, seconded by White to approve the December financial reports. Roll call vote. Ayes: Laures, Heying, White, Crooks, Slick. Nays: none. Motion carried.
Disbursements were discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by Heying to approve the disbursements. Roll call vote. Ayes: Laures, Heying, White, Crooks, Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.
December Disbursements To Whom, Amt, Purpose
Buchholtz, Dale W..... \$1,129.98
Wages- 11/13-11/26 \$46.17
Crooks, Kevin \$46.17
Council Pay- November Meeting
Halvorson, Patricia R \$214.71
Wages- 11/13-11/26 \$46.17
Heying, Richard \$46.17
Council Pay- November Meeting
Holthaus, Jarrett \$583.18
Wages- 11/13-11/26 \$46.12
Laures, Amy L \$46.12
Council Pay- November Meeting
Slick, Samantha \$46.17
Council Pay- November Meeting
White, Dean A \$46.17
Council Pay- November Meeting
Burke, Francis \$92.35

ELECTRIC UTILITY - COMMUNICATIONS BOARD ROOM MONDAY JANUARY 9, 2023 5:00 P.M.
The Board of Trustees of the New Hampton Municipal Light Plant met for a regular meeting on Monday January 9, 2023 at 5:00 pm in the board room at the Communications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton, IA.
Board members present were Hendricks, Anderson, Babcock and Cantu. Dahl was absent. General Manager Brian Quirk and City Clerk Karen Clemens were also present.
The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Anderson at 5:00 p.m.
Moved by Babcock, seconded by Hendricks; That the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Dahl. Motion carried.
Dahl arrived at 5:02 pm
Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Dahl; That the minutes of the December 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
O'Donohoe arrived at 5:13 pm
O'Donohoe and Quirk discussed the results of the mediation with MP Nexlevel, LLC and the settlement agreement was \$427,500. The NHMU will be responsible for 37.5% of this amount. Moved by Babcock, seconded by Cantu; That claims in the amount of \$664,172.72 be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
Moved by Babcock, seconded by Hendricks; That the Finance Reports for December, 2022, be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu That Resolution # 981 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 725 TO CHANGE THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION RATE TO 17.31% FOR 2023, BE APPROVED. Ayes -Dahl, Hendricks, Anderson, Babcock, Cantu Nays – None. Absent – None. Resolution approved.
Moved by Babcock, seconded by Hendricks; THAT RESOLUTION NO. 982 APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE #1 FOR THE SCADA IMPROVEMENT AND HOSPITAL/SCHOOL FEEDER PROTECTION AND CONTROLS ADDITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,961.61 TO HAROLD K. SCHOLZ COMPANY, be approved. Ayes -Dahl, Hendricks, Anderson, Babcock, Cantu. Nays – None. Absent – None. Resolution approved.
Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Babcock THAT RESOLUTION NO. 983 APPROVING PAY ESTIMATE #10 FOR THE ELECTRIC METER CUTOVER- PHASE 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,744.66 TO NEW HAMPTON ELECTRIC, INC, be approved. Ayes -Dahl, Hendricks, Anderson, Babcock, Cantu. Nays – None. Absent – None. Resolution approved.
General Manager Brian Quirk expressed interest in updating the bucket truck, digger equipment and backyard machine. Quirk shared several possibilities of purchasing new equipment, renting equipment or purchasing used equipment. The Board requested the assets be purchased as part of a future years' budget. Quirk was also aware that the timeline for the delivery of the equipment would be over 12 months.
General Manager Report:
1.Lt Plant staff had to run the engines a couple times in December which allowed staff to find issues with the check valves.
2.Staff is continuing to complete one calls.
3.Staff has completed the initial work for the new 12 unit apartment building at the corner of Hamilton and Spring.
Moved by Babcock, seconded by Cantu; that the meeting adjourn at 5:39 pm. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk
GRANT ANDERSON, Board Chair
LIGHT PLANT JANUARY 9, 2023 5:00 P.M.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY, BOARD ROOM MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023, 5:15 P.M.
The members of the Telecommunications Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 5:15 p.m. in the Telecommunications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton.
Board members present were Dahl, Hendricks, Anderson, Babcock and Cantu. Absent - None. Attorney Kit O'Donohoe, General Manager Brian Quirk and City Clerk Karen Clemens were also present. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Anderson at 5:40 p.m.
Moved by Cantu; seconded by Babcock; that the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
Moved by Dahl; seconded by Hendricks; that the minutes of the regular meeting minutes of December 12, 2022, be approved as presented. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
Moved by Babcock; seconded by Dahl; that claims in the amount of \$70,681.56 be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
Moved by Hendricks; seconded by Cantu; that the Finance Reports for December, 2022, be approved. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
Carried.
General Manager Quirk is asking a 5% rate increase for video services as a result of negotiations with the video providers. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Babcock; That Resolution # 58 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE VIDEO RATE STRUCTURE EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2023, be approved. Ayes - Dahl, Hendricks, Anderson, Babcock and Cantu. Nays – None. Absent – None. Resolution approved.
General Manager Update:
1.Staff is working on installs.
2.Considering developing an incentive program to encourage existing customers recommending new customers. Testimonials and Face book ads marketing techniques being considered.
Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Babcock; that the meeting adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.
ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk
GRANT ANDERSON, Board Chair
TELECOMMUNICATIONS JANUARY 9, 2023 5:15 P.M.
Visa.Installation Supplies, Office Supplies, Truck Storage \$498.13
Waverly Utilities,Transport \$899.95
New Hampton, City of,Utilities \$721.62
Aureon,Transport Service \$2,685.00
Black Hills Energy,Natural Gas \$425.02

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF LAWLER - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY				
Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024				
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Meeting Date: 2/6/2023 Meeting Time: 07:15 PM Meeting Location: CITY HALL				
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After adoption of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.				
City Website (if available)	City Telephone Number (563) 238-3614			
	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2022 - 2023	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2023 - 2024	Budget Year Proposed Maximum Property Tax 2023 - 2024	Annual % CHG
Regular Taxable Valuation	12,311,413	12,294,307	12,294,307	
Tax Levies:				
Regular General	99,723	99,723	100,613	
Contract for Use of Bridge			0	
Opr & Maint Publicly Owned Transit			0	
Rent, Ins. Maint. Of Non-Owned Civic Ctr.			0	
Opr & Maint of City-Owned Civic Center	1,652	1,652	1,677	
Planning a Sanitary Disposal Project			0	
Liability, Property & Self-Insurance Costs	19,933	19,933	20,000	
Support of Local Emer. Mgmt. Commission			0	
Emergency	3,302	3,302	3,354	
Police & Fire Retirement			0	
FICA & IPERS			3,795	
Other Employee Benefits			2,109	
Total Tax Levy	124,610	124,610	131,548	5.56
Tax Rate	10.12150	10.13559	10.69991	
Explanation of significant increases in the budget: Increase in cost of employee benefits				
If applicable, the above notice also available online at: -				
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NIMECA,Monthly Power Bill, CTS Improvement	\$179,324.89	Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Thermostat	\$124.28
MP Nexlevel LLC,Settlement Agreement.....	\$427,500.00	NAPA Auto Parts,Air Filter, Gasket, Battery Maintainer, Cleaner	\$354.96
USPS,Postage for Utility Bills ..	\$117.03	New Hampton Electric, Inc.,Pay Estimate #10.....	\$12,744.66
NIMECA,NAR Transfer Fee.....	\$18.00	New Hampton Electric, Inc.,Wire for Mini Split	\$334.38
New Hampton, City of,Utility Bill	\$92.65	NHMU,Phone	\$88.52
USPS,Postage for Utility Bills ..	\$140.28	NHMU,Reimburse for Joint Expenses	\$430.61
Boss, Aaliyah,Refund Final Account Balance	\$20.88	New Hampton Tribune,Publications	\$139.88
Miller, Hannah,Refund Final Account Balance	\$70.61	NIMECA,Disability Insurance	\$216.50
Black Hills Energy,Engine Fuel	\$4,566.62	Schueth Ace Hardware,Shelving, Wrench Set, Propane, Torch Head	\$371.62
Madison National Life Insurance Term Life, AD&D, Supplemental Life	\$68.75	Stuart C Irby, Co.,Connectors, Transformer.....	\$1,023.99
Visa,Prime Monthly Fee, Operation Supplies	\$2,972.49	United Rentals,Scissor Lift	\$769.92
Rapid Printers,November Utility Billings	\$242.65	Van Meter,Power Outlets, Plug, Bolt on Hub.....	\$1,730.25
New Hampton IDC,Dues	\$350.00	Wesco Receivables Corp,Pad Mount Transformer.....	\$29,742.61
USPS,Postage for Utility Bills ..	\$129.37	Total	\$797,880.99
Black Hills Energy,Utilities	\$332.94	Less Transfers	\$95,000.00
Quirk, Brian,Reimburse for Tools	\$1,260.00	TOTAL TO BE APPROVED	\$738,880.99
Windstream,Fax Line.....	\$50.15	PAYROLL CHECKS WRITTEN SINCE DECEMBER 12, 2022	
New Horizons- Chamber,Payments on Utility Bills.....	\$441.01	AFLAC,Supplemental Insurance	\$131.62
Amaril Uniform Company,Carhart Vest	\$98.60	Ameritas Life Insurance,Deferred Comp	\$577.81
Reimbursement,Medical Reimbursement	\$991.74	Ameritas Life Insurance,Deferred Comp	\$777.00
Bond Transfer,Transfer	\$59,000.00	EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes	\$3,960.84
Canadian Pacific Railroad Company Annual Rental Fee	\$87.75	EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes	\$5,095.84
CarQuest of New Hampton,Funnel.....	\$5.13	Iowa Dept of Revenue,State Withholding Tax	\$1,842.98
City Laundering Co.,Industrial Laundering Service	\$124.29	Treasurer, State of Iowa,IPERS	\$6,871.00
DGR,SCADA Project, Stolz Substation	\$8,887.50	Wellmark,Health & Dental Insurance	\$7,663.86
Geerts Plumbing & Heating,Engine Repair.....	\$86.67	Total Payroll	\$26,920.95
Harold K Scholz Company,Power Plant SCADA System Improvement.....	\$61,961.61		
Greg Heying,Contractual Labor- Assist with Water Valves	\$250.00	No. 22634 01/19/23	
LS Supply & Rental,Door Opener, Rail Chain, Plywood.....	\$617.20		

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Cedar Falls Utilities,Wholesale Bandwidth	\$1,020.00	New Hampton Tribune,Legal Publication	\$41.60
Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.,Term Life, AD&D, Supplemental Life	\$73.85	NIMECA,Disability Insurance ...	\$78.26
Innovative Systems,eLation SDP One Time Installation Fee	\$2,400.00	Schueth Ace Hardware,Building Supplies, Wire, Flashlight, Organizer.....	\$323.72
Payroll Account,Salaries December 2022	\$19,391.67	Showtime Networks, Inc.,Showtime Package	\$34.04
Cedar Falls Utilities,Shared IPTV Costs June- Nov 2022	\$11,422.55	SmartSource Consulting,Broadband Consulting	\$711.83
BIG Network,Digital Base, Total Base, BTN.....	\$270.18	TOTAL TO BE APPROVED	\$70,681.56
Butler Bremer Communications Voice, Internet Service.....	\$731.07	PAYROLL CHECKS WRITTEN SINCE DECEMBER 12, 2022	
Butler Bremer Communications,Wholesale Voice	\$6,591.17	AFLAC,Supplemental Insurance	\$48.12
CardConnect,Monthly Fee.....	\$664.20	Ameritas Variable Life Insurance Deferred Comp	\$90.00
Cedar Falls Utilities,28E Agreement Headend Equipment.....	\$1,259.88	Ameritas Variable Life Insurance Deferred Comp	\$90.00
FARR Technologies,Professional Fees	\$3,747.50	EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes	\$1,476.10
Goldfield Telecom,ONT, Adaptor	\$2,275.39	EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes	\$1,451.13
High Plains Technology, Inc. Agreement Microsoft 365	\$68.50	Iowa Dept of Revenue,State Withholding Tax	\$595.32
Innovative Systems,Billing Software Monthly Fee	\$3,750.35	Treasurer, State of Iowa,IPERS	\$2,307.84
Iowa One Call,One Calls	\$77.57	Wellmark,Health & Dental Insurance	\$2,885.80
Jendro,Refuse Pickup.....	\$126.71	TOTAL PAYROLL	\$8,944.31
Lyle Kriz,Customer Reimbursement	\$34.24		
M.T.S., Inc.,Window Washing ..	\$7,643.48	No. 22633 01/19/23	
National Cable TV Coop,Video Programming	\$2,663.68		
National Cable TV Coop,Flags, Marking Paint, Cable			

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Mayor Pay- November Meeting		IMWCA	\$63.00
Alliant Energy	\$10,790.41	Audit Adjustment	
Electric Purchase		John Deere Financial.....	\$91.42
Amy Buttolph.....	\$70.00	Supplies, DEF, Power Steering	
Hall Cleaning		Laures, Amy L	\$36.50
AV Express	\$192.08	Mileage	
Fuel		Lance Hangartner Tree Service	\$2,450.00
City of Alta Vista	\$92.28	Tree Removal	
Utilities		Halvorson, Patricia R	\$22.50
Croell.....	\$108.20	Mileage	
Manhole- Concrete		Halvorson, Patricia R	\$124.67
Holthaus; Jarrett	\$576.00	Wages- 11/27-12-10	\$1,129.98
Computer Reimbursement		Dale Buchholtz.....	\$1,129.98
IMWCA	\$954.00	Wages- 11/27-12/10	\$606.71
Work Comp Premium- 6th Installment		Jarrett Holthaus	\$92.35
Innovative Ag Services	\$894.00	Wages- 11/27-12/10	\$92.35
Diesel		Frank Burke	\$46.17
Iowa One Call	\$21.60	Mayor Pay- Dec Meeting	
Locates		Kevin Crooks	\$46.17
Jendro Sanitation	\$1,431.17	Council Pay- December Meeting	
Garbage Pick-up		Richard Heying	\$46.17
Kobliska Law Office	\$187.50	Council Pay- December Meeting	
Legal Fees		Amy Laures	\$46.12
Microbac Laboratories, Inc.	\$247.75	Council Pay- December Meeting	
Wastewater Analysis, Drinking Water Analysis		Dean White	\$46.17
People's Savings Bank	\$120.12	Council Pay- December Meeting	
HSA- December		Dale Buchholtz.....	\$1,129.98
Regional Health Services of Howard County	\$5,000.00	Wages- 12/11-12/24	\$560.63
Ambulance		Jarrett Holthaus	\$1,129.98
Schwickerath PC	\$39.00	Wages- 12/11-12/25	\$785.43
Legal Fees		IPERS	\$1,340.10
Southside Truck Parts Inc	\$1,245.08	Withholdings	
Dump Truck Repair		US Treasury	\$33,943.18
Speicher Excavating Inc	\$425.00	Withholdings	
Postal Road Settlement			
US Postal Service	\$76.00		
Box Fee			
Wagoner Bros Repair.....	\$504.07		
Fire Truck Service			

Library Account	
Flatjord, Christina	\$245.85
Wages11/13-11/26	
Patricia Halvorson.....	\$45.00
Wages11/13-11/27	
Taylor-Griffen, Crystal	\$205.90

Fayette County man faces multiple charges in deadly car crash on 63

A three-month investigation by the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement charges have led a 38-year-old Fayette County man to be charged with homicide by vehicle while operating under the influence and a host of other counts according to a press release from the Sheriff's Office.

Curtis Allen Williams has also been charged with eluding while operating under the influence, operating while under the influence, driving while license revoked, reckless driving, operating a non-registered vehicle, improper rear lamps, failure to maintain control, and speeding 21 or over in a 55 mph zone.

Just after 1 a.m. on Sept. 26, a Chickasaw County deputy initiated a traffic stop in the 2800 block of U.S. Highway 63. According to Chief Deputy Ryan Shawver, the vehicle did not stop after the deputy gave visual and audible signals for the vehicle to stop.

A pursuit was initiated which reached speeds in excess of 105 miles per hour, and when the suspect vehicle failed to navigate a curve at the north bound 196-mile marker exit and lost control, causing the vehicle to roll into the ditch.

An 18-year-old passenger was pronounced dead on the scene by the medical examiner due to injuries sustained in the motor vehicle accident.

Williams was transported by Chickasaw Ambulance Service to Mercy One in New Hampton for his injuries on the night of the incident, and he was served warrants on Jan. 3 while in custody in the Fayette County Jail.

Williams made his initial appearance in court on Jan. 4 and is being held on a \$32,000 cash-only bond.

The Sheriff's Office investigation was assisted by Iowa State Patrol Traffic Investigator, Iowa DCI Criminalistics Laboratory, Iowa Office of the State Medical Examiner and the Chickasaw County Attorney's Office.

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**CHICKASAW COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
MINUTES**
January 12, 2023
The Board convened on Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 10:15AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Engineer Roman Lensing, Veterans Director Keith Elenz, Veterans Board Member Katie Boehmer, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, IT Denny Ungs, Chickasaw Event Center Lynn Schwickerath, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Custodian Dave Gorman
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to approve the agenda for January 12, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman. Motion carried.
Chickasaw Event Center, Lynn Schwickerath

Budget request
Veteran's Director, Keith Elenz
FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Data Processing, Denny Ungs
FY 2023-2024 Budget.
EMS Director, Joel Knutson
FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Conservation Director Chad Humpal
FY 2023-2024 Landfill Budget.
Custodian, Dave Gorman
FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Budget Work Session
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to adjourn at 2:13 PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman. Motion carried.
Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton,
Secretary to the Board

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
MINUTES**
January 9, 2023
The Board convened on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 9:00AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Terry Johnson, Kathy Shekleton, Kelly Terpstra member of media, Sheriff Martin Hemann, Deputy Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Engineer Roman Lensing, EMA Jeff Bernatz, Chickasaw Co Extension Youth Coordinator, Patrick Dirks and Kendra Crooks. Big Four Fair, Dwight Kolthoff, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Recorder, Shirley Troyna, Treasurer, Matt Ysbrand, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Assessor Raymond Armel
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to approve the agenda for January 9, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to approve the meeting minutes from January 3, 2023 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
No Public Comment
Discussed Chickasaw Co Extension Youth Coordinator, Patrick Dirks and Kendra Crooks. Big Four Fair, Dwight Kolthoff FY 2023-2024 Budget
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to receive and file Chickasaw County Conservation Annual Report for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Discussed Chickasaw County Conservation Department updates.
9:54 AM Motion by Suckow, Seconded by Breitbach to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(g) "[t]o avoid disclosure of specific law enforcement matters, such as current or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection." Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
10:32 AM Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to leave closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(g) "[t]o avoid disclosure of specific law enforcement matters, such as current or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection." Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
No action out of close sessions.
Discussed Sheriff Martin Hemann's and Deputy Sheriff Ryan Shawver's FY 2023-2024 Budget
Discussed Engineer, Roman Lensing's department update.
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Recessed 12:08 PM
Resumed 12:20 PM
Discussed Recorder, Shirley Troyna's FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Discussed Treasurer, Matt Ysbrand's FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to approve and authorize chair's signature for a 2023 IT 6 Month Service Agreement for the EMS to be paid

out of the 0004 EMS Fund. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Breitbach, Seconded by Kuhn to pay \$3,500.00 more for the Klockes Emergency Vehicle out of the ARPA Fund 0003, which will be return when we give them a GPC number. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Nays- Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to approve 2023 Chickasaw County EMS Fee Schedule. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach, to RESCIND, December 19, 2023 motion, to approve a down payment to Nagel Signs Inc for decals on ambulance for \$2,239.00 and \$2,239.00 due when completed and use ARPA fund. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach, to approve invoice to On Tracks Signs Inc for decals on ambulance for \$5,400.00 use ARPA fund. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Discussed Director Joel Knutson's EMS FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Discuss there was NO over payment for salaries to Sue Breitbach, Jason Byrnes, and Tim Zoll.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to approve Quarterly Reports for Auditor, Sheriff, Recorder, and Veterans Affairs. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to appoint Liz Zweibohmer to Eastern Iowa Tourism Association Committee. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to appoint Raymond Armel to Land Use Administrator/Flood Plain Manager. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Discussed Assessor, Raymond Armel, Land Use FY 2023-2024 Budget.
Discussed potential sites for new tower site.
Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to pay Motorola Solutions for 5% of the System Contract for \$122,266.54 to close out project. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Breitbach, Seconded by Suckow to approve hiring someone in the Auditor's office by February 6, 2023 for training with retiring claims/payroll clerk. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Nay-Hackman. Motion carried.
Discussed water quality at the Chickasaw Heritage Building Center.
No Committee Assignments
Discussed having all departments meet Thursday, January 12, 2023, at the Community Service.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 2:13 PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman. Motion carried.
Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton,
Secretary to the Board

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Supervisors ready to cut EMA, library requests

Board member says EMA has large enough cash pool to sustain its budget next year

By BOB FENSKE
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors appear to be on the verge of cutting the amount of tax money it's willing to give the Emergency Management Agency Commission after a meeting on Monday in which board members signaled that they would cut a number of requests, including one made by the county's libraries.

Although the EMA Commission sets its own budget, Supervisor Jake Hackman said it is his understanding that the board has the sole authority when it comes to levying tax dollars.

He said he was opposed to giving the commission the \$242,000 in county tax dollars for two reasons — first, he believes the EMA's ending fund balance will be too high and second, he believes that the fact that only the county contributes to EMA is unfair.

"We are the authority of the levy rates," he told his fellow supervisors. "They can ask for it, but we have the final say."

Hackman said that under the budget turned in by EMA Director Jeff Bernatz, who was not at Monday's meeting, the commission would have ended the fiscal year with a \$550,000 cash pool account.

"Would I give them \$50,000? Maybe," he said, "but let's spend down their cash pool ... before you ask taxpayers for \$242,000 or we go back to the way it was [funding EMA on a per capita basis] 13 years ago."

Hackman also argued that he believed the EMA Commission's ending fund balance would be even higher, pointing out that it has spent just 29 percent of its current fiscal year's budget despite the fact that the county is in the seventh month of its fiscal year that ends June 30.

Supervisor Scott Cerwinske agreed, saying that "with the amount of the ending fund balance, we definitely need ... [EMA] to cut [its] request."

Most supervisors said they could live with providing \$50,000 of levy funds to the EMA, but Board Chairman Matt Kuhn, who serves as the county's representative on the EMA commission, said he felt \$100,000 was a better number.

The discussion on EMA's budget request came after board members went through a number of requests it had received, and while they did not always meet the amount requested, they agreed to spend the same amount of money as they did a year ago.

One major exception was the request from the county's libraries.

A year ago, supervisors agreed to contribute a little more than \$124,000 to the county's libraries, and during a meeting last month, the librarians asked for a 4 percent increase to a little more than \$129,300.

Instead, supervisors agreed to give the libraries \$100,000 in the new fiscal year that begins on July 1. That represents a 19.6 percent decrease in county funding for libraries and sparked an almost immediate outcry from the librarians, who have requested to be placed on an agenda as soon as possible.

Hackman did point out by law the county was only required to provide about \$85,000 to the libraries.

And it also appears the Board of Supervisors is leaning toward not paying any of the additional premiums for county workers who select family health insurance plans.

A committee of county employees met this past fall and recommended that the county offer some payments for family plans.

But during Monday's discussion, board members said that they didn't think they could afford to take on the additional dollars so late in the budget process.

"With where we're at now," Supervisor Steve Breitbach said, "it's going to be awfully hard to figure out this budget if we add those costs into it."

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Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: 2/6/2023 **Meeting Time:** 07:10 PM **Meeting Location:** Ionia City Hall, 101 W Iowa Street, Ionia IA 50645

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After adoption of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)

	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2022 - 2023	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2023 - 2024	Budget Year Proposed Maximum Property Tax 2023 - 2024	Annual % CHG
Regular Taxable Valuation	7,033,057	6,839,479	6,839,479	
Tax Levies:				
Regular General	56,968	56,968		55,400
Contract for Use of Bridge				0
Opr & Maint Publicly Owned Transit				0
Rent, Ins. Maint. Of Non-Owned Civ. Ctr.				0
Opr & Maint of City-Owned Civic Center				0
Planning a Sanitary Disposal Project				0
Liability, Property & Self-Insurance Costs	6,000	6,000	6,000	
Support of Local Emer. Mgmt. Commission				0
Emergency	1,899	1,899		1,847
Police & Fire Retirement				0
FICA & IPERS			2,900	
Other Employee Benefits				0
Total Tax Levy	64,867	64,867	66,147	1.97
Tax Rate	9.22316	9.48420	9.67127	

Explanation of significant increases in the budget:
Increase in employees' wages and benefits, operational expenses, public safety, and insurance expense. Decrease in valuations.

If applicable, the above notice also available online at:
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*Total city tax rate will also include voted general fund levy, debt service levy, and capital improvement reserve levy.

****Budget year effective property tax rate is the rate that would be assessed for these levies if the dollars requested is not changed in the coming budget year**

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Chickasaw County

Iowa County Treasurer's Semi-Annual
For 07/01/2022 - 12/31/2022

	Beginning Treasurer's Balance	Total Revenues	Beginning Balance + Total Revenues	Total Expenses	Change in Outstanding	Ending Treasurer's Balance	Outstanding Bank Items	Outstanding Stamped Warrants
0001 - GENERAL BASIC	2,851,109.70	3,047,115.00	5,898,224.70	2,888,388.72	68,383.38	3,078,219.36	96,049.73	0.00
0002 - GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL	792,637.11	829,431.87	1,622,068.98	1,088,857.39	-1,904.96	531,306.63	689.58	0.00
0003 - GENERAL BASIC SUB FUND -ARPA	2,255,137.80	25,513.87	2,280,651.67	262,172.16	-14,216.78	2,004,262.73	783.22	0.00
0004 - EMS DEDICATED	0.00	217,444.82	217,444.82	1,500.00	0.00	215,944.82	0.00	0.00
0005 - LAND ACQUISITION & DEVELOPMENT	28,908.89	5,000.00	33,908.89	0.00	0.00	33,908.89	0.00	0.00
0006 - COUNTY PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS	41,738.63	0.00	41,738.63	0.00	0.00	41,738.63	0.00	0.00
0010 - MH-DD SERVICES FUND	825.26	0.00	825.26	825.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0011 - RURAL SERVICES BASIC	719,658.51	1,212,704.01	1,932,362.52	1,057,286.27	165.26	875,241.51	165.26	0.00
0020 - SECONDARY ROAD FUND	2,727,431.67	3,292,823.82	6,020,255.49	4,138,299.61	58,028.01	1,939,983.89	58,907.42	0.00
0023 - REAP CONSERVATION ENHANCEMENT	68,198.27	10,573.62	78,771.89	0.00	0.00	78,771.89	0.00	0.00
0024 - RECORDER'S SURCHARGE	16,196.81	1,143.72	17,340.53	0.00	0.00	17,340.53	0.00	0.00
0025 - CHICKASAW COUNTY BETTERMENT	181,742.76	40,317.02	222,059.78	107,818.06	0.00	114,241.72	0.00	0.00
0026 - CHICKASAW CO. ECON. DEV.	58,650.42	0.00	58,650.42	6,250.00	0.00	52,400.42	0.00	0.00
0028 - DRUG-K-9 UNIT	7,227.83	773.35	8,001.18	3,078.63	0.00	4,922.55	0.00	0.00
0029 - SHERIFF DARE ACCT.	1,285.08	1.48	1,286.56	0.00	0.00	1,286.56	0.00	0.00
0030 - CHICKASAW CO. PIONEER CEMETERY	38.04	3,560.38	3,598.42	3,525.28	0.00	73.14	0.00	0.00
0031 - AMBULANCE FUND	0.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	36,800.00	0.00	43,200.00	0.00	0.00
0032 - REC ELECTRONIC TRANSFER FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0033 - LANDFILL POSTCLOSURE	507,170.46	12,387.75	519,558.21	6,488.31	982.50	514,052.40	1,132.50	0.00
0034 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-GB	20,000.21	0.00	20,000.21	0.00	0.00	20,000.21	0.00	0.00
0035 - RURAL ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE FUND	825,537.35	161,268.14	986,805.49	322,895.00	0.00	663,910.49	0.00	0.00
0036 - OPIOID SETTLEMENT	0.00	39,704.50	39,704.50	0.00	0.00	39,704.50	0.00	0.00
0037 - BYPASS BASIN	0.00	87,039.88	87,039.88	0.00	0.00	87,039.88	0.00	0.00
0040 - CHICKASAW COUNTY TOURISM	43,082.26	9,218.51	52,300.77	6,859.50	0.00	45,441.27	16.56	0.00
0045 - CO. ATTY FORFEITURE FUND	2,058.97	2.37	2,061.34	0.00	0.00	2,061.34	0.00	0.00
0046 - SHERIFF FORFEITURE FUND	649.08	0.75	649.83	0.00	0.00	649.83	0.00	0.00
0050 - TWIN PONDS NATURE CENTER	28,650.03	281.40	28,931.43	0.00	0.00	28,931.43	0.00	0.00
1500 - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	745,558.85	11,701.20	757,260.05	195,839.45	0.00	561,420.60	0.00	0.00
2019 - COUNTY DEBT SERVICE	32,958.67	279,284.75	312,243.42	26,530.00	0.00	285,713.42	0.00	0.00
3500 - SAUDE FARM FUND	6,724.62	62.65	6,787.27	500.00	0.00	6,287.27	0.00	0.00
3510 - SCHROEDER STEWARDSHIP FUND	4,111.92	4.72	4,116.64	0.00	0.00	4,116.64	0.00	0.00
4000 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMISS	275,460.24	300,072.50	575,532.74	57,829.57	-1,648.63	516,054.54	6,715.38	0.00
4010 - 9-1-1 SURCHARGE FUND	595,611.10	97,884.56	693,495.66	139,824.39	117.43	553,788.70	512.31	0.00
4020 - 28E AGENCY FUND	12,640.82	157,474.91	170,115.73	155,846.20	0.00	14,269.53	0.00	0.00
4100 - ASSESSMENT EXPENSE	514,463.99	284,781.33	799,245.32	193,281.19	5,056.43	611,020.56	5,471.43	0.00

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4101 - SPECIAL APPRAISERS FUND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4140 - AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE	2,135.49	159,955.89	162,091.38	158,810.24	0.00	3,281.14	0.00	0.00
4200 - SCHOOL DISTRICTS	78,945.62	5,872,001.82	5,950,947.44	5,828,913.09	0.00	122,034.35	0.00	0.00
4300 - AREA SCHOOLS	6,932.18	521,237.41	528,169.59	517,237.85	0.00	10,931.74	0.00	0.00
4400 - CORPORATIONS	26,631.88	1,978,795.71	2,005,427.59	1,978,778.59	0.00	26,649.00	0.00	0.00
4406 - NEW HAMPTON TAX INCREMENTS	499.00	894.52	1,393.52	1,393.52	0.00	1,773.19	0.00	0.00
4450 - SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	1,816.30	136,571.51	138,387.81	134,863.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4700 - TOWNSHIPS-CEM, HALL, INS & FIRE	18.39	1,312.84	1,331.23	1,304.31	0.00	26.92	0.00	0.00
4800 - PROPERTY TAX AGENCY-BANGS & TB	667.78	36,871.61	37,539.39	36,505.48	0.00	1,033.91	0.00	0.00
4900 - BENEFITTED FIRE DISTRICTS	233,834.55	1,961,591.43	2,195,425.98	1,596,328.48	0.00	599,097.50	0.00	0.00
5010 - MOTOR VEHICLE FEES	174,456.90	1,096,605.54	1,271,062.44	1,055,148.36	0.00	215,914.08	0.00	0.00
5020 - MOTOR VEHICLE SALES TAX	908.00	5,612.00	6,520.00	5,511.00	0.00	1,009.00	0.00	0.00
5030 - MOTOR VEHICLE POSTAGE	9.00	126.00	135.00	129.00	0.00	6.00	0.00	0.00
5040 - ORGAN TRANSPLANT	11,796.30	21,135.00	32,931.30	32,697.30	0.00	234.00	0.00	0.00
5090 - TAX REDEMPTION-OWNER/LIEN HOLDI	5,438.45	-5,438.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5151 - CURRENT TAX ESCROW ACCOUNT	242.00	1,124.00	1,366.00	1,237.00	0.00	129.00	0.00	0.00
5300 - RECORDER'S ELECTRONIC FEES	151,540.71	473,440.12	624,980.83	474,825.14	0.00	150,155.69	0.00	0.00
8999 - HEALTH-FLEX INS PASS-THRU								
Report Totals:	14,063,968.20	22,620,885.53	36,684,853.73	22,676,709.02	114,962.64	14,123,107.35	170,443.39	0.00

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NH/TV goes 3-3 in medals at Oelwein

Russler wins 26th match in a row to claim first place once again

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Three wrestlers and three medals – that’s a pretty good percentage up on the podium stand.

It was a successful day for Caleb Ciavarelli’s Chickasaws at the Oelwein Invite on Saturday.

Packed into another long, 12-hour day at a weekend tournament were several more top finishes for his New Hampton/Turkey Valley girls wrestling squad that finished 18th in the team standings among 24 teams.

Headlining the talented assemblage of NH/TV wrestlers – once again – was Chickasaw senior 145-pounder Ali Russler. Russler, ranked fourth in her weight class, won her 26th match in a row and pinned her way to another gold medal.

That was just one highlight for the short-handed Chickasaws, which saw freshman Keira Myers (140) come up with a huge pin that helped her place fourth overall. Kaylee Wertz, also a freshman, placed eighth in the 115B weight class to make it a clean sweep for the Chickasaws as far as earning medals.

Too add to NH/TV’s impressive week, the Chickasaws did lose to Waukon (36-18) and North Fayette Valley (30-18) in dual matches last week Thursday, but all three NH wrestlers that competed did not lose a match.

“It was what we wanted to do. Show up – wrestle the matches you can wrestle and win all of them,” said Ciavarelli. “That’s what the girls were able to do that night. It was a pretty successful night overall.”

Russler, now 35-3, is putting the finishing touches on a regular season that could end with some serious hardware once the postseason begins in regional competition at Luther College in Decorah on Friday, Jan. 27.

Russler stuck No. 8 Tayla Stiefel of East Buchanan in each wrestler’s first-place match in just 1:15.

Ciavarelli talked about what makes Russler such a special wrestler out on the mat.

“She knows what her go-to’s are. She’s getting to where she’s good and she’s pulling the trigger,” said Ciavarelli. “When she’s on top she’s got deadly combos where she can break you down and she’s looking for two or three different pinners. Which ever one you give her, she takes and goes. She’s confident in her ability in those positions. She goes and gets it.”

Russler has lost just three times this season – twice to third-rated senior Moorea Brown of Center Point-Urbana. Brown has pinned her on both occasions – early in the season at Waverly-Shell Rock and at Independence. Brown has distinguished herself over the course of the last three seasons as an elite wrestler in Iowa with a third-place state finish last



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New Hampton/Turkey Valley head coach Caleb Ciavarelli (left, above) and assistant Jordan Rommes offer words of encouragement in a match earlier this year. Chickasaw freshman Keira Myers (below) sits in the down position in a match before break.

year, fourth in 2021 and a seventh-place state result the year prior.

Russler’s other defeat – also a pin – came at the hands of Bailey Joiner of Lebanon, Missouri at the Dan Gable Donnybrook in early December. Joiner was the state runner-up in her weight class last year for the perennial-power Yellowjackets. She also finished third at state in 2021 at the Missouri State Tournament.

Russler went 18-6 a year ago and qualified for the IWOCA girls state wrestling tournament in Coralville. She did not place in her first year ever of competing in the sport of wrestling.

Myers, now 23-12, avenged two prior pins earlier this season to No. 7 Andelyn Cabalka of East Buchanan with a pin over the Buccaneer wrestler in 2:54.

“We’ve been in scrambles with her. We ended up getting her in another scramble and came out on top this time,” said Ciavarelli. “That’s another huge win.”

That round-three victory over Cabalka was followed by two losses by fall in the championship bracket.

“Unfortunately, we went to the championship bracket and didn’t do as well as maybe we could have against some girls that we haven’t seen yet,” said Ciavarelli.

Wertz (13-19) pinned Emmah Hoveland of Oelwein in 3:39 to advance to the medal round. NH/TV is scheduled to wrestle No. 3 Waverly-Shell Rock tonight (Thursday) in an NEIC dual and finishes the regular season on Saturday at the Decorah Tournament.

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115 - Wertz (NHTV) won by forfeit.
OELWEIN INVITE TEAM SCORES
Osage 252, East Buchanan 250, Vinton-Shellsburg 223, Anamosa 214, Independence 191, Sumner-Fredericksburg 172, South Winneshiek 154.5, Union 129, Linn-Mar 123, West Fork 111, MFL-Mar-Mac 93, Marion 91, Benton Community 89, North Fayette Valley 88, Waterloo West 86, West Delaware 82, Highland Riverside 66, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 62, Center

Point-Urbana 54, West Branch 54, Clear Lake 51, Oelwein 50, Cedar Rapids Washington 47, Postville 29, Starmont 29.

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

115B - Wertz placed eighth. Round 2 - Angelina Roling (HR) pinned Wertz, 1:52. Round 3 - Alina Ajrulloski (INDE) pinned Wertz, 1:29. Round 4 - Cassidy Boge (OSA) dec. Wertz, 8-4. Round 5 - Wertz pinned Emmah Hoveland (OEL), 3:39. 7th Place Match - Hanna Lacina (WB) won by medical forfeit, Wertz.

140 - Myers placed fourth. Round 1 - Myers pinned Hayley Setrum (LM), 2:29. Round 2 - Myers pinned Andelyn Cabalka (EB), 2:54. Round 3 - Myers won by medical forfeit Emery Hippen (CL). Championship Bracket - Sadie Burke (VS) pinned Myers, 2:58. 3rd Place Match - Emily Watters (ANA) pinned Myers, 3:35.

145 - Russler placed first. Round 1 - Russler pinned Madilyn Colburn (BC), 0:52. Round 2 - Russler pinned Addison Burger (WD), 1:40. Round 3 - Russler pinned Aubrey Chapman (OSA), 0:51. Championship Bracket - Russler pinned Havana Griffith (INDE), 1:11. 1st Place Match - Russler pinned Tayla Stiefel (EB), 1:15.

Chickasaws no match for No. 9 Go-Hawks

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
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Was Friday the 13th a harbinger of bad luck for the New Hampton Chickasaws last week? Maybe so.

But the ninth-ranked Waverly-Shell Rock Go-Hawks had a lot more to do with the Chickasaw girls basketball team’s frustration than any superstitious number falling on a particular calendar date ever could have.

It was that kind of night for NH as it looked to complete its home-and-away series with W-SR last Friday evening in Waverly.

The Go-Hawks owned this one from the get-go and rolled to 71-37 victory in the NEIC matchup.

Buckets weren’t falling for NH as it appeared the rim had a lid on it in the first half. That led to W-SR taking a 36-13 half-time lead and fending off a third-quarter run by the Chickasaws to win by 34 points.

“We were getting everything we wanted. That was the main thing. We cannot look down on this game one minute,” said NH head coach David Leichtman. “When you come into a gym like this and you cannot get the contagious shooting going...it’s got a different feel than just a normal competition gym. It’s a big gym. They play well in it.”

W-SR defeated the Chickasaws in New Hampton back in early December by a score of 52-37.

The rematch was much of the same as the skilled Class 4A squad bothered NH with a physical style of defensive play and consistently found easy shots down low, which opened up the perimeter game as well.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton’s Cora Schwickerath puts up on shot Friday in Waverly.

“They’re able to get a lead and jump on some things,” said Leichtman. “That really makes it difficult with their inside-outside game. Their inside presence is just dominant. It’s going to take them a long ways – I have a feeling.”

W-SR (8-3, 5-1) was led by an excellent interior game and the outside shooting exploits of junior Brenna Bodensteiner. She nailed five 3-pointers and finished with 21 points. Katelyn Eggena, the Go-Hawks’ 6-1 junior forward, led all scorers with 24 points. W-SR’s other junior foward, 6-10 Emma Thompson, wound up with 14

points.

W-SR shot almost 52 percent from the field and held New Hampton’s Carlee Rochford to a season-low 13 points. Rochford – the state’s third-best scorer – shot just 4-20 from the field and did not make a 3-pointer in six attempts.

The game prior to W-SR, NH lit up Kee High with its best offensive output of the season. The Chickasaws bombarded the Hawks, 77-42, behind Rochford’s school-record 39 points.

NH shot just 19 percent from the floor (10-51), but the Chickasaws did hit their free throws. NH was 14-18 from the charity stripe – a 77 percent clip.

The Chickasaws went on a 10-0 run midway through the third period to make it, 48-28. But W-SR went on 7-0 run to lead 55-28 after three periods of play.

“We’re done with them for the year. We have a whole different focus what we want to do,” Leichtman added.

NH (5-7, 2-4) played at Waterloo Columbus on Tuesday.

WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK 71, NEW HAMPTON 37

NH 7 6 15 9 - 37
WSR 17 19 19 16 - 72

Carlee Rochford 4-20 5-8 13, Kandice Eggerichs 2-8 2-2 7, Elaina Rosonke 0-0 0-0 0, Molly Wegner 1-8 2-2 5, Taylor Ries 1-5 2-2 4, Kirsten Reicherts 0-5 3-4 3, Gracie Reicks 1-3 0-0 2, Cora Schwickerath 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 10-51 14-18 37.

3-point field goals - Rochford 0-6, Eggerichs 1-3, Wegner 1-7, Ries 0-1, Reicherts 0-2, Reicks 0-1, Schwickerath 1-2.

Rebounds - Rochford 8, Ries 4, Rosonke 3, Eggerichs 2, Wegner 2, Reicherts 2.

Assists - Ries 3, Rochford 2, Reicherts 1. Steals - Rochford 1, Rosonke 1, Wegner 1, Reicks 1, Schwickerath 1.

Blocks - Rochford 1, Reicherts 1, Schwickerath 1.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Waverly-Shell Rock’s Cole Marsh (left) battles New Hampton’s Cael Laures for the opening tip on Friday.

Chickasaws take on two of Class 3A’s best

NH Boys: FROM 16

entire state in 3-point makes with 131.

Marsh finished with 18 points and W-SR was led in scoring by Luke Frazler, who led all scorers with 21 points. The sophomore hit 4-6 from 3-point land.

As a team, W-SR hit 13-30 from 3-point range.

“As far as Waverly goes, we have to learn from it and move on quickly. We played awful, they played great. They can make you look stupid and that is what they did,” said Rausch. “We didn’t move the ball well and our guys that need to be solid with it, just continue to turn it over way too much – simple as that.”

Ben Gilbert paced NH with 10 points in the W-SR game and he hit 2-3 from long distance. Adam Ewert, Cael Laures and Carter Steinlage all scored six points apiece.

NH trailed Marion, 21-6, after one period of play and 42-20 at the half. NH did out-score the Wolves, 13-8, in the final stanza.

“It was more of the same Saturday against Marion – just flat, not moving and an overall bad performance. These two games are not indicative of the way we’ve played or practiced since break so we just have to get on the horse and get back out there,” said Rausch.

Chickasaw junior forward Nick Brincks scored a career-high 11 points and grabbed eight rebounds against Marion. Steinlage hit for double-dig-

it scoring with 10. Gannon Shekleton – NH’s leading scorer – netted eight points.

Marion’s Brayson Laube led all scorers with 22.

WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK 79, NEW HAMPTON 41

NH 14 6 15 6 - 41
WSR 27 27 16 9 - 79

Ben Gilbert 3-5 2-2 10, Adam Ewert 2-6 0-0 6, Gannon Shekleton 2-8 1-2 5, Carter Steinlage 3-8 0-0 6, Cael Laures 3-4 0-0 6, Hunter Serie 0-2 0-0 0, Evan Knowlton 2-6 0-0 5, Carter Newbrough 0-1 0-0 0, Brady Speltz 0-2 0-0 0, Nick Brincks 0-1 1-1 1, Aiden Roberson 1-2 0-0 2, Carsyn Leistikow 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 16-46 4-5 41.

3-point field goals - Gilbert 2-3, Ewert 2-3, Steinlage 0-2, Serie 0-2, Knowlton 1-3, Newbrough 0-1, Leistikow 0-1.

Rebounds - Steinlage 4, Shekleton 3, Knowlton 3, Brincks 3, Roberson 3, Leistikow 2, Laures 2, Gilbert 2, Serie 1.

Assists - Ewert 3, Serie 1, Knowlton 1, Leistikow 1.

Steals - Laures 2, Leistikow 2, Serie 1, Steinlage 1, Gilbert 1.

Blocks - Roberson 2, Steinlage 1.

MARION 68, NEW HAMPTON 40

NH 6 13 8 13 - 40
MAR 21 21 18 8 - 68

Gilbert 0-2 0-0 0, Ewert 1-3 0-0 3, Shekleton 4-14 0-0 8, Steinlage 4-7 2-2 10, Laures 1-2 0-0 2, Serie 0-1 0-0 0, Knowlton 0-1 0-0 0, Newbrough 0-1 0-0 0, Speltz 1-3 0-0 2, Brincks 4-8 3-4 11, Roberson 0-1 0-0 0, Leistikow 0-2 4-4 4. Totals 15-45 9-10 40.

3-point field goals - Gilbert 0-1, Ewert 1-3, Shekleton 0-3, Steinlage 0-1, Serie 0-1, Knowlton 0-1, Newbrough 0-1.

Rebounds - Brincks 8, Shekleton 5, Steinlage 5, Gilbert 2, Laures 2, Newbrough 1, Ewert 1.

Assists - Ewert 3, Shekleton 1, Steinlage 1, Knowlton 1, Speltz 1, Leistikow 1.

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

New Hampton boys basketball at Fredericksburg vs. Summer-Fred, JV at 6:15 p.m., varsity at 7:45 p.m.

NH/TV boys wrestling vs. Waverly-Shell Rock, JV at 6:15 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton bowling vs. Independence, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley basketball at MFL, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys, varsity girls and varsity boys to follow

New Hampton basketball vs. Waukon, JV girls at 4:15 p.m., JV boys at 5:30, girls varsity at 6:45 and boys varsity at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

NH/TV boys JV wrestling at North Butler tournament, 8:30 a.m.

NH/TV boys varsity wrestling at Denver tournament, 9:30 a.m.

NH/TV girls wrestling at Decorah tournament, 10 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton basketball at South Winneshiek, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5:15, varsity girls at 6:30 and varsity boys at 7:45 p.m.

NH/TV JV wrestling at New Hampton tournament, 5 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls basketball vs. Crestwood, JV at 6:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley boys basketball at Crestwood, JV at 6:15 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Turkey Valley basketball vs. West Central, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys, varsity girls and varsity boys to follow (Parent’s night)

WEDNESDAY

New Hampton bowling vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg at Cadillac Lanes, Waterloo, 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 26

New Hampton basketball at North Fayette Valley, JV girls at 4:15 p.m., JV boys at 5:30, varsity girls at 6:45 and varsity boys at 8 p.m.

NH/TV JV wrestling, NEIC tournament at Waverly-Shell Rock, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 27

NH/TV girls regionals wrestling at Luther College, 11 a.m.

New Hampton basketball at Decorah, JV girls at 4:15 p.m., JV boys at 5:30, varsity girls at 6:45 and varsity boys at 8 p.m.



Chickasaws will head to Luther for girls wrestling regional meet

New Hampton/Turkey Valley's girls wrestling team will take part in the first-ever regional tournaments on Friday, Jan. 27, when the Chickasaws will head to Luther College in Decorah for the 20-team Region 8 tournament.

The top-four placewinners in each weight bracket will advance to the state tournament that will be held Feb. 2-3 at Xtream Arena in Coralville.

This is the first year that the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union is sponsoring girls wrestling, and the organization is holding four "super regionals" on Jan. 27. Two regionals will be held at the Tyson Event Center in Sioux City, Iowa Events Center in Des Moines, Alliant Energy PowerHouse in Cedar Rapids and Luther. Wrestling at all the regional sites will begin at 11 a.m.

BOWLING

COFFEE CUP

STANDINGS	W	L
Mid-Tech Machining	19.5	8.5
Geerts Plumbing	17	11
ExSalont	16	12
Hugeback/Johnson	15.5	12.5
Elma Gals	15	13
Rochford Insurance	14	14
Vern Laures Auto	9	19

JAN. 11 RESULTS

Geerts Plumbing 3, Hugeback/Johnson Funeral 1
Mid-Tech Machining 3, Rochford Insurance 1
ExSalont 3, Elma Gals 1
Vern Laures Auto 4, Dummy 0

LEADERS

High individual games:

Diane Nehl (sub) 257, 246, Lorraine Pullman 209, Kristy Kirkus 209

High individual series:

Nehl 710, Rita Geerts 575, Kirkus 569

Chickasaw Women's Pool

Week 14 Jan. 11

	W	L	GB
Butch's II	60	48	0
Dak's Tap II	58	50	2
Bowlaway	57	51	3
Dak's Tap I	54	54	6
Butch's I	53	55	7
Schucky's	52	56	8
Hide A Way	44	64	16

RESULTS

Dak's Tap II 6, Butch's II 3
Hide A Way 5, Bowlaway

Lanes 4

Butch's I 6, Dak's Tap I 3
Schucky's Bye Week

THREE-GAME WINNERS

Dak's Tap II - Leslie Noehl & Cathy Knutson

High team games: Elma Gals 499, Mid-Tech Machining 460, ExSalont 451

High team series: Mid-Tech Machining 1,315, Rochford Insurance 1,296, ExSalont 1,280

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

Pullman 64

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)

Nehl 113

Karen Schmitt, Secretary

Chickasaw Men's Pool

Week 13 Jan. 9

	W	L
Brite Spot	65	52
Big Willie's	63	54
HereZ 2 U	60	57
Dak's Tap 2	57	60
Dak's Tap 1	54	63
VFW	54	63
Butch's 2	50	67
The Pub	49	59
Butch's I	48	60
Hide-A-Way	44	73
The Office	41	76

RESULTS

Dak's Tap 1 5, The Pub 4
Dak's Tap 2 5, Hide-A-Way 4

VFW 6, HereZ 2 U 3

Brite Spot 8, The Office 1

Big Willie's 7, Butch's 2 2

Butch's 1, bye

THREE-GAME WINNERS

VFW: Darin & Will
Big Willie's: Les & Austin, Cody & Barry
Brite Spot: Justin & Randy, Jones & Marty
Dak's Tap 1: Dak & Tyler



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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Braden McShane makes quick work of Denver's Corbin Hill during the Chickasaws' victory in the finale of the Doc Carr Duals that were held on Saturday.

Chickasaws split at a pair of triangulars

NH/TV improves to 3-1 in NEIC, gets plenty of tough matches against Osage, Minnesota power

By BOB FENSKE

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Hour-plus bus rides and stiff competition pretty much summed up the work week for the New Hampton/Turkey Valley wrestling team.

And coach Matt Paulus said his team got exactly what it wanted at triangulars in La Porte City and Waukon last week as the Chickasaws split triangulars in both towns.

"At this point of the season, we need tough matches," he said. "We're not that far away from conference, districts and hopefully regional duals. Wrestlings the Osages and Caledonias, that's only going to make us better."

And while Osage — as Paulus put it — "were missing a couple of their studs," Tuesday NH/TV gave the top-ranked Green Devils a competitive dual before falling 38-28, and the Chickasaws bounced back with a solid 54-27 victory over Union.

In the Osage meet, wins by Peyton Anderson at 145 and Leander Reicks at 152 gave the Chickasaws an early 6-5 lead, and pins by Isaac Howe (182) and Brayden McShane gave the Chickasaws an 18-17 lead before the Green Devils reeled off five straight wins to seal the dual win.

NH/TV then got pins from Reicks, Karson Kolbet, Quinten Reicks and Howe and took advantage of four Union forfeits to break even on the night.

Two nights later, NH/TV improved

to 3-1 in NEIC duals with a 61-15 victory over Waukon, which for the first time in years fielded a full lineup. Jayden Bucknell, Anderson, Jake Frahm, both Reicks, Kolbet, McShane, Ethan Swehla and Braiden Schaufenbuel all came up with pins against the Indians.

But the nightcap was tough on NH/TV as Caledonia-Houston, the seventh-ranked team in Minnesota's Class A rankings, rolled to a 55-9 victory. McShane, Swehla and Bucknell were the lone Chickasaws to walk off the mat with wins, and McShane's 3-0 win over Ayden Goetzinger was especially impressive as the Warrior senior is ranked second in Minnesota at 195.

OSAGE 38, NH/TV 28

138: Anders Kittelson (O) tech fall Cam McMorris, 23-8. 145: Peyton Anderson (NHTV) dec. Darren Adams, 6-3. 152: Leander Reicks (NHTV) dec. Jake Krebsbach, 9-3. 160: Max Gast (O) pinned Karson Kolbet, 4:00. 170: Nicholas Fox (O) pinned Quinten Reicks, 2:31. 182: Isaac Howe (NHTV) pinned Ledger Nehls, 3:37. 195: Braden McShane (NHTV) pinned Cole Jeffries, 3:45.

220: Tate Williamson (O) dec. Ethan Swehla, 13-7. 285: Mac Muller (O) pinned Kam Josephson, 1:06. 106: Tysen Stangel (O) dec. Landon Bruess, 4-0. 113: Garrett Tusler (O) dec. Braiden Schaufenbuel, 3-2. 120: Blake Fox (O) pinned Alex Philo, 1:23. 126: Hunter Humpal (NHTV) maj. dec. Ty Voigt, 11-2. 132: Jayden Bucknell (NHTV) won by forfeit.

NH/TV 54, UNION 27

152: L. Reicks (NHTV) pinned Brock Bergmeier, 2:41. 160: Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Wyatt Walker, 1:37. 170: Q. Reicks (NHTV) pinned Jay Petersen, 0:19. 182: Howe (NHTV) pinned Hunter Anderson, 195: McShane (NHTV) won by forfeit. 220: Swehla

(NHTV) won by forfeit. 285: Josephson won by forfeit.

106: Brayden Bohnsack (U) pinned Bruess, 1:45. 113: Jace Hedeman (U) pinned Schaufenbuel, 0:50. 120: Kaydin Jones (U) dec. Philo, 7-5. 126: Humpal (NHTV) pinned Mays Weber, 5:10. 132: Bucknell (NHTV) won by forfeit. 138: Keegan Ellsworth (U) pinned Anderson, 5:44. 145: Caleb Olson (U) pinned Jacob Frahm, 1:48.

NH/TV 61, WAUKON 15

132: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Ethan Gibbs, 1:28. 138: Anderson (NHTV) pinned Ryland Egan, 1:57. 145: Frahm (NHTV) pinned Ethan Baker, 5:28. 152: L. Reicks (NHTV) pinned Holten Palmer, 5:34. 160: Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Evan O'Neill, 0:50. 170: Q. Reicks (NHTV) pinned Kaelin Crawford, 3:26. 182: Howe (NHTV) maj. dec. Cullen Dickson, 16-5.

195: McShane (NHTV) pinned Corbyn Palmer, 0:46. 220: Swehla (NHTV) pinned Mason Kelly, 1:12. (W) (Fall 1:12) 285: Isaac Ericson (W) pinned Josephson, 4:24. 106: Bruess (NHTV) dec. Skyler Dugan, 8-2. 113: Schaufenbuel (NHTV) pinned Jayden Mara, 2:50. 120: Max Jones (W) dec. Philo, 7-6. 126: Jakob Regan (W) pinned Humpal, 0:25.

CALEDONIA-HOUSTON 55, NH/TV 9

138: Owen Denstad (C) pinned Anderson, 5:08. 145: Tucker Ginther (C) pinned Frahm, 1:04. 152: Cory Scanlan (C) dec. L. Reicks, 6-0. 160: Simon Seymour (C) maj. dec. Kolbet, 10-1. 170: Bronson Knutson (C) OT dec. Q. Reicks, 10-8. 182: Eric Mauss (C) won by forfeit. 195: McShane (NHTV) dec. Ayden Goetzinger, 3-0.

220: Swehla (NHTV) dec. Tyler Jennings, 2-0. 285: Grant Ness (C) pinned Josephson, 5:29. 106: Aiden Burns (C) dec. Bruess, 4-2. 113: Hunter Frank (C) dec. Schaufenbuel, 8-5. 120: Braxton Lange (C) pinned Philo, 1:44. 126: Tanner Ginther (C) dec. Hunter Humpal, 6-3. 132: Max Schmitz (C) pinned Chase Humpal, 1:00. 132: Bucknell (NHTV) dec. Cooper Allen, 7-4.

Three Chickasaw wrestlers put together perfect days at Doc Carr Duals

DOC CARR DUALS: FROM 16

Lea, Minnesota, went 4-1 while Clarion-Goldfield-Dows was 3-1 and didn't get a chance to pick up that fourth win after Hampton-Dumont-CAL optioned out of its match with the Cowboys because both schools will compete in the North Central Conference tournament this Saturday.

So tournament officials decided not to penalize the Cowboys and instead "threw out" all the HDC matches and based the team standings on dual-meet points. That gave Clarion-Goldfield-Dows, which scored 190 points, won the team title, scoring three more than Albert Lea while the Chickasaws had 176 dual points.

Yet NH/TV coach Matt Paulus was smiling after his team rebounded from a 43-24 loss to Clarion-Goldfield-Dows to reel off four wins and improve to 13-9.

"I thought our guys did a good job bouncing back," Paulus said, "especially with the week we've had. We had two long road trips (to La Porte City and Waukon), and we've wrestled nine duals in five days. That's asking a lot from our guys, and even though I think all of us want that Clarion meet back, we responded, we fought and we got some good wins."

After dropping the dual to the Cowboys, NH/TV responded with a 59-23 win over Waterloo West before taking on Albert Lea in a crazy meet that ended with the Chickasaws' Braiden Schaufenbuel desperately trying to fend off a pin attempt by the Tigers' Dylan Groess. He did and instead of Albert Lea getting six points, it got three points for Groess' 5-0 decision. That tied the meet at 39, and the meet came down to the sixth criteria, the team that forfeits the least, which gave NH/TV the win because the Tigers forfeited to Braden McShane at 195.

"Duals come down to bonus points, and we got some pins we really needed, and obviously we stayed off our back in that last match," Paulus said. "That was a good win for our guys. Albert Lea's always tough, and I think that kick started us a little to finish strong."

And the Chicksaws did just that as they used pins from Jayden Bucknell, Peyton Anderson, Karson Kolbet, Tenge, McShane and Ethan Swehla to roll to a 48-24 win over Hampton-



NH/TV's Braiden Schaufenbuel (left) works to secure a takedown against Waterloo West while in the same meet, the Chickasaws' Jake Frahm (right) fends a takedown attempt at the Doc Carr Duals.

Dumont-CAL.

And in the Doc Carr finale, they got pins from Bucknell, Anderson, Kolbet, Tenge, Isaac Howe, McShane, Landon Bruess and Schaufenbuel as well as decisions from heavyweight Kam Josephson and 126-pound Hunter Humpal.

"That's a good win for Kam," Paulus said, "and I think for him, getting a late start to his season, it's all about confidence. He can wrestle with those big boys; he just has to believe it."

In addition to Tenge, both Kolbet and McShane won 5-0, although McShane's day was a short one. He received forfeits in the first three duals before recording two pins in a combined 45 seconds to finish his day.

"It's hard to get pins," he joked after receiving his third straight forfeit. "I just want to get on the mat."

But teams throughout the 2022-23 season have been wary of McShane, and Paulus said that means practices are especially important to the 195-pound junior.

"Our job is to make sure he's getting the work in that he needs in practice," Paulus said. "That means having us as

coaches push him, make sure he's with the right guys. He wants matches; heck, we want to have him get matches."

For Tenge, the day got progressively easier after he used a late takedown to secure a 10-6 win over Clarion-Goldfield-Dows' Nash Lienemann. His final four matches all ended with pins in the first period.

"Going six minutes out here is a lot different than going six in the room," he said, "so yeah, I definitely didn't want too many of those today. It felt good to be back, though. I mean it felt really good."

Still, Paulus is appreciative of this week's schedule that includes a home meet with Waverly-Shell Rock tonight (Thursday) and the Denver Duals on Saturday.

"This week was a grind, and we're pretty banged up right now," he said. "We need a week like this — one where we can concentrate on working on the things we need to do because after Denver, it's go time with conference right around the corner."

DOC CARR DUALS TEAM RESULTS

ROUND 1: Clarion-Goldfield-Dows 43, NH/TV 24; Albert Lea 42, Denver 36;

Hampton-Dumont-CAL 65, Waterloo West 12.

ROUND 2: NH/TV 59, Waterloo West 23; Albert Lea 52, Hampton-Dumont-CAL 24; Clarion-Goldfield-Dows 53, Denver 13.

ROUND 3: NH/TV 39, Albert Lea 39 (NH/TV wins on criteria, least amount of forfeits); Clarion-Goldfield-Dows 63, Waterloo West 10; Hampton-Dumont-CAL 48, Denver 30.

ROUND 4: NH/TV 48, Hampton-Dumont-CAL 24; Albert Lea 35, Clarion-Goldfield-Dows 31; Denver 57, Waterloo West 15.

ROUND 5: NH/TV 54, Denver 24; Albert Lea 71, Waterloo West 12

NH/TV 43,

CLARION-GOLDFIELD-DOWS 24

106: Ryan Hartwig (C) maj. dec. Landon Bruess, 12-3. 113: Rigo Bobadilla (C) pinned Braiden Schaufenbuel, 5:46. 120: Kolton Hefti (C) pinned Alex Philo, 4:42. 126: Ethan Traub (C) pinned Hunter Humpal, 1:16. 132: Kaden Hanson (C) dec. Jayden Bucknell, 8-4. 138: Peyton Anderson (NHTV) pinned Jackson Beisel, 4:53. 145: Caleb Seaba (C) pinned Jacob Frahm, 4:45.

152: Cale Kirstein (C) pinned Leander Reicks, 3:42. 160: Karson Kolbet (NHTV) dec. Mack Seaba, 5-3. 170: Ben Tenge (NHTV) dec. Nash Lienemann, 10-6. 182: Isaac Howe (NHTV) dec. Mason Allen, 7-5. 195: Ethan Swehla (NHTV) dec. Erick Perez, 2-1. 220: Braden McShane (NHTV) won by forfeit. 285: Ashton Willms (C) pinned Kam Josephson, 0:57.



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NH/TV 59, WATERLOO WEST 23

113: Payton Kacher (W) pinned Schaufenbuel, 3:21. 120: Josiah Wendland (W) pinned Philo, 5:00. 126: Humpal (NHTV) pinned Michael Ellis, 2:15. 132: Bucknell (NHTV) tech. fall Ryan Lindaman, 19-4. 138: Anderson (NHTV) pinned Brady Dean, 1:06. 145: Cooper Paxton (W) tech. fall Frahm, 18-3. 152: Reicks (NHTV) pinned Christian Ramirez, 2:47.

160: Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Michael Dunn, 3:16. 170: Tenge (NHTV) pinned Braden Nystrom, 1:21. 182: Howe (NHTV) won by forfeit. 195: McShane (NHTV) won by forfeit. 220: Swehla (NHTV) won by forfeit. 285: Anell Kudid (W) pinned Josephson, 4:22. 106: Bruess (NHTV) pinned James Knight, 3:34.

NH/TV 39,

ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA 39

120: Aivin Wasmoen (AL) pinned Philo, 0:52. 126: Humpal (NHTV) pinned Adrian Leegaard, 1:56. 132: Logan Davis (AL) pinned Bucknell, 2:14. 138: Nick Korman (AL) pinned Anderson, 1:28. 145: Frahm (NHTV) pinned Jace Houston, 2:49. 152: Reicks (NHTV) OT dec. Mavrick Attig, 5-3. 160: Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Mason Attig, 4:48.

170: Tenge (NHTV) pinned Teaghan Tolbers (AL), 1:40. 182: Kadin Indrelle (AL) pinned Howe, 2:23. 195: McShane (NHTV) won by forfeit. 220: Swehla (NHTV) pinned Evan Schroeder, 1:08. 285: Ben Schwemmler (AL) pinned Josephson, 3:09. 106: Ryan Collins (AL) pinned Bruess, 1:46. 113: Dylan Groess (AL) dec. Schaufenbuel, 5-0.

— NH/TV wins meet on criteria, giving up the least amount of forfeits

NH/TV 48, HAMPTON-DUMONT-CAL 24

126: Brody Strother (H) dec. Humpal, 11-8. 132: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Charlie Showalter (H), 3:50. 138: Anderson (NHTV) pinned Gage Plagge, 1:13. 145: Colin Bird (H) pinned Frahm, 2:44. 152: Taylor Mahler (H) dec. Reicks, 5-2. 160: Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Karter Janssen, 2:37. 170: Tenge (NHTV) pinned Sean Heilskov, 0:33.

182: Howe (NHTV) dec. Cael Burmester, 7-2. 195: McShane (NHTV) pinned Maddon Evans, 0:15. 220: Swehla (NHTV) pinned Hector Bunston, 2:24. 285: Carter Heilskov (H) pinned Josephson, 0:54. 106: Bruess (NHTV) won by forfeit. 113: Schaufenbuel (NHTV) dec. Jaymes Steven, 2-0. 120: Jayson Stevens (H) pinned Philo, 1:56.

NH/TV 54, DENVER 24

132: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Vincent McLaughlin, 3:07. 138: Anderson (NHTV) pinned Gavin McLaughlin (D), 3:17. 145: Boden White (D) pinned Frahm, 1:56. 152: Angello Wittenburg (D) pinned Reicks, 3:05. 160: Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Ethan Krabbenhoft, 2:27. 170: Tenge (NHTV) pinned David Warrior, 0:22. 182: Howe (NHTV) pinned Landon Lühring, 1:04.

195: McShane (NHTV) pinned Corbin Hill, 0:30. 220: Cody Koepke (D) pinned Swehla, 0:42. 285: Josephson (NHTV) dec. Cade Bonnette, 5-2. 106: Bruess (NHTV) pinned Jericho Grimmett, 1:53. 113: Schaufenbuel (NHTV) pinned Jonathan Smetlter, 1:30. 120: Connor McLaughlin (D) pinned Philo, 0:47. 126: Humpal (NHTV) dec. Kale Lyons, 7-4.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley senior center Jacqlyn Schmitt drives in the lane against Tripoli last week Thursday.

Trojans vying for Upper Iowa league title

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lockdown defensive performance that started in the second period and continued for the rest of the evening.

“It’s hard to go from playing a good 2A team like NFV to playing a team like Tripoli – that’s had their struggles,” said Schmitt. “Getting the intensity going right away – we were just not in the right mindset and not ready to go right away. We need to be able to make our own energy right away.”

Turkey Valley forced 27 Tripoli turnovers and came up with 21 steals.

Schmitt has had an excellent run as a three-starter at TV. She is the conference’s third-leading scorer – right at 16 points a game. She also averages 6.6 rebounds and has improved her outside shooting. She has connected on six 3-pointers in 21 tries this winter. She went 0-8 last year from beyond the arc.

“She knows how to use her body. She knows how to shield off defenders,” said Hoffer. “She’s not afraid to attack. She’s just hard-nosed. She’s going to get after it. She’s just that quiet, strong leader that we need.”

Schmitt isn’t perfect, but not too shabby at the charity stripe, either, as she shoots over 68 percent. She needs to make her free throws as team’s often

employ a physical type of play in order to try to slow her down.

“When I’m on the court I like to get defenders off balance,” said Schmitt. “I like to use the fake and go up strong and get the foul. Steve always says make the ref make the decision. That’s what I try to do.”

Schmitt is far from your ordinary, average student athlete – on or off the court.

Far from it, the returning all-district player wants to be a lawyer some day. Before the left-handed standout on the hardwood enters a court room – she’s got a little unfinished business left to take care of before she graduates in May.

“I plan on being a lawyer. I’m going to Iowa State for political science, then I plan to go to law school,” said Schmitt. “I feel pretty confident that’s what I want to do. I’ve been really lucky. I’ve had a great high school experience. I have awesome classmates. I have awesome teammates. I’ve just had a really fun year. It’s going to be sad to move on after Turkey Valley.”

It should be an interesting stretch run for the small-school from Jackson Junction because TV is hoping to not lose another contest on its remaining 2022-2023 schedule. There’s seven games left on the regular season slate.

That lofty goal includes a

rematch at home versus eighth-ranked Central Elkader (12-0, 8-0) – a conference rival that bested the Trojans by 30 points back in December.

“We’re still in the conference race. We’re playing for the post-season. We want to host a couple games here,” said Hoffer. “I think we have a good chance of winning out and finishing 17-4 overall. We’ve got an opportunity, but it comes down to we got to play with the intensity like we did tonight.”

Steve’s daughter, senior guard Aubrey Hoffer, led all scorers in the South Winn (3-10, 3-7) game with 14 points. She knocked down three 3-pointers.

TURKEY VALLEY 49, NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 46

NFV 14 11 9 12 - 46

TV 10 14 13 12 - 49

Alison Leibold 3-6 2-4 9, Brianna Busta 4-12 4-5 12, Aubrey Hoffer 2-8 0-1 4, Mariah Thronson 1-3 0-0 2, Delaney Busta 0-0 0-0 0, Jacqlyn Schmitt 7-13 0-0 15, Addison Steinlage 2-6 1-2 5, Maici Weber 1-5 0-0 2. Totals 20-53 7-12 49.

3-point field goals - Leibold 1-4, B. Busta 0-2, Schmitt 1-1, Steinlage 0-1.

Rebounds - Schmitt 10, B. Busta 5, Steinlage 3, Weber 2, Thronson 1.

Assists - Leibold 2, B. Busta 2, Hoffer 2, Schmitt 1.

Steals - Leibold 4, B. Busta 3, Schmitt 3, Steinlage 2, Hoffer 1, D. Busta 1.

Blocks - Hoffer 4, B. Busta 1, Schmitt 1, Steinlage 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 60, TRIPOLI 13

TRI 7 2 4 0 - 13

TV 14 18 16 12 - 60

Leibold 3-8 0-0 7, B. Busta 3-8 0-0 6, Hoffer 2-8 2-4 6, Thronson 0-4 0-0 0, Schmitt 7-12 7-11 21, Steinlage 2-2 3-7 7, Annika Bodensteiner 0-0 0-0 0, Weber 1-4 1-1 3, Ashley Busta 3-4 0-0 6, Alexis Elsbernd 0-0 0-0 0, Layni Schuchhardt 1-3 0-0 2, Autumn Macklenburg 0-0 0-0 0, D. Busta 0-2 0-0 0, Haylee Hanson 1-2 0-0 2, Jenna Thronson 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 23-59 13-23 60.

3-point field goals - Leibold 1-5, B. Busta 0-1, Hoffer 0-4, Schmitt 0-2, Hanson 0-1.

Rebounds - Steinlage 4, B. Busta 3, Leibold 2, A. Busta 2, Macklenburg 2, Hanson 2, Hoffer 1, Schmitt 1, Weber 1.

Assists - Leibold 5, Schmitt 2, B. Busta 1, Hoffer 1, M. Thronson 1, Steinlage 1, Schuchhardt 1.

Steals - Hoffer 4, Schmitt 4, Steinlage 4, Leibold 2, B. Busta 2, Weber 2, Thronson 1, A. Busta 1, Schuchhardt 1, Macklenburg 1.

Blocks - Schmitt 2.

TURKEY VALLEY 37, SOUTH WINNESHIEK 28

TV 8 10 10 9 - 37

SW 10 3 2 13 - 28

Leibold 0-6 3-8 3, B. Busta 2-11 1-2 5, Hoffer 5-9 1-2 14, Thronson 0-3 0-0 0, Schmitt 3-9 7-8 13, Steinlage 0-4 0-0 0, Weber 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 11-43 12-20 37.

3-point field goals - B. Busta 0-1, Hoffer 3-7, Thronson 0-2, Schmitt 0-4, Steinlage 0-1.

Rebounds - Schmitt 7, B. Busta 6, Steinlage 5, Thronson 4, Leibold 2.

Assists - B. Busta 2, Hoffer 1.

Steals - B. Busta 5, Hoffer 2, Leibold 1, Thronson 1, Schmitt 1, Steinlage 1, Weber 1.

Blocks - Schmitt 2, Steinlage 1, B. Busta 1, Hoffer 1.

TV shuts out Tripoli to end game on 8-0 run

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height on the Panther roster might be a tad conservative – he’s as solid and hard to move as a tree trunk.

But Izer’s unit – still a work in progress – is slowly getting there and the Trojans’ inability to slow Semelroth’s roll was proof alone that Turkey Valley (8-4, 6-3) could be a very dangerous team come tournament time.

“We knew our emphasis going into the game was rebounds and turnovers. We didn’t rebound very well right off the bat, but we kind of cleaned that up weakside,” said TV senior point guard Noah Hanson. “We were in the passing lanes all night. We were trying to make them score outside of their big guy, because we knew that was their main scorer.”

TV limited Semelroth to 11 points and 12 rebounds and played good enough defense to come away with a 49-41 triumph over the squad from the North Division of the Iowa Star Conference.

Semelroth averages a state best 18.4 rebounds a contest – that’s No. 1 in Iowa prep basketball regardless of class. He also pumps in 23 points a game. Holding the powerful post player to just those 11 points was a season-low and it took a collaborative effort by the Trojans to get it done.

“That was our emphasis. We were double-downing on him. He wasn’t going to go off for 30 and 20 on us,” said Izer. “One of the scouting reports I was given on them is they’re just going to throw it up and the big guy’s gonna go get it. I thought we played that well.”

That meant other Tripoli players were going to have to make shots in order to pull out a victory. Some did, others didn’t.

One big Panther make came from senior Tyce Miller. Miller was wide open from the beyond the arc as TV dared him to shoot. He pulled the trigger and hit his mark – a huge shot for Tripoli that tied the contest at 41-41 with exactly four minutes left on the scoreboard clock.

“We were going to make them beat us that way,” said Hanson.

TV would shut out Tripoli the rest of the way as the Trojans finished the contest on an 8-0 run.

The relatively low scoring affair saw Tripoli play a 2-3 zone in the first half, only to switch to man-to-man defense the rest of the way.

The ploy may have slowed down TV’s fastbreak offense, but the Trojans still got the job done. The Trojans connected on 17-22 from the free-throw line – good for over 77 percent.

Hanson scored 11 points and was 4-5 from the field with six assists and five rebounds.

Trojan senior forward Calvin Bodensteiner was 4-7 from the field – canning two 3-pointers – for 11 points as well.

The game’s leading scorer was junior Oliver Schmitt – who hit for 14 points.

“I knew he was going to be the spark,” said Izer. “He brings energy.”

Bodensteiner, Hanson and Schmitt have all been named to the all-state football squad in their careers. It showed on this night as the physical game saw many layups converted in heavy traffic with defenders draped all over the three aforementioned Trojan standouts.

“It was a good team win. We showed lots of poise,” said Schmitt.

TV is looking to clean up its offense game and cut down on turnovers. TV committed 16 versus Tripoli.

“We just gotta catch the ball, see the court, instead of catching the ball and immediately turning around and going,” said Schmitt.

North Fayette Valley (7-4, 7-2) dominated TV, 69-50, at home last week Tuesday. Hanson led TV in scoring with 15 points, six rebounds and three steals. Bodensteiner pumped in 11 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

“We just haven’t been able to play them very well. I don’t know what it is,” said Hanson.

Turkey Valley came up with another big win this past Friday night on the road over South Winneshiek, 63-57. The Trojans were led by junior guard Caleb Kurtenbach’s career-high 24 points. He was on fire this evening as he buried four 3-pointers and was 7-14 from the floor. Hanson added 16 points and was 8-9 from the charity stripe. Bodensteiner continued to show his talent out on the court with 14 points and eight

rebounds.

“We’re pulling the turnovers down every game,” said Izer. “They’re biting us. Believe it or not, we’re pulling them down slowly. We’re getting away from so many bad shots. We missed some 3’s tonight, but I didn’t feel like any of them were forced.”

NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 69, TURKEY VALLEY 50

NFV 11 21 21 16 - 69

TV 11 14 7 18 - 50

Carson Busta 3-7 0-0 6, Noah Hanson 5-8 5-8 15, Calvin Bodensteiner 4-6 2-4 11, Oliver Schmitt 3-6 2-4 8, Chase Hayek 0-4 0-0 0, Caleb Kurtenbach 2-11 1-1 5, John Kruse 1-1 0-0 2, Logan Busta 1-1 0-0 3, Russell Nieman 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 19-45 10-17 50.

3-point field goals - C. Busta 0-1, Hanson 0-2, Bodensteiner 1-2, Schmitt 0-2, Hayek 0-1, Kurtenbach 0-7, L. Busta 1-1.

Rebounds - Bodensteiner 7, Hanson 6, Nieman 2, C. Busta 1, Schmitt 1, Kurtenbach 1.

Assists - C. Busta 3, Hanson 2, Schmitt 1, Hayek 1, Kurtenbach 1, L. Busta 1.

Steals - Kurtenbach 3, Bodensteiner 3, Kurtenbach 3, C. Busta 2, L. Busta 1.

Blocks - Hayek 2, Bodensteiner 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 49, TRIPOLI 41

TRI 11 10 11 9 - 41

TV 11 12 14 12 - 49

Kurtenbach 2-8 2-2 7, C. Busta 2-6 0-0 6, Nieman 0-1 0-0 0, Hanson 4-5 2-2 11, Bodensteiner 4-7 1-2 11, Schmitt 5-13 3-6 14, Hayek 0-3 0-0 0, L. Busta 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 17-44 8-13 49.

3-point field goals - Kurtenbach 1-4, C. Busta 2-5, Nieman 0-1, Hanson 1-1, Bodensteiner 2-5, Schmitt 1-1.

Rebounds - Schmitt 7, Bodensteiner 7, Hanson 6, Kurtenbach 4, C. Busta 4, Hayek 4, L. Busta 1, Nieman 1.

Assists - Hanson 4, C. Busta 2, Kurtenbach 1, Schmitt 1.

Steals - Kurtenbach 5, Schmitt 4, Hanson 2, C. Busta 1, Bodensteiner 1, L. Busta 1.

Blocks - Kurtenbach 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 63, SOUTH WINNESHIEK 57

TV 13 12 16 22 - 63

SW 10 10 17 20 - 57

C. Busta 0-5 1-2 1, Hanson 4-9 8-9 16, Bodensteiner 5-9 2-3 14, Schmitt 3-6 2-2 8, Hayek 1-2 0-0 2, Kurtenbach 7-14 4-6 22, L. Busta 0-0 0-0 0, Nieman 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 20-48 17-22 63.

3-point field goals - C. Busta 0-1, Bodensteiner 2-4, Kurtenbach 4-6, Nieman 0-2.

Rebounds - Bodensteiner 8, Hanson 6, Schmitt 4, Hayek 3, Kurtenbach 2.

Assists - Schmitt 5, Hanson 4, Bodensteiner 2, Hayek 2, C. Busta 1, Kurtenbach 1.

Steals - Hanson 7, Bodensteiner 2, Kurtenbach 2, C. Busta 1, Schmitt 1, Nieman 1.

Blocks - Bodensteiner 1.



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New Hampton’s Jamison Porath watches his ball head down the lane during Tuesday night’s meet.

Chickasaws have ‘down’ meet, fall to Sumner-Fred

Skoda’s Cougars give coach bragging rights over his brother-in-law ... at least for this year

BY DOROTHY HUBER
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Maxine Skoda wasn’t about to show favoritism Tuesday night as New Hampton and Sumner-Fredericksburg squared off at the bowling alley.

Her grandson, Todd Skoda, is the coach for the Cougars, while Todd’s sister Sarah Skoda Aries is married to Chickasaw coach Andy Aries.

Skoda was rooting for both teams, but Sumner-Fred swept the night. The NH boys finished with an overall score of 2,284 while the Cougars scored a 2,593.

Compared to the last meet, New Hampton scores were down, but that’s not something New Hampton bowling coach Andy Aries is overly concerned about.

“This was just a down meet, it happens in every sport,” he said. “It’s just a matter of picking each other up and getting ready for the next one.”

Jamison Porath led the Chickasaws with a 204-150 for a 354. Landon Marr was the only other Chickasaw to hit 300 or above as he finished with a 135-170 for a 305. Chase Gebel was just short of that mark at 295, Jaxson Porath notched a 285 and Jackson Brincks counted a 276. Logan Peterman rounded out the card with a 228.

“I told the kids the beginning of the year you have to take the good with the bad,” Aries noted. “I know we can bowl a lot better than that, and we will shoot for that Friday against Indee.”

The bakers round was also in Sumner-Fred’s favor, 823 to 769. Hunter Jurgensen and Bryce Bergman led all bowlers,

each with an even 400.

Coach Skoda was probably watching both sides. Some of the New Hampton bowlers he coached as the youth director in New Hampton.

“That was kind of our goal years ago, getting these young kids going, that they would have a high school team some day, it happened a little sooner than we thought. There was a lot of parental support, the school was supportive and a lot of interest among the kids.”

With a recent addition, New Hampton’s girls put four girls out on the lanes.

Madison Dreckman was high bowler for the Chickasaws with a 99-119-218 while MaryJane Schmitz scored a 189. Newcomer Sophie Rivera came in at 159 and McKenzie Herzberg 157. The bakers round for the girls was 347, while Sumner-Fred had a 667. Amelia Rader had the high score with a 281.

Facing off against his brother-in-law – Sumner-Fred has had a team for three or four years – Aries said was “interesting. ... He’s got bragging rights this year, we’ll see about next year.”

SUMNER-FRED 2,593, NEW HAMPTON 2,284

Medalists - Hunter Jurgensen 189-211-400, Bryce Bergman 204-196-400, both from S-F

New Hampton scores - Jamison Porath 204-150-354, Landon Marr 135-170-305, Chase Gebel 123-172-295, Jaxson Porath 154-131-285, Jackson Brincks 132-144-276, Logan Peterman 128-100-228.

Girls scores - Medalist - Amelia Rader (S-F) 132-149-281.

New Hampton scores - Madison Dreckman 99-119-218, MaryJane Schmitz 93-96-189, Sophie Rivera 78-81-159, McKenzie Herzberg 70-89-157.



Longtime Bowlaway Lanes owner Maxine Skoda posed with grandson, Sumner-Fredericksburg coach Tony Skoda (right) and New Hampton bowling coach Andy Aries, who is married to Maxine’s granddaughter, during Tuesday’s meet.

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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's senior Ben Tenge (above) works for a takedown against Clarion-Goldfield-Dows' Nash Lienemann while Chickasaw teammate Kam Josephson (below) works to turn Denver's Cade Bonnette in the final meet at the Doc Carr Duals Saturday.

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THE RIGHT RESPONSE

AFTER DROPPING OPENER AT DOC CARR DUALS, NH/TV REELS OFF FOUR STRAIGHT WINS

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It had been a month since Ben Tenge had stepped on the mat and faced someone besides a New Hampton/Turkey Valley teammate.

But if there was any rust on the Chickasaw senior, it came off quickly Saturday.

"I've stayed in shape, kept working out and was definitely ready to go," Tenge said after he went 5-0 at the Doc Carr Duals, NH/TV's annual home tournament in which the Chickasaws rebounded from an opening loss to Clarion-Goldfield-Dows to go 4-1 on the day. "It felt good to be back out there."

He paused and laughed. "I could have lived without a six-minute match, but I need those, too."

Despite its 4-1 mark, New Hampton/Turkey Valley had to settle for third place in the six-team dual tournament. Albert

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Trojans look to finish strong

TV runs league mark to 10-1 after dropping conference opponents

By Kelly Terpstra
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The smile on Jacqlyn Schmitt's face said it all on Thursday night after another impressive performance was put in the books by her Turkey Valley girls basketball squad.

Schmitt's Trojan teammates couldn't help but grin as well after TV came up with one of many inspired victories this winter with a 60-13 domination of Tripoli that included a 24-0 run to break the game wide open.

The Trojans made it back-to-back nights with a "W" after downing rival South Winneshiek on the road last Friday by a score of 37-28. The week was a resounding success as TV (10-4, 10-1) came up with a 49-46 home win over North Fayette Valley on Tuesday to make it a clean sweep this season over the Tigerhawks (6-5, 6-3).

The bottom line – Steve Hoffert's Upper Iowa Conference crew is getting the job done.

"Steve (Hoffert) always says this part of the season is the end of the marathon," said Schmitt. "It's always so hard because we have so many games at the same time."

Schmitt, TV's undersized, yet powerful 5-9 senior center, is the Trojans' architect down on the blocks. She scored 21 points against the one-win Panthers



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley freshman Annika Bodenstener brings the ball up the court in a game against Tripoli last week.

from Tripoli and followed that up with 13 points and seven rebounds against South Winn. Schmitt put up a double-double (15 points, 10 rebounds) versus NFV.

TV started out slow against the underdog Panthers, but

held Tripoli to just six points after leading 14-7 after one period of play.

The Trojans held Tripoli without a point for nine minutes and 41 seconds in a

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley's Oliver Schmitt puts up an inside shot during a non-conference game against Tripoli last week.

Trojan defense turns back Tripoli

Kurtenbach's career night lifts TV over rival South Winneshiek

By Kelly Terpstra
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John Izer didn't really want to discuss what the alternative might have been.

But he knew what could possibly happen to his team if his Turkey Valley Trojans didn't come up with a victory at home versus Tripoli last Thursday night in Jackson Junction.

It was must-win mode for Izer and his Trojan boys hoops squad – a talented bunch that keeps climbing to greater heights in 2022-2023, but

hasn't reached the summit quite yet.

"This one had me involved. In my mind, this had to be a rebound game," said Izer. "The way we laid an egg against North Fayette. If we would have went down two times in a row, I think we'd have been limping into South Winn. Now I've got smiles – we've got energy."

The task at hand versus the Panthers was to slow down the state's leading rebounder – 6-2 senior center Oakley Semelroth. While his listed

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Chickasaw boys run into pair of buzzsaws

New Hampton falls to Go-Hawks in NEIC, can't keep up with Marion at Upper Iowa

By Kelly Terpstra
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Waverly-Shell Rock and Marion.

If there's two tougher opponents to play in the span of a single day – New Hampton basketball coach Ryan Rausch would sure like to hear about it.

His Chickasaws took on two ranked teams in less than 24 hours and the outcomes were, well – not good.

New Hampton (4-7, 2-4) was steamrolled by NEIC front-runner Waverly-Shell Rock, 79-41, on Friday night on the road. The Chickasaws were back at it on Saturday morning against Marion. The Wolves proceeded to down New Hampton in the Winter Classic held at Upper Iowa University, 68-40.

Each Class 3A school is rated by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. W-SR (8-3, 6-0) entered this week's most recent IHSAA rankings at No. 10 in the Class 3A poll. The Wolves from Marion – a state qualifier last winter – are ranked No. 7. Marion is 10-3 overall and is undefeated in the WaMaC East Division at 7-0.

"It's pretty hard to find a tougher 24-hour stretch for a team than playing those two back-to-back," said Rausch.

New Hampton – which plays in Class 2A – has also taken on Class 3A's No. 6 Clear Lake (8-1) as well. The Lions were victorious over NH, 81-56, clear back in early December.

"Between those two teams and Clear Lake – it will help us later, but it is a delicate balance to keep it from damaging morale and confidence," Rausch added.

NH entered these two tough contests having defeated Crestwood (64-52) and Kee High (62-58). The start to the W-SR tussle was not pretty.

The Go-Hawks broke open a close 9-7 lead and proceeded to go on 13-0 run to race out to a 37-14 advantage. Cole Marsh's breakaway dunk with 45 seconds left little doubt as to who was in charge on this night. W-SR led 54-20 at the break and hit nine of its first 12 attempts from beyond the 3-point arc in the first half.

The Go-Hawks lead the

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New Hampton guard Ben Gilbert gets off an off-balanced shot in Friday's game against Waverly-Shell Rock.