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Kuhn stays in chairman’s chair

In a surprise to some, Kuhn will continue to lead Board of Supervisors

By Bob Fenske
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The new Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors began 2023 with a surprise, at least to a number of courthouse observers.

The jolt, at least to some who follow county politics, came when the board, which includes new members Scott Cerwinske and Travis Suckow,

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voted 4-1 to re-elect Matt Kuhn to the chairman position he first took over in 2022.

The one dissenting vote came from Jacob Hackman, who nominated him-

self for the position he held for three years, beginning in 2018.

Kuhn, a Republican, was nominated by Steve Breitbach, the lone Democrat on the board.

“I’m excited to lead the board for another year,” Kuhn said, “and I look forward to doing the best for our county’s residents.”

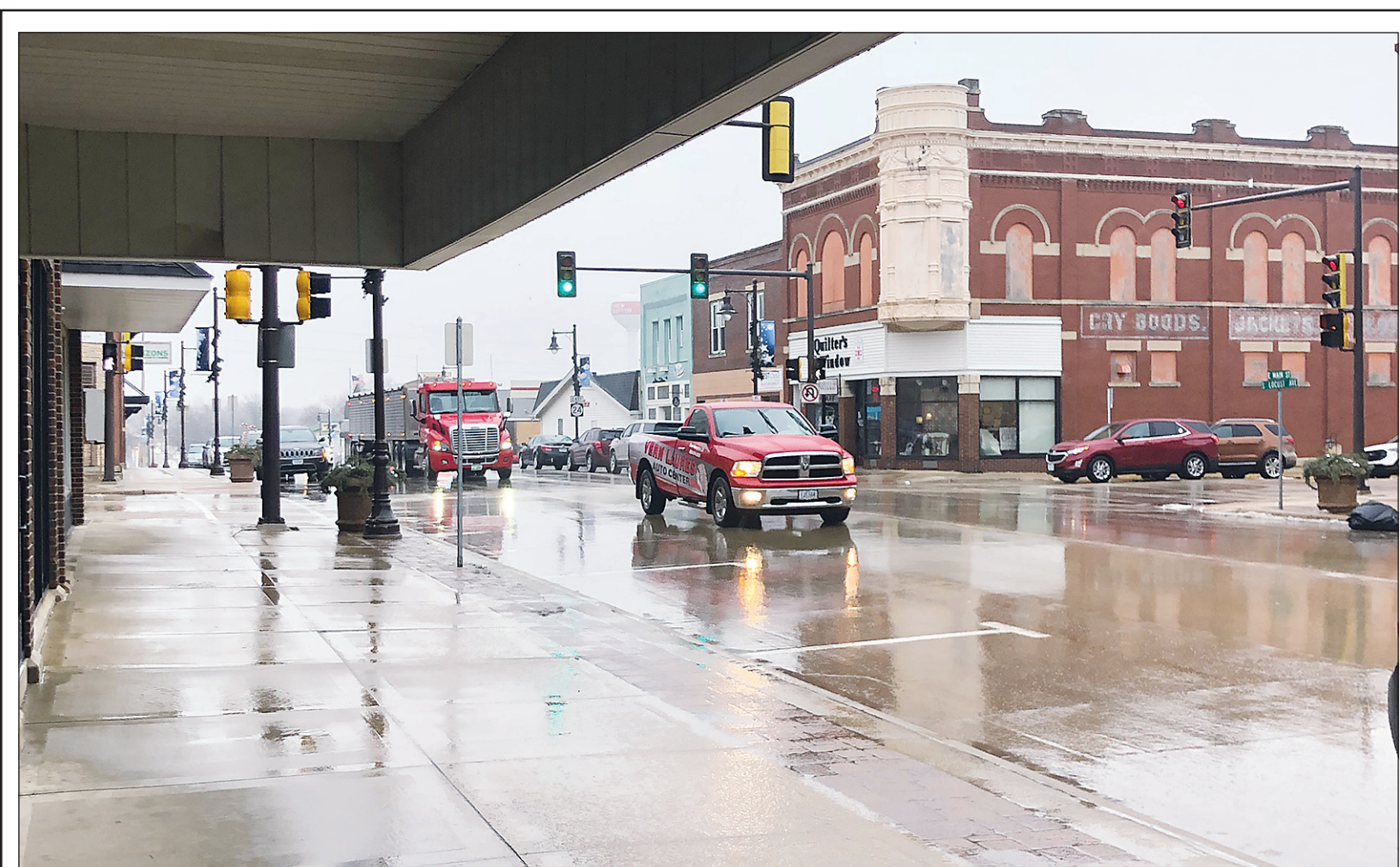
Board members also elected Cerwinske, the lone nominee for the

position, on a 4-1 vote, with Hackman casting the lone vote against the new vice chair, who replaced Tim Zoll on the board.

Kuhn had said last month that he was interested in serving as the board chair for another term, but many observers felt that Hackman would make a run for the position.

With Cerwinske’s win over Zoll in last June’s primary and Suckow’s victory over Jason Byrne in the November election, Hackman

SEE BOARD CHAIR, ?



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Well, that was kind of a dud

Traffic makes its way down a rainy Main Street in New Hampton on Tuesday morning, and the key word there is “rainy” as the latest winter storm turned out to be all talk and little action as Chickasaw County missed out on the snow and ice that plagued areas to the west and to the north. By Tuesday afternoon, the National Weather Service had canceled the winter weather advisory that was supposed to be in effect until 6 p.m.

But Chickasaw County Engineer Roman Lensing did say that county crews did have to go out Tuesday morning because of ice buildup on a number of county blacktops. It was, however, far worse as parts of southwest Minnesota and northwest Iowa received heavy coatings of ice, along with up to eight inches of snow.

Bowlaway Lanes’ owners take over Charles City alley

By Travis Fischer
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The New Year marks a new era for the Comet Bowl in Charles City.

On Monday, Jan. 2, longtime Comet Bowl owners Mark Barry and Peggy Sweet turned the bowling alley over to Josh, Laura, and Chad Novak.

Siblings Barry and Sweet have been operating the Comet Bowl in Charles City for 35 years now, taking on the family business from their parents, who had owned it since 1972.

In 2018, Barry and Sweet decided it was time to look into stepping back and put the bowling alley up on the market. They went a few years without any takers before eventually starting discussions with the Novak family in New Hampton.

Josh and Laura Novak own Bowlaway Lanes in New Hampton and have now taken on Comet Bowl with Josh’s brother, Chad Novak.

“We knew that the Barrys were ready to sell the Comet Bowl and we knew that Josh’s brother (Chad) wanted to go in on it,” said Laura Novak.

The Novak family itself has a long history in

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Iowa farmland prices soar to new heights

Some are concerned high prices will shut young out of the market

By Bob Fenske
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The average price of an acre of Iowa farmland set a record in 2022 in more ways than one.

One year after skyrocketing 29 percent, the average value of an acre of Iowa farmland jumped another 17 percent, or \$1,660, to \$11,411 per acre.

The nominal value of an acre of farmland is again higher this year than at any point since Iowa State University began surveying values in 1941.

When adjusting for inflation, the 2022 average value surpasses the previous inflation-adjusted record value set in 2013.

Chickasaw County’s average price per acre jumped from \$10,003 in 2021 to \$11,627 this past year, a jump of 16.2 percent. That came after land prices in the county jumped from \$7,602 to \$10,003, an increase of 31.6 percent.

The biggest jump in land prices in the Northeast District came from Allmakee and Clayton counties, which both saw 18.8 percent increases while Winneshiek and Fayette counties each saw 17.5 percent increases.

Farmland values in Iowa have increased more than 15 percent in a year a handful of times since 1941, most notably in 2011, when values rose 32.5 percent, and last year, when values rose 29 percent.

Wendong Zhang, an associate professor of economics and faculty affiliate of Center for Agricultural and Rural Development (CARD) at Iowa State University, said that inflation did not play as much of a factor as commodity prices, limited land supply and low interest rates through summer 2022 did this year. Zhang, who is responsible for conducting the annual survey, pointed out that the Federal Reserve has used aggressive interest rate hikes since this summer to curb the problem.

“The Federal Reserve seems to be determined to keep raising interest rates until they get a firm control on inflation,” he said in the release of the annual study last month. “This is a tricky balance because larger and quicker interest rate hikes run

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Treasurer is ready for her next chapter

Breitbach says key to the office’s success in her 20 years has been her great employees

By Bob Fenske
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The countdown clock, if you will, was nearing zero last week for Chickasaw County Treasurer Sue Breitbach, yet in some ways, it was business as usual.

There was a semi-annual report that had to be filed, training to be done, licenses to renew, tags to be sold and maybe even a few taxes to collect.

In her office, Breitbach sat with the man who replaced her this week and went over the

details that had become almost second nature to her over the course of a 20-year career that came to an end on Friday, when work ended and retirement commenced.

“Oh, I’m ready for this new chapter,” she said with a laugh, but for a moment the smile disappeared and Breitbach was lost in deep thought. When she began talking, the smile returned but there was a hint of emotion in her voice.

“It’s been a wonderful 20 years, and you want to know

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Retiring Chickasaw County Treasurer Sue Breitbach (center) and her replacement, Matt Ysbrand (left) pose with department employees (from left) Amy Roeder, Betty Franzen, Rose Lowe, Kayla Flick and Brenda Schnoebelen.

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Busy start for EMS

After a relatively short time to get ambulance service off the ground, it’s a busy first few days

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Girls mat action

NH/TV’s girls wrestling team has two finalists at loaded Osage tourney

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Great tourney

Check out our photo page from the recent Lions youth wrestling tournament

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Supervisors want cities to pay more for law enforcement

Board reaches consensus to raise rate for Nashua and Fredericksburg by 9.2 percent and increase ‘drive-through’ cities by 50 percent

By Bob Fenske
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Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Monday agreed that the Sheriff's Office needs to charge more for providing law enforcement services to the county's municipalities, and they reached a consensus that the county should increase its charges considerably.

Board members agreed that the county should raise the amount it charges per hour to Nashua and Fredericksburg by 9.2 percent for providing coverage to those cities and to increase the costs of "drive-through" services for other cities by 50 percent.

Sheriff Marty Hemann told board members that he would like to get some numbers "out" as cities begin planning their 2023-24 budgets and suggested that the county charge \$63.52 to the two cities that currently have a contract for the sheriff's office to provide a set number of hours that the Sheriff's Office patrols.

During this fiscal year, one that ends on June 30, the Sheriff's Office averages 85 hours per month in Fredericksburg and 240 hours per month in Nashua, the county's second largest city.

But Hemann's proposal to increase the fees to those two cities by 6.8 percent met with opposition from Supervisor Jake Hackman.

"Same issue I had last year, Marty, those are just the direct costs [of a deputy]," he said. "

"What about all the indirect [costs] — county auditor, payroll, sheriff, chief deputy. ... What about all the other things the county does — with administration and payroll and staffing and HR service and all the other stuff?"

Hemann responded that "I guess maybe the cities would say well, we pay taxes too."

Hackman, though, didn't budge. "Then why are they paying anything then? There are additional costs ...



The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors — (from left) Jake Hackman, Scott Cerwinske, Matt Kuhn, Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Travis Suckow and Steve Breitbach — get down to business during their first meeting of the year on Tuesday afternoon.

that's what I'm saying."

County Attorney David Laudner, though, said he worried that the supervisors were setting themselves up for a repeat of last year when rates for the two cities increased by almost 5 percent.

That led the Nashua City Council to propose cutting back the number of hours it would contract for before the county basically said the rate it had agreed to was only "good" if the contract was for the same number of hours the city had contracted for the previous year.

"What happens if this board sets the

rate of X," Laudner said, "and Nashua and Fredericksburg say they're only going to pay a total of Y amount for the year so we'll just take just whatever hours we get divided by that number."

Laudner also wondered how it would affect Hemann's budget.

"It won't," Hackman said. "It will just put more deputies in the [rural areas] of the county. ... Your put more out in the county or you lay them off. ... Everything's going up. Wages and health insurance just keep going up."

Other board members said they felt the county needed at least the \$63.52 per hour, and both Steve Breitbach

and Scott Cerwinske said the rate hike might have to be steeper.

"I'd say we say \$65 and see how much push-back we get," Breitbach said, and the rest of the board agreed.

The Sheriff's Office also provides "drive-through" services for a number of smaller cities in the county and currently charges a "per capita" rate of \$10, based on the 2020 Census.

The issue, Hemann, said is that for a number of years the county did not increase the drive-through rate, and even after increasing the charge a year ago from \$8.56 to \$10 per resident, a 16.8 percent increase, Chickasaw

County charges far less to its cities than other counties do.

He pointed out that Mitchell and Howard counties two years ago were charging \$15 per resident to its smaller cities, and Hackman said "I'd be OK with \$15." The other supervisors didn't take issue with that proposal.

Finally, the county leaders also agreed to raise its dispatching fees for the city of New Hampton from \$15 per resident to \$15.75, an increase of 5 percent.

Hemann said that covers about two-thirds of the salary of one of the county's seven full-time dispatchers.

Chair gets same pay as other supervisors

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

is the longest tenured board member. He is in the middle of his second term on the board while Kuhn is in the middle of his first term.

Hackman served as the board chairman until 2021, when the late Rick Holthaus was elected

to the position less than two months after he was returned to the Board of Supervisors in District 1.

After Holthaus passed away before the first meeting of 2022, Kuhn and Hackman were both nominated by board members and the vote was 2-2 before Hackman said he would with-

draw his nomination.

The position of board chair does have some flexibility on setting the supervisors' agendas, but the reality is that it doesn't come with any extra votes or so-called veto powers. And the board chair also receives the same salary as the rest of the supervisors.

There's a new No. 1 in alcohol sales

Tito's Handmade Vodka tops Black Velvet as Iowans' favorite alcohol

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Move over, Black Velvet. There's a new No. 1 liquor brand in the state, and its name is Tito's.

After holding the spot of top brand of spirits in Iowa for about 10 years, Black Velvet Canadian Whiskey gave way to Tito's Handmade Vodka, which outsold BV by about 40,000 gallons in the fiscal year ending June 30.

Black Velvet took over the No. 2 position, followed by Captain Morgan Original Spiced Rum, Fireball Cinnamon Whiskey and Hawkeye Vodka.

The Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division (ABD) annual report contains a wealth of information about the people of Iowa's choices for what and where they buy their potent potables, sales and profit figures, as well as statistics on enforcement of Iowa's liquor and beer and wine laws.

Iowa is one of 18 states that directly controls the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages. The ABD governs state and federal laws and regulations related to the sale and use of alcohol and tobacco products. Profits made on the sales are used for specific purposes with the rest returned to the Iowa General Fund.

ABD Administrator Stephen Larson said the division generated a record \$150.1 million in revenue that went to the state general fund (\$149 million) and the Iowa Economic Development Authority (\$1 million).

As is typical, the total annual sales of liquor increased in the 2022 fiscal year, although at a slower rate than in previous years.

The ABD reported

\$431,426,201 in liquor sales for the 2022 fiscal year. That's up 3.75 percent from the previous fiscal year's sales of \$415,835,178. But fiscal year 2021 had increased 13.22 percent from the previous year, fiscal year 2020 had increased 8.17 percent and fiscal year 2019 had grown 6.09 percent.

Despite the greater sales, the actual amount of liquor, beer and wine sold in the state were all listed as down from the previous fiscal year, although some of that may be a matter of bookkeeping rather than actual sales.

The report says that total gallons of liquor sold was down, from 6,501,295 gallons in fiscal year 2021 to 6,473,520 gallons in fiscal year 2022, a decrease of a little under half a percentage point.

Beer volume appeared to fall as well, down almost a full quarter from 96,980,405 gallons in fiscal year 2021 to just 72,940,379 gallons in the latest fiscal year, a decline of 24.79 percent, and total wine volume sold appeared to decline even more sharply, from 6,457,789 gallons in fiscal year 2021 to 4,763,223 gallons last fiscal year, a fall of 26.24 percent.

For the beer and wine sales, the amount of gallons sold is calculated by the amount of tax collected. Since the Iowa governor ordered that during the pandemic taxes and tax reporting could be deferred, that resulted in an increase in gallons report in 2021, artificially inflating that fiscal year's numbers.

In Chickasaw County, sales of alcohol were \$611,808, which ranked 79th in the state.

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The ABD annual report also includes statistics on enforcement roles, in alcohol law com-

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Quintet takes the oath!

The five Chickasaw County residents elected to offices in November — (from left), District 2 Supervisor Scott Cerwinski, County Attorney David Laudner, District 5 Supervisor Travis Suckow, County Recorder Shirley Troyna and County Treasurer Matt Ysbrand — take their oaths of office from District Court Judge Patrick Wegman, a former county attorney himself, last Friday morning. Officially, the five began their four-year terms on Tuesday.

Retiring treasurer will miss ‘the people’

RETIREMENT: FROM 1

why? Because I’ve had a great staff, employees who have not only helped me but, more importantly, helped the residents of Chickasaw County. I’ve been blessed with great employees, that’s what gets all of us [elected officials] through the tough days.”

Her career in public service began when she ran for the open treasurer’s position in 2002 after spending a number of years working at Security State Bank, the Rigler family-owned bank that sits across the street from the courthouse.

“Blame the Kennedy boys,” she said when asked how she found her way into politics. “Mike and Kevin came to see me one day and said they thought I should run. I thought about it and threw my name into the ring.”

She won that first election and then claimed re-election victories in 2006, 2010, 2014 and 2018, but as 2021 came to an end, Breitbach knew that she would not seek the

office for a sixth term.

“I wanted to finish out my term,” she said, “but I also knew that it was time. I was ready to retire, and I made up my mind that nothing would change my mind.”

And nothing did.

So for the first time in this century, she wasn’t on the ballot in November when Republican Matt Ysbrand and Democratic Keith Hoey squared off to become the county’s next treasurer.

And for the past couple of weeks, Ysbrand was a constant in what would soon become his office. Although Breitbach was elected to five terms as a Democrat, she doesn’t believe in partisan politics, especially in an office like hers.

“Our job is to follow the [Iowa] Code and do what we’re supposed to do,” she said. “It doesn’t matter if you’re a Democrat or a Republican, we’re here to help all the people of Chickasaw County.”

Ysbrand, meanwhile, has appreciated Breitbach’s goal to make the transition an easy one, or at least as smooth as possible.

“I’m learning a lot, and trust me, Sue would be a great teacher if she wanted a second career,” he said.

That isn’t going to happen.

“I’m retiring,” she said with a laugh, “but I appreciate that Matt wants to be ready to go, too.”

So what she will be doing this week, her first without a job in decades?

Well, she’ll have more time to devote to family — her husband Randy and she have two grown children, Amber and Tony, both chiropractors by the way, and an 8-year-old granddaughter — and she won’t have to worry about meetings, taxes, licenses and, most of all, those pesky software programs that, as she puts it, “are always changing at the worst possible times.”

Still, she’s going to miss some things about coming to the courthouse every day.

“I’ll miss the people more than even I think I will,” she said. “Like I said, it’s because of the employees and the people who come into our office every day that I’ve enjoyed my job. And I’ll miss them.”

Chickasaw County EMS off and busy

Director of county-owned ambulance service says many deserve credit to make deadline

By **BOB FENSKE**
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It was Wednesday, Dec. 28 — 8:33 a.m. to be exact — when Joel Knutson was asked if Chickasaw County EMS was ready to roll in four days.

“We will be,” he said with a smile. “We’re not quite there yet, but trust me, we will be there when we have to be.”

And at midnight that started the year 2023, Chickasaw County EMS proved him right.

“I don’t even know where to start,” he said last week when asked about how Chickasaw County managed to get its ambulance off the ground in such a short amount of time.

“You know, there are so many people who came together to make this happen,” he said. “You have the supervisors and the cities that came together to come up with a plan. You have the EMS Advisory Committee that put in countless hours to make sure we had everything we needed. I’m excited for Sunday, because it’s the start of something new, something we can all be proud of in the county.”

It’s been a ride, that’s for sure, but once it got going, Chickasaw County EMS was busy.

This past Tuesday, a little more than 2 1/2 days into its existence, the service had responded to eight calls — including a transfer to Blank Children’s Hospital in Des Moines.

“We’ve had two rigs out at the same time already,” Knutson said, “and obviously, you hate to use the word exciting when it comes to an ambulance because someone’s hurt, someone’s sick. But a lot of work went into this and we want the people of our county to know we’re there for them.”

About the only thing that still isn’t clear — at least to some in county government — is if Knutson technically has a contract to serve as the director.

After it appeared that the Board of Supervisors and Knutson had reached an agreement on a contract that calls for the longtime critical-care paramedic during a meeting on Dec. 27, Supervisor Jake Hackman during a special meeting on Friday questioned allowing Knutson to receive holiday pay — or at least the amount — if he works on one of the 11 holidays designated by the county.

Supervisors voted 2-1 to approve the contract as Board Chairman Matt Kuhn and outgoing Supervisor Jason Byrne voted to approve the contract while Hackman cast the lone dissenting vote. Supervisor Steve Breitbach abstained from the vote because he’s related to Knutson while Tim Zoll was not at the final meeting of his three-term career.

Hackman on Tuesday argued that the contract needed three votes to be approved, but County Attorney David Laudner disagreed.

“You had a quorum,” he said, “and the majority of the people who cast votes approved it. ... In my opinion, that’s approved.”

But that same day, Knutson was focused on the future of the service that will serve the rural residents of the county and the residents of the cities of New Hampton, Bassett, Fredericksburg, Ionia, Lawler and North Washington.

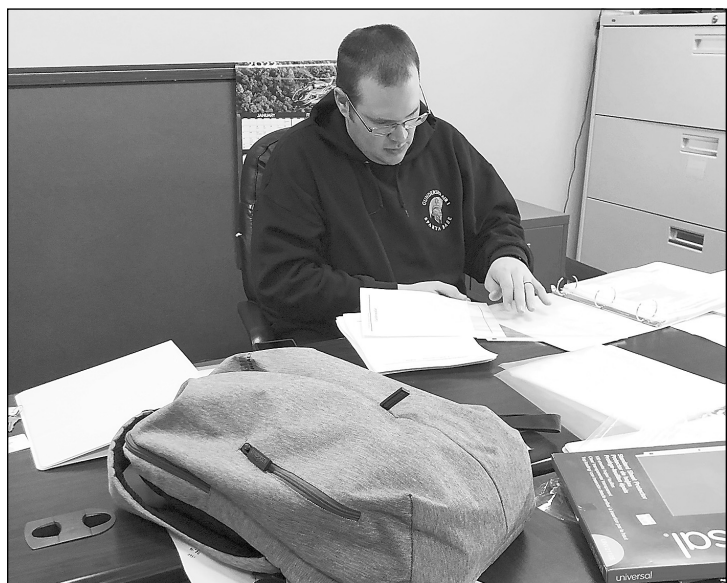
“Things are going well,” he said, “and I think, sure there’s always nervousness about something new, but we’re out of the gate well. ... We have a great group of employees, whose only concern is making sure people are well taken care of.”



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Welcoming a new salon to the chamber

New Horizons-Chamber members, including New Hampton Mayor Bobby Schwickerath, welcome LeAnn Shekleton’s Rustic Edge Salon to the organization during a ribbon cutting that was held on Tuesday. The salon is located at 2125 Newell Ave. and for those who would like to make appointments, they can call 641-300-9180. We’ll have a story on Rustic Edge Salon in a future edition of the Tribune.



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Just four days before Chickasaw County EMS goes into service, its director, Joel Knutson, works on paperwork at his temporary office at the county attorney’s office.

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Strange men and a star

The Wise Men story reminds us of Bethlehem’s treasure

On January 6, the Christian Church celebrates perhaps the most unique event of Jesus’ childhood. Strange men arrived from the east in search of the “king of the Jews.”

These men had some knowledge of constellations. They explained that they set off on their journey, because “we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him” (Matthew 2:2).

They thought they would find this king in Jerusalem, the capital city of Judea.

But they were directed to a town nearby.

About seven hundred

years earlier, the prophet Micah said this about the little town of Bethlehem: “from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days” (Micah 5:2).

When the men left Jerusalem, the star they had been following went before them (what a mystery!) and guided them to the house where Jesus was.

“And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh” (Matthew

2:11).

They wouldn’t worship a little child unless they were convinced He was more than just a child. They believed He was the fulfillment of God’s promise to send a Savior for the whole world of sinners.

The child Jesus did not look like much of a king, but He was the Son of God in the flesh who had come to destroy the devil’s power and make atonement for every sin.

The visit of these men to Jesus is called the “Epiphany,” from a Greek word that means to manifest or make known. Jesus was man-



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ifested to these visitors from the east to show that His gracious reign would be over all people from east to west.

Blessed Epiphany!

So do not fear,
for I am with you;
do not be dismayed,
for I am your God.
I will strengthen you
and help you;
I will uphold you
with my righteous
right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

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Time for New Year's Financial Resolutions

It's that time of year when many of us promise ourselves we'll go to the gym more, or learn a new language, or take up a musical instrument, or any number of other worthy goals. But this year, when making New Year's resolutions, why not also consider some financial ones?

Here are a few to consider:

- *Don't let inflation derail your investment strategy.* As you know, inflation was the big financial story of 2022, hitting a 40-year high. And while it may moderate somewhat this year, it will likely still be higher than what we experienced the past decade or so. Even so, it's a good idea to try not to let today's inflation harm your investment strategy for the future. That happened last year: More than half of American workers either reduced their contributions to their 401(k)s and other retirement plans or stopped contributing completely during the third quarter of 2022, according to a survey by Allianz Life Insurance of North America. Of course, focusing on your cash flow needs today is certainly understandable, but are there other ways you can free up some money, such as possibly lowering your spending, so you can continue contributing to your retirement accounts? It's worth the effort because you could spend two or three decades as a retiree.

- *Control your debts.* Inflation can also be a factor in debt management. For example, your credit card debt could rise due to rising prices and variable credit card interest rate increases. By paying your bill each month, you can avoid the effects of rising interest rates. If you do carry a balance, you might be able to transfer it to a lower-rate card, depending on your credit score. And if you're carrying multiple credit cards, you might benefit by getting a fixed-rate debt consolidation



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loan. In any case, the lower your debt payments, the more you can invest for your long-term goals.

- *Review your investment portfolio.* At least once a year, you should review your investment portfolio to determine if it's still appropriate for your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. But be careful not to make changes just because you feel your recent performance is not what it should have been. When the financial markets are down, as was the case for most of 2022, even quality investments, such as stocks of companies with solid business fundamentals and strong prospects, can see declines in value. But if these investments are still suitable for your portfolio, you may want to keep them.

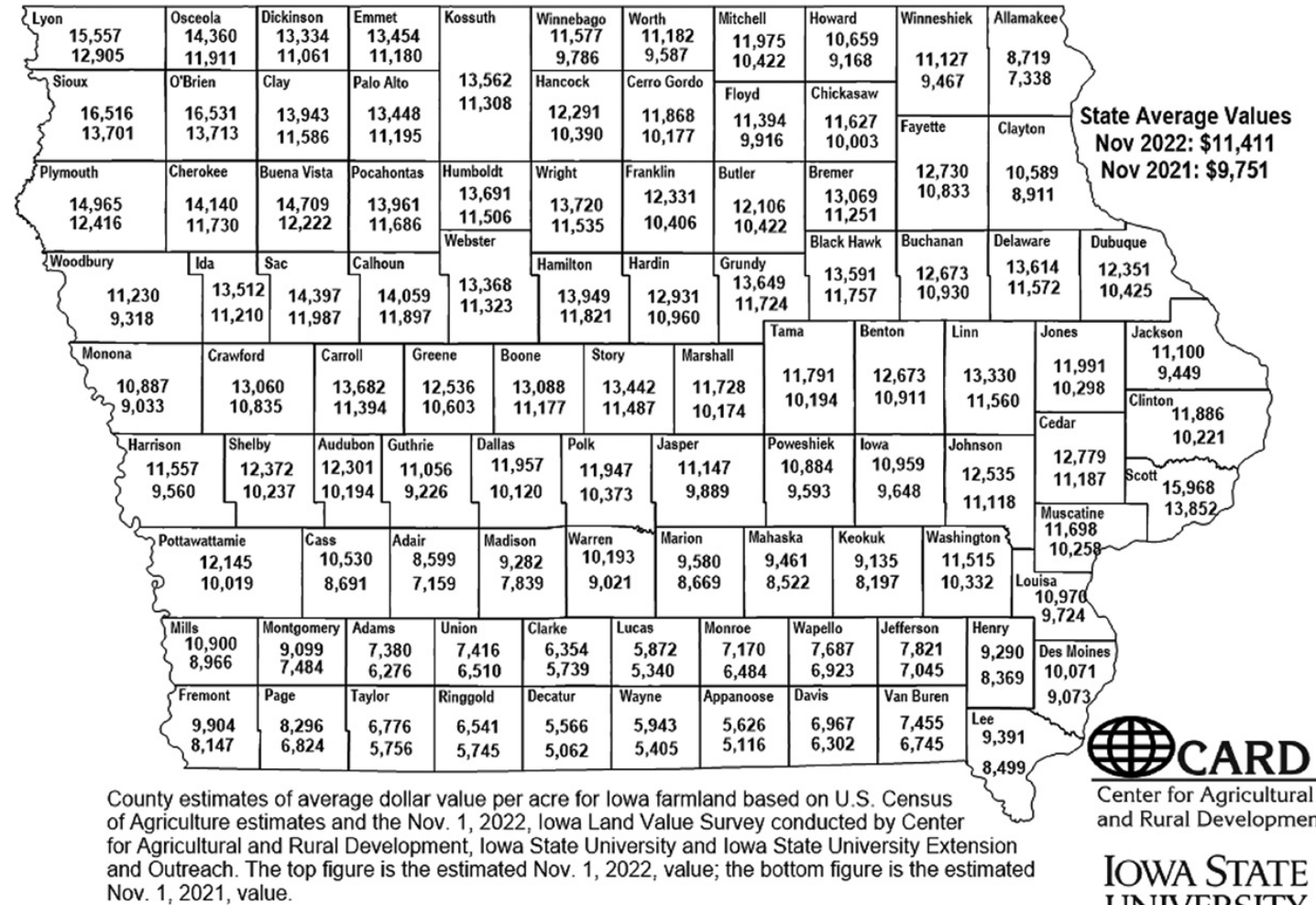
- *Prepare for the unexpected.* If you encountered a large unexpected expense, such as the need for a major home repair, how would you pay for it? If you didn't have the money readily available, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments or retirement accounts. To prevent this, you should build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses — or a year's worth, if you're retired — with the money kept in a low-risk, liquid account.

These resolutions can be useful — so try to put them to work in 2023.

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2022 and 2021 Iowa Average Land Values, by County



Majority feel that land values are 'too high'

FARMLAND VALUES: FROM 1

the risk of slowing down the economy, potentially to a recession."

Zhang said that although higher interest rates put downward pressure on the land market, the effects typically don't show up in land prices for one or two years. While the Federal Reserve has been raising interest rates, Zhang said that 81 percent of Iowa farmland is fully paid for, so the higher interest rates don't always affect farmers' land purchasing decisions.

This is especially true when high inflation makes the real interest rates negative or low, which tends to incentivize more borrowing and investment.

"Farmers have a lot more cash on hand and supply chain issues led to a shortage of equipment," Zhang said, "so the money that farmers normally spend on equipment is now devoted to land."

As for commodity prices, Zhang said they have been strong this year and yields

have been higher than expected, despite the weather challenges that included many parts of Iowa facing drought conditions during the growing season.

"Not only are crop prices much higher, livestock and poultry prices are also significantly higher, translating into higher farm income and profits," Zhang said.

For the first time, this year's survey asked respondents' views of current farmland values. Zhang said that 70 percent of respondents feel that current land values are "too high" or "way too high."

"The higher land values do create an even higher entry barrier for beginning farmers," he said, "and the following increase in cash rents along with higher input costs could negatively affect producers, especially those with a lot of rented ground."

Zhang said that 48 percent of respondents forecasted an increase in farmland values one year from now, while 24 percent forecasted no change and 28 percent expected lower values.

For the second year in a row, all 99 of Iowa's counties showed an increase in land values.

However, for the first time in almost a decade, Scott County in east-central Iowa did not report the highest overall value.

O'Brien County in northwest Iowa topped the list this year, reporting a 20.6 percent increase, or \$2,818 per acre, to \$16,531. Decatur County again reported the lowest value, though land values there increased 10 percent, or \$505 per acre, to \$5,566.

Mills, Fremont, Page and Montgomery counties reported the largest percentage increase, 21.6 percent, while O'Brien County saw the largest dollar increase, \$2,818 per acre.

Wayne, Lucas, Appanoose, and Decatur Counties saw the smallest percentage increase, 10 percent, while Decatur County saw the smallest dollar increase, \$505 per acre.

Bowling family excited to take over Comet Bowl

COMET BOWL: FROM 1

the bowling business and with the Comet Bowl in particular, with several of the Novak's family members working at the Comet Bowl since even before the Barry family purchased it in the 70s.

"It's kind of been their family and ours," said Barry. "The family was an integral part of running the place."

Josh and Chad's uncles have worked at the Comet Bowl and their parents had a bowling alley of their own while they were growing up. Josh himself was a part owner at Mystic Lanes in Mason City before taking on the New Hampton alley.

"Bowling has been in our background all of our life," said Chad Novak, who is eager to go into business with his brother on the family's latest bowling venture.

It has taken some time to work out all the arrangements, but now that the deal is done both parties are looking forward to seeing what the future holds.

"We were always looking for someone that would take the ball that we had and run with it," said Barry. "I think these are the right people to do it."

Outside of a few cosmetic updates, the Novaks don't have any major changes planned for the Comet Bowl in the immediate future. They've talked about adding some new synthetic lanes in the next couple years and adding some "cosmic" black lights, but otherwise they expect business to operate as usual.

"There's a little bit of work

that we need to do, but nothing we can't handle," said Laura Novak. "They've ran a pretty good business for us to come in and take over."

Barry says that he and his sister are looking forward to slowing down to spend more time with children and grandchildren, though he intends to keep working at Comet Lanes for as long as the new owners will have him.

"I am extremely confident and happy. I know that they're the right people to run with it and we're going to do everything we can to make it a positive transition and help them out as much as we can," said Barry. "We think they're the perfect fit for what we were hoping to see after us."



The Novak family, which owns New Hampton's Bowlway Lanes, has a history at the Comet Bowl, the Charles City bowling alley that they took possession of on the first day of the new year.

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Forecast

Thursday: Mostly cloudy with chance of morning snow; high 29, low 12.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 24 and low of 13.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 23 and a low of 12.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 25 and low of 12.

Extended forecast:
A quiet start to the work week with highs near 30 and lows falling into the teens.

Meetings

MONDAY

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

History

- In 1920, the New York Yankees major league baseball club announces its purchase of the heavy-hitting outfielder, and at the time, pitcher George Herman "Babe" Ruth from the Boston Red Sox for the sum of \$125,000.
- In 1933, construction begins on the Golden Gate Bridge, as workers began excavating 3.25 million cubic feet of dirt for the structure's huge anchorages.
- In 1945, Japanese pilots received the first order to become kamikaze, meaning "divine wind" in Japanese, and suicide attacks on American naval forces soon begin in the Pacific.
- In 1972, Richard Nixon signs a bill authorizing \$5.5 million in funding to develop a space shuttle that would become NASA's longest running program.

Birthdays

- King C. Gillette, the inventor of disposal safety razor blades, was born in 1855.
- Konrad Adenauer, the first chancellor of West Germany, was born in 1876.
- January Jones from TV's "Mad Men" turns 45.
- American Oscar-winning actor Bradley Cooper turns 48.
- American actress Diane Keaton turns 77.
- American film star Robert Duvall turns 92.

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Maxine E. Kalvig, 91



Maxine E. Kalvig, age 91 of New Hampton and formerly of Frederika and Ionia, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2022, at New Hampton Nursing and Rehab.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton, with Father Jim Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Visitation will be held at the church from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday.

Burial will take place at St. Mary's Cemetery in New Hampton.

Online condolences may be left at www.conwaymarkham.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Chickasaw County Food Pantry, Northeast Iowa Food Bank and Howard County Community Hospice.

Maxine Elizabeth Kayser was born June 19, 1931, at Independence, to Joe W. and Agatha (Schmitz) Kayser.

She graduated from St. John's High School in Independence. She then attended the Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls and Upper Iowa at Fayette, majoring in elementary teaching. She first taught school in Dewar.

Maxine was married to Erwin H. O'Connell on August 5, 1953, in Independence. Their children are Doris (Will) Hildebrandt, Connie (Charles) Funk, Bill O'Connell and Robert, who died in infancy. They resided in Frederika where she also taught school and worked at the bank. Erwin passed away in 1975.

She met Melvin Kalvig while working at the bank, and they were married on Sept. 25, 1982, in New Hampton. They lived on his farm near Ionia. After Melvin passed away in 2017, Maxine moved to New Hampton.

Maxine enjoyed growing flowers in her yard. She enjoyed camping, fishing, dancing, taking casino bus trips, traveling, crafting, and sewing. She made many quilts and afghans for family members, and she also made and donated many lap robes to nursing homes and the Ronald McDonald House.

Maxine is survived by her three children, her five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren, Matt Hildebrandt, Megan Hildebrandt, Katie (Shawn Muskovin) Funk and Leo, Jennie (Brian Jansen) Funk, Caroline and Rosemary, and Emily (Nick Boysen) Funk, Charlotte and Abby. She is also survived by one sister, Betty Kleitsch; her in-laws, Alvin and Mary O'Connell and Judy and Jim Schwartz; as well as five step-children, Gary (Carol) Kalvig, Sandra (Robert) Walton, Rex (Kathy) Kalvig, Donna (Rick) Kramer, and Rose (Jim) Vowell, 13 step-grandchildren and many step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husbands; son, Robert; parents; brothers, Don Kayser and Anthony Kayser; and one sister, Sister Mary Agatha Kayser.

Betty S. Hosek, 77

Betty S. Hosek, age 77 of Cresco, passed away peacefully on Friday, Dec. 30, 2022, at her daughter's home in Elma.

For further information please refer to Robert Hosek of Cresco. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Property Transfers

Dennis W. Richter and Susan L. Richter to C & J Properties; EX E20' NEW HAMPTON Lot: 4 Block: 34.

Dennis W. Richter and Susan L. Richter to C & J Properties; NEW HAMPTON RAILROAD ADDITION Lot: 11 Block: 22.

Julius R. Drewelow and Julius Drewelow to Rhonda Knight; UNDIVIDED ONE THIRD INTEREST L1 EX PARCEL A NW 18-95-12.

Jason P. Troyna and Lillie Mae Troyna to Dustin T. Burgart and Madelyn A. Lawrence; NEW HAMPTON FAIRVIEW ADDITION Lot: 4 Block: 3.

Seth M. Reicks to Elizabeth M. Markham LIV TR; NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 9 Block: 5 W20' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 8 Block: 5.

Dustin M. Burgart to Garret Wayne Bloomquist; S40' N1/2 NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 12 N48' S1/2 EX E127' NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 12.

Shea M. Gerber to Shea M Gerber and Brookelynn E. Dye; NASHUA CRONINS FIRST ADDITION Lot: 8 S1/2 NASHUA CRONINS FIRST ADDITION Lot: 7.

Glenn Troyna and Jane Troyna to Alexander G. Troyna; PARCEL 2022-11 SW NW 08-95-13.

Reicks View Family Farms LLC to General Holdings LLC; PARCEL 2022-35 SE SE 29-97-13.

Reicks View Family Farms LLC to Ashwood Creek LLC; PARCEL 2022-34 NW SW 29-97-11.

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Dennis W. Richter, Susan L. Richter, Jennifer L. Hovey and Christopher Hovey to C & J Properties, LLC; W4R E16R S8R M10R NE NW 07-95-12.

Dominic S. Samec and Carlie R. Samec to Tanner T. Bentley and Tiffany C. Beaulieu; N1/2 1/4' NEW HAMPTON GURLEYS ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 2 NEW HAMPTON ORIGINAL PLAT (NH) Lot: 5 Block: 21.

Jeff R. Bernatz and Megan Bernatz to Big Squeeze LLC; S86' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 10 Block: 4 S88' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 11 Block: 4.

Thronkson Rentals, LLC to Curtis Nelson; FREDERICKSBURG NO ADDITION Lot: 9 Block: 19.

Wayne Nystel EST and Sandra Brummond ADM to Steven J. Geerts; N70' NEW HAMPTON SHEAKLEYS ADDITION Lot: 13 Block: 3 N70' NEW HAMPTON SHEAKLEYS ADDITION Lot: 14 Block: 3.

Kelly R. Meyer, Kelly Meyer, Jackie P. Meyer and Jackie Meyer to Cody J. Schmitt and Dusty L. Schmitt; PARCEL A SE NE 18-95-14.

Carolyn M.Nelson to Timothy D. Nibert; L10 EX S11R NW SW 20-96-13.

Nicholas J. Hart to Antonio Francisco J. Valdez and Antonio Francisco J. Valdez; NEW HAMPTON PARK ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 1.

Daniel D. Speicher EST and Carol Speicher EX to Jacob L. Flattum and Brooke L. Flattum.; UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST PARCEL A NE SE 34-96-12.

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Earl Duane Katz, 86



Buster Katz

Earl Duane Katz, age 86 of New Hampton, died Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2022, at Regional Health Services in Cresco.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023, at Redeemer Lutheran Church in New Hampton with the Rev. Peter Faugstad officiating.

Chantal Denner, Eddie Denner, Alli Denner, Wesley Christensen, Hope Katz, Owen Katz and Claire Christensen will be serving as pallbearers with Ricki Glenn and James Denner serving as honorary pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continues an hour prior to the service on Thursday at the church.

Earl's life of love and tinkering began on April 20, 1936, when his parents, Edward and Viola Katz, welcomed him into the world at the old St. Joseph's Hospital in New Hampton. He grew up and attended school in New Hampton, where everyone knew him as Buster.

After high school, Buster enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and he served as an aircraft mechanic for four years that included time in Texas and overseas in Japan.

After receiving his honorable discharge, he returned to New Hampton, where he worked as a mechanic and also continued to serve his country in the Air National Guard for many years.

The real mark Buster made in life was with his family. He met Annetta Knutson when he returned home from the service, the two were married on Feb. 20, 1960, beginning a wonderful 60-year marriage that was filled with love and happy memories.

The couple had four children — Brenda, Cindy, Dawn and Joshua — who grew up with a father whose family was his pride and joy. He loved taking the kids hunting, fishing, going to their school events and taking the old retired school bus he turned into a hauler/camper to area tracks. Over the years, he won many races, but the important part of racing to him wasn't taking the checkered flag but it was the fact that it was a family affair. The Katz kids remember fondly the times spent with Dad in the garage, where Buster could fix anything and everything.

He was so mechanically inclined it was crazy. He loved working on his cars, but it didn't really matter what it was. If he could get his hands on it, Buster could fix it.

Buster was a great father, but he was an even better grandfather to Chantal, Eddie, Claire, Alli, Wesley, Hope and Owen. Proud doesn't begin to describe Buster when it came to the super

Robert C. Schwickerath, 96



Robert Schwickerath

Robert C. Schwickerath, age 96 of New Hampton, died Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, at the New Hampton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 6, 2023, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, North Washington, with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, North Washington.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there will be a 7 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continues an hour prior to Mass at the church on Friday.

Robert Carl Schwickerath's remarkable life began on May 2, 1926, when his parents, Alfred and Josephine (Mishak) Schwickerath welcomed him into the world. He grew up on the family farm near North Washington, where he attended school at St. Mary's Catholic School. At a young age, he developed a standout work ethic and a compassion for others that he carried throughout his life.

Robert and Marlys Hentges attended the weekly Saturday night dances in Alta Vista, and one night, a spark was lit and it burned brightly for years. They began dating, fell in love and were married on April 19, 1950, at Immaculate Conception Church in North Washington. The marriage that began that day was one for the ages as Robert and Marlys set a shining example of what a couple should be.

He made a promise to his father-in-law that he would take good care of the Hentges family farm, and he kept that vow — raising crops, chickens, hogs and cattle while also growing seed beans for Pioneer. Robert and Marlys loved to dance, fish, play cards and visit with family and friends.

The couple welcomed three children — Lynn, LuAnn and Lynette — and the three Schwickerath kids had a dad who taught them to always say "please" and "thank you," grew the most beautiful flowers, had a perfectly manicured lawn and could fix just about anything — always ending a project with the declaration "that's good enough for the girls we go with!"

When Marlys was diagnosed with Alzheimer's, Robert took his vows — "in sickness and in health" — to heart. Every day, he would help her with her makeup and jewelry, and right up to Marlys' passing in 2016, there was no doubt who was the love of his life.

Robert had a deep faith, and for many years, he was active in the North Washington Men's Choir and he often ushered at the church, where he was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

He spent more than 25 years working at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home, and the home's owner, Bryan Hugeback, said "he never met a more decent man than Robert Schwickerath."

Then again, Robert was a man who always put oth-

Terrance 'Terry' Balk, 74

Terrance "Terry" Balk, age 74 of Cedar Falls and formerly of Waucoma, died Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, at MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Waucoma with the Rev. Dan Knipper celebrating the Mass.

Josianna Brooks Holmberg, 21

Josianna Brooks Holmberg, age 21 of Waverly, passed away from natural causes on Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022, at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

Toni Pieper, 68

Toni Pieper, age 68 of Charles City, died Friday, Dec. 30, 2022, at her home.

Home & Crematory in New Hampton have been entrusted with arrangements.

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seven grandchildren that God gave him. And even though he was a great grandfather before, when he officially became one to Ricki Joe and James Carol, oh my, how he loved them and the pride it gave him.

Through it all, Annetta was at his side, and they made for a wonderful couple, who always put others before themselves.

Buster had a smile that lit up the world. He loved all God's creatures, which make it so hard for all of those who knew him to say goodbye, but one of his granddaughters may have summed up the news of his death best with these words:

"It feels bittersweet. Selfishly wishing he was still here, but knowing Grandpa is finally with his love brings peace. Rest in paradise Buster Katz."

Amén, and thanks for the memories that you gave all of us throughout a life well-lived and full of love.

Buster is survived by his four children, Brenda (Jeff) Hanna of Clear Lake, Cindy (Kent) Christensen of Keller, Texas, Dawn (Billy) Edgar of Elma, and Joshua (Jessica) Katz of Kernersville, North Carolina; seven grandchildren) Chantal (Mathew Glenn) Denner, Eddie (Emma) Denner, Claire Christensen, Alli Denner, Wesley Christensen, Hope Katz and Owen Katz; and two great-granddaughters, Ricki Joe Glenn and James Carol Denner; one brother, Roger (Karen) Katz of New Hampton; two sisters, Rose Baltes of New Hampton, Robyn (Jason) Profit of New Hampton; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Annetta, in 2020; and two sisters, Connie (Gary) Finnegan and Sally Katz.

ers before himself. He had an "open-door policy" at his home. At his home, the front door was always unlocked at 8 a.m. and people were welcome to come in. Knocking was just an option, and once inside, those who visited the Schwickerath house knew that the open-door policy included the refrigerator.

As good of a father as he was, he was an even better grandfather to his five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren — rarely missing their school activities and sports.

Robert, to put it simply, was a gentlemen's gentleman. Even late in life, he was always apologizing to others who had to do things he could no longer do, but the truth was, they didn't mind because he had helped so many people in his long and fulfilling life. He will be missed, no question about it, but the people whose lives he touched also know that Robert is now reunited with his beloved Marlys and dancing in Heaven.

Survivors include his children, Lynn (Linda) Schwickerath, LuAnn Lechtenberg, both of New Hampton, and Lynette (Randy) Mahowald of Burnsville, Minnesota; five grandchildren, Brad (Toni) Schwickerath, Brent (Jenny) Schwickerath, Derek Lechtenberg, Dustin (Jessica) Lechtenberg, and Darcy (Casey) Stika; great-grandchildren; Jake, Cora, Jamie, Mia and Ada Schwickerath, Levi and Landon Lechtenberg, and Mason, Amelia and Sawyer Stika; one sister, Bernice Felder of New Hampton; and one brother, Cletus (Eleanor) Schwickerath of New Hampton.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marlys on Sept. 2, 2016; son-in-law, Dale Lechtenberg; sisters, Joanna (Elmer) Geerts and Alice (Herb) Carpenter; granddaughter Angela Ann Lechtenberg; and great-grandson, Anthony Robert Schwickerath.

Adala M. Springmier, 97

Adala M. Springmier, age 97 of New Hampton, passed away on Friday, Dec. 30, 2022, at Colonial Manor in Elma.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at Conway-Markham Funeral Home in New Hampton with Mary Ann Diesburg officiating.

There will be a one hour visitation prior to the funeral service on Tuesday.

Burial will be at New Hampton Cemetery following the funeral service.

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

Adala Mae was born May 3, 1925, the daughter of Alfred and Milda (Dahlstrom) Kalvig on the family farm outside of Waverly. As a child, the Kalvig family moved quite often, but in June 1933, they made their home in the Waterloo area where Adala completed her education in the early 1940s.

At the young age of 13, Adala started working a couple weekends and summers at a local gas station and grocery store. During the height of WWII, at age 16, she went to work at Montgomery Wards as a sales clerk and later went to work at John Deere to help the war efforts.

In January 1944, the Kalvig family then moved southwest of New Hampton.

During this time, Adala started going roller skating in Nashua. One evening a boy asked her to skate. She did and



Adala Springmier

he continued asking several times after that until the night when he asked if he could take her home. This is when she met the love of her life, Russell Springmier.

The couple quickly fell in love and were united in marriage on October 25, 1944 in Waterloo. Together, they made their home north of New Hampton where they farmed side by side for 25 years and she also spent some time in the mid 1960s working at Hollies Cafe.

During this time they welcomed their four children — Joanne, Janice, Judy and Lynn.

In 1970, Russell and Adala retired to New Hampton. The move to town wasn't quite enough to keep Adala busy. In 1974, she purchased the A&L Dairy Queen, which she ran until 1981 when her daughter Judy purchased the company from her. Not ready to hang her hat just yet, Adala continued

to work until 2003 when she retired.

Throughout the years, the Springmier family enjoyed many fishing trips and bowling tournaments.

She was a member of at United Methodist Church and the United Church of Christ where she taught Sunday school. She was also a member of the Jacksonville Happy Homemakers Club and an officer for the Women's Bowling Association.

Adala's greatest joy came from raising her children and caring for her family.

Those left to cherish her memories are her children, Janice (Dave) Lemke-Springmier of Douglasville, Georgia, Judy Eichenberger of New Hampton, and Lynn (Karen) Springmier of New Hampton; her grandchildren, James (Bobby) Pietan, Michael Pietan, Julie (Mikell) Wetzell, Dana Eichenberger, Jeremy (Heather) Eichenberger, Adam (Miranda) Eichenberger, Kristy (Josh Bracken) Eichenberger, Erik Springmier and Ryan (Barbara) Springmier; step-grandson Joe (Angela) Lemke; numerous great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and extended family; and great fur babies.

She was preceded in death by, her parents; her husband, daughter, Joanne Roberts; son-in-law, Gerald Eichenberger; great-granddaughter, Emma Eichenberger; and her siblings, Melford Kalvig, Melvin Kalvig, Lester Kalvig, Gloria Ihnen and Leo Kalvig.

Pesticide applicator classes set for this month, March

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Chickasaw County office will be offering three opportunities to attend the Private Pesticide Applicator Continuing Instruction Course (P-CIC), led by Extension Field Agronomist Terry Basol. The first two sessions are scheduled for Jan. 26 at 1:30 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. at the

New Hampton Community Center

The course will be offered again on March 9 at the same location.

Preregistration is required. Walk-ins on the day of the program will only be admitted if room allows. Please preregister by calling Lynn Bruess at 641-394-2174.

Property Transfers

MK Fueltime LLC to MDK, Inc.; N328' PARCEL J IN PARCEL D E1/2 SW 01-95-13.

Janet I. Sheridan to Kevin Wood; LAWLER HIGHLAND ADDITION Lot: 4 Block: 4 W39' LAWLER HIGHLAND ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 4.

Carol Speicher to Jacob L. Flattum and Brooke L. Flattum; UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST PARCEL A SE NE 34-96-12.

Nicole Engelhart to Frank Engelhart; COMM 22R W SE COR SW NE NW 17-94-14.

James Reiff, Louann Reiff and Louann W. Reiff to Brandon Shirk;; S132' W1/2 L54 SW SW 20-97-13.

Natalie F. Keopke to Natlie Faye Koepke TR and Natalie Faye Koepke REV LIV TR; W350' N560' NW NE 33-97-13.

Justin Zeran to Raymer Properties, LLC; W110' LAWLER ORIGINAL PLAT Lot: 13 Block: 11.

Lindloff Properties, LLC to Steven D. Sudol and Tamera L. Sudol; MILLROCK HEIGHTS SUBDIV L4 07-94-14 HARBOR RIDGE SUBDIV L36 IN N1/2 07-94-14 1/7 INTEREST.

Brian John Glaser EST and

Carol Schrage EX to Ervin N. Martin and Ruth A. Martin; W1/2 EX NW SE 23-96-13.

Lindloff Properties, LLC to Thomas W. Laube and Jeannie L. Laube; MILLROCK HEIGHTS SUBDIV L8 N1/2 07-94-14 MILLROCK HEIGHTS SUBDIV E1/2 L9 N1/2 07-94-14 HARBOR RIDGE SUBDIV L32 07-94-14 MILLROCK HEIGHTS SUBDIV 1/7INTEREST PARCEL I 07-94-14.

Quality Homes & Remodeling, LLC to Steven K. Rogers and Pamela J. Rogers; N1/2 FREDERICKSBURG NO ADDITION Lot: 7 Block: 34 N1/2 FREDERICKSBURG NO ADDITION Lot: 8 Block: 34.

Carrie J. Michurski and Tracy Leonard to Jewel M. Gipple and Jesse L. Hurd; COMM 140'E NE COR L1 SE SW 18-94-14 COMM NE COR L1 SE SW 18-94-14.

Lindloff Properties, LLC to Steven J. Fox and Maridee F. Fox; MILLROCK HEIGHTS SUBDIV L7 IN N1/2 07-94-14 HARBOR RIDGE SUBDIV L33 IN N1/2 07-94-14 1/7 INTEREST PARCEL

Legal Notice • Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF RENE REICKS
Deceased, CASE NO. ESPR003087
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Rene Reicks, Deceased, who died on or about November 9, 2022:
You are hereby notified that on December 20, 2022, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.
Notice is hereby 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,

No. 22594
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Legal Notice • Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
GREGORY H. KUENNEN
Deceased,CASE NO. ESPR003086
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Gregory H. Kuennen, Deceased, who died on or about December 12, 2022:
You are hereby notified that on December 20, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Gregory H. Kuennen, deceased, bearing date of March 24, 1990, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Steven G. Kuennen and Earl H. Kuennen have been appointed Co-Executors of the estate.
Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.
Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated: December 20, 2022
Steven G. Kuennen, Co-Executor, 111 Pearl Street, P.O Box 182, Fredericksburg, IA 50630
Earl H. Kuennen, Co-Executor, 2305 300th Street, Fredericksburg, IA 50630
Andrew P. Nelson, ICIS#: AT0005669, Attorney for Co-Executors Meyer, Lorentzen & Nelson, 101 1/2 E. Water Street, P.O Box 126, Decorah, IA 52101
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NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

For the week of Jan. 1 1948 (75 years ago)
• The office of the Firemen's Theatre has been moved into its new location adjacent to the theatre lobby and in the spot which was formerly occupied by the Tunnell Optical Company.

Mr. Harry Herman had the new office completely redecorated and equipped. The office has been changed to provide in addition to the main office, a private office and lavatory.

Entrance to the new office may be made either from Main Street or the theatre foyer. Mr. Herman's office was formerly downstairs in the theatre.

• Interest will be on both sides in the basketball game that will be played by the local high school team and Postville.

The latter team is coached by former New Hampton high school athlete, Francis Babcock, and the local team will no doubt play their best to come out on the winning side.

A large number of fans have made plans to attend.

1973 (50 years ago)
• The New Year was about 56 hours old Wednesday, Jan. 3, when New Hampton's "first baby" of 1973 arrived at 7:52 a.m. on Jan. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Buckendahl of Sumner are parents of the infant, a girl, weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces and measuring 20 1/2 inches long. At press time of the Tribune, the infant had not been named.

The little miss and her parents will be presented with \$200 in First Baby of the Year Bucks by New Hampton Chamber President Michael K. Kennedy.

• The Chick-A-Squares will hold their regular dance on Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Rose Room of St. Joseph's School. Ken Cummings will do the calling.

All square dancers are welcome to attend.

• According to statistics, 1972 was one of the coldest, wettest years on record since the early 1950s.

Rainfall for the year totaled 40.91 inches and snowfall for the year totaled 45.6 inches.

In addition to the high precipitation, there were ten dates in December with nighttime readings in the below zero range.

1998 (25 years ago)
• Katherine Jo Tupper, first baby of the year at New Hampton's St. Joseph Community Hospital, was born

at 5:48 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 1.

The daughter of Larry an Joanne Tupper weighed seven pounds, fourteen ounces and was 20 inches long.

She joins sisters, Jennifer, 7, and Stephanie, 5, and brother Michael, 2, in the Tupper family.

• Two local offices have moved from downtown New Hampton to Linn View Business Complex, 951 North Linn Avenue.

Open for business are the New Hampton Economic Development Office and right next door, Pathways, formerly Northeast Council of Substance Abuse.

Both moves were completed by the end of the year. Also moving their office was the New Horizons-New Hampton Chamber. They are located in the building formerly known as the Gerber Building at 12. North Walnut. The Economic Development and the Chamber offices were formerly located in the Kramer Building on North Locust.

2013 (10 years ago)
• Bob Soukup, former New Hampton Economic Director, lost his 12-year battle with cancer, and died at his Arizona home. He was 69.

Soukup graduated from New Hampton High School in 1961, enlisted in the U.S. Marines and fought in Vietnam. When he left the military, he worked a number of jobs before joining former U.S. Rep. Dave Nagle's staff in 1987.

He would later work for Sen. Tom Harkin and President Bill Clinton appointed him to be the U.S. Department of Agriculture Midwest Regional director.

When the Democrats lost the White House in the 2000 election, he returned home and became the director of New Hampton Economic Development.

Soukup was a lifelong sports fan. Before he departed for his winter home in Arizona this year, the coaches and seniors of this year's wrestling team visited Soukup's home and gave him a new shirt. His wife Betty said, "Bob loved, absolutely loved and adored New Hampton. For him it was the best place in the world, and he would have done anything for it."

• The New Hampton High School gym is going to get a workout on Saturday. New Hampton will host its annual dual team wrestling tournament during the day and a boy-

girl basketball doubleheader in the evening.

The five-team wrestling tournament will start at 10 a.m. and the basketball games between New Hampton and St. Ansgar are set to tip off at 6 p.m.

The custodians will clean off the bleachers after the wrestling tournament but will wait to clean under the bleachers until after the basketball games are complete.

2018 (5 years ago)
• The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors has a new chairman after Jacob Hackman was elected to the post during the first meeting of the year on Tuesday.

Hackman, who began his second year on the board, was elected by a 4-1 vote, with only Supervisor Steve Geerts voting against the new chairman.

Hackman was nominated to the post by Dan Carolan and seconded by David Tilkes before being approved by the full board.

• The Iowa Department of Education's third annual Report Card was made public last month.

All three New Hampton public schools were better than the state average in most categories this past school year, as the high school saw a slight uptick in its overall grade, the middle school saw a slight drop and the elementary saw a big boost in the positive direction.

School ratings are based on data from the 2016-17 and 2015-16 school years. This is the third year the department has issued school report cards.

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Mary Jo Parson	1,440.00
Donna M Geerts	7,560.00
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Lydia J. Klinkel	14,568.63
Debbie L. Finnegan	3,687.50
Bryan A. Angell	14,928.00
Michael D Taylor	516.00
Randy Taylor	900.00
Theodore J Geerts Jr	330.00
Robert Havner	360.00
Derek Day	360.00
Richard A Crooks	90.00
Cole Denner	330.00
Jayson Holthaus	240.00
TOTAL.....	54,610.13

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Turkey Valley Area Calendar of Events

2023

JANUARY



Monday, January 2, 2023

NO SCHOOL
5:00pm Wrestling: Girls High School
Tournament @ Osage High School

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

NO SCHOOL Professional Development
4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. Postville @ Turkey Valley HS
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V. Varsity vs. Postville @ Turkey Valley HS
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Postville @ Turkey Valley HS

Thursday, January 5, 2023

4:00pm Basketball: Varsity JV/V Girls/Boys vs. Riceville @ Turkey Valley HS
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V. Varsity vs. Riceville @ Turkey Valley HS
4:00pm Wrestling: Girls 7th & 8th 7th/8th Girls @ Waverly-Shell Rock HS
6:00pm Wrestling: Girls High School Dual @ New Hampton

Friday, January 6, 2023

TBD Wrestling: Girls High School
Tournament @ Central Elkader HS
4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. Kee High @ Turkey Valley HS
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V./Varsity vs. Kee High @ Turkey Valley
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Kee High @ Turkey Valley HS

Saturday, January 7, 2023

10:00am Wrestling: High School Game vs. Atlantic CSD @ Atlantic HS

Monday, January 9, 2023

4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7th & 8th 7th/8th Girls @ Waukon Middle School
5:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 7th vs. Tripoli @ Tripoli High School
7:00pm School Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. North Fayette Valley @ Turkey Valley
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V. Varsity vs. North Fayette Valley @ Turkey Valley
4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 8th vs. Nashua-Plainfield @ Nashua-Plainfield Husky Wellness Center
5:30pm Wrestling: High School Meet vs. Union @ Union High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. North Fayette Valley @ Turkey Valley

Thursday, January 12, 2023

TBD Wrestling: Girls High School Dual @ Waukon High School
4:00pm Basketball: Varsity JV/V Girls/Boys vs. Tripoli @ Turkey Valley
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V./Varsity vs. Tripoli @ Turkey Valley HS
4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 7th/8th vs. South Winneshiek @ South Winneshiek High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. South Winn @ South Winn HS

Friday, January 13, 2023

4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. South Winneshiek @ South Winn vs. South Winneshiek @ South Winneshiek High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. South Winn @ South Winn HS

Saturday, January 14, 2023

TBD Wrestling: Girls High School
Tournament @ Oelwein High School
10:00am Wrestling: High School Meet vs. New Hampton @ New Hampton

Monday, January 16, 2023

NO SCHOOL Professional Development
4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 7th/8th Boys vs. West Central @ West Central

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V./Varsity vs. Clayton Ridge @ Clayton Ridge High School
4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7th & 8th 7th/8th Girls @ Charles City Middle School
4:45pm Basketball: JV JV Boys Only vs. Clayton Ridge @ Clayton Ridge HS
5:00pm Wrestling: Girls High School
Tournament@ Sumner-Fredericksburg
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Clayton Ridge @ Clayton Ridge HS

Thursday, January 19, 2023

4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 7th/8th vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Turkey Valley High School Highschool Gym
4:30pm Wrestling: Girls 7th & 8th 7th/8th Girls @ Riceville Community HS

Friday, January 20, 2023

4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. MFL MarMac @ MFL MarMac HS
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V. Varsity vs. MFL MarMac @ MFL MarMac High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. MFL MarMac @ MFL MarMac HS

Saturday, January 21, 2023

IHSSA District Large Group Speech @ Decorah HS
9:30am Wrestling: HS Tournament vs. Denver Community Schools @ Denver High School
10:00am Wrestling: Girls HS Tournament @ Decorah High School

Monday, January 23, 2023

4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 7th/8th vs. Clayton Ridge @ Turkey Valley HS
4:30pm Wrestling: Girls 7th & 8th 7th/8th Girls @ Mason City High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity JV/Var. Boys

vs. Cresco @ Crestwood High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Game vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood HS
6:30pm Basketball: Varsity JV/Var. Girls vs. Crestwood @ Turkey Valley HS
7:30pm Basketball: Varsity Game vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood HS

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. West Central @ Turkey Valley HS
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV J.V./Varsity vs. West Central @ Turkey Valley High School
4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th 7th/8th vs. Kee High @ Kee High School
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. West Central @ Turkey Valley HS

Friday, January 27, 2023

TBD Wrestling: Girls High School Regionals TBA vs. TBA @ TBA

Saturday, January 28, 2023

10:00am Wrestling: High School Conference Tournament vs. Waukon @ Waukon High School
1:00pm Basketball: JV JV Boys Only vs. Clayton Ridge @ Turkey Valley HS
2:00pm Basketball: Varsity JV/Var. vs. Clayton Ridge @ Turkey Valley HS
2:30pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Clayton Ridge @ Turkey Valley HS

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. Central Elkader IA @ Turkey Valley
4:00pm Basketball Boys: Boys JV JV/Var vs. Central Elkader @ Turkey Valley
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Central Elkader IA @ Turkey Valley

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
December 27, 2022
The Board convened on Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Zoll, Kuhn, Byrne and Hackman 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, Attorney David Lauder, Terry Johnson, Kathy Shekleton, Bob Fenske, member of media, incoming Supervisors Travis Suckow and Scott Cerwinski, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Sheriff Marty Hemann, Engineer Roman Lensing, Deputy Ryan Shawver, Dispatch Cathy Knutson, Larry Laures, Amy Laures, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Chuck Stanton, Howard County EMT Brady Norman.
Motion by Zoll, seconded by Byrne to approve the agenda for December 27, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn, Zoll, and Hackman. Motion carried.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to approve the meeting minutes

from December 19, 2022 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn, Zoll, and Hackman. Motion carried.
Public Comment
Chickasaw County Attorney, David Lauder gave updates on 910 E Main St and Nashua Tower. Attorney Lauder said thank you for your service and wished the best to Supervisor Jason Byrne and Supervisor Tim Zoll.
Discussed department updates with Engineer Roman Lensing.
Discussed Conservation, Schroeder Stewardship, Weed Commission, REAP, and Saude Farm FY23-24 Budget Request.
Discussed department updates with Conservation Director, Chad Humpal.
Discussed process of appointment to fill the vacancy of Chickasaw County sheriff.
Discussed dispatching and response for the City of Alta Vista.
Discussed EMS department updates. Discussed EMS Director's contract.
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Byrne to acknowledge the part-time hire Tim Shank as an EMT at the wage of \$15.33 effective 1-1-2023, part-time hire Duane Nie as a Driver at the wage of

\$13.00 effective 1-1-2023, part-time hire Jason Rude as an EMR Certified Driver at the wage of \$14.00 effective 1-1-2023 pending background check. Roll Call Aye Byrne, Breitbach, Kuhn, Zoll, Hackman Motion Carried.
Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to Acknowledge the employment status change from part-time to full-time for Brannon Anderson, EMT, at the wage of \$16.32 effective 1-1-2023, the employment status change from part-time to full-time for Brock Schmidt, EMT, at the wage of \$15.33 effective 1-1-2023, the employment status change from part-time to full-time for Carly Clinton, EMT, at the wage of \$15.33 effective 1-1-2023 Roll Call Aye Byrne, Breitbach, Kuhn, Zoll, Hackman Motion Carried.
Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to authorize chair signature on 20/20 FX additional service contract for 100 hours FY2022-2023. Roll Call Aye Byrne, Breitbach, Kuhn, Zoll, Hackman Motion Carried.
Motion by Byrne, seconded by Breitbach to approve RESOLUTION 12-27-22-72
WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Compensation Board meets annually to

recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Sections 331.905 and 331.907, and
WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Compensation Board met on December 7, 2022 and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023:
Elected Official,Current Salary,Proposed Increase,,Recommended Salary
Auditor \$66,377.41
..... \$13,275.48
..... \$79,652.89
County Attorney..... \$111,597.95
..... \$22,319.59
..... \$133,917.54
Recorder \$66,368.94
..... \$13,273.79
..... \$79,642.73
Sheriff \$91,391.12
..... \$18,278.22
..... \$109,669.34
Supervisors \$31,148.30
..... \$6,229.66
..... \$37,377.96
Treasurer \$66,368.94
..... \$13,273.79

..... \$79,642.73
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023:
Elected Official,Current Salary,Proposed Increase,,Recommended Salary
Auditor \$66,377.41
..... \$5,973.97
..... \$72,351.38
County Attorney..... \$111,597.95
..... \$10,043.82
..... \$121,641.77
Recorder \$66,368.94
..... \$5,973.20
..... \$72,342.14
Sheriff \$91,391.12
..... \$8,225.20
..... \$99,616.32
Supervisors..... \$31,148.30
..... \$2,803.35
..... \$33,951.65
Treasurer \$66,368.94
..... \$5,973.20
..... \$72,342.14
Approved on this 27th day of December 2022. VOTE THEREON BEING

AS FOLLOWS: AYES: /ss/ Matt Kuhn, Chairman, Board of Supervisors, Steve Breitbach, Jason Byrne NAYS: Tim Zoll, PRESENT: Jacob Hackman. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Chickasaw County Auditor
Discuss Heritage Building Center.
Discuss Boiard of Supervisors FY2023-2024 budget request.
Discuss Upper Wapsipinicon River Watershed FY2023-2024 budget request.
Committee Assignments
Supervisor Zoll December 19- FMC Landfill
Supervisor Hackman December 28- CSS
Motion by Hackman, seconded by Zoll to adjourn at 12:30PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Hackman, Zoll, Byrne and Kuhn. Motion Passed.
Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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Chickasaw County Claims Listing Payment Dates 12/14/2022 - 12/20/2022
Vendor Name,Payable Description Total Payments
20/20 FX LLC,SRVS SHERIFF'S STATION PORT, RADIO COMM PROJ & DP SRVS 255.00
ABILITY NETWORK INC,PH NOV 22 BILLING SOFTWARE 497.39
AG VANTAGE FS INC ,DIESEL FUEL NASHUA SHOP 1,785.11
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.,NOV22 HR PROF SVCS 1,802.82
ALTA VISTA, CITY OF,AV UTILITIES 63.10
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES,POLICE SUPPLIES & SHRF AUDIO/VISUAL SUPPLS 375.47
ANDORF, PENNY,NOV 22 MLG DEPOSITION 59.00
BENNETT PHARMACY INC,INMATE MEDS 46.53
BLACK HILLS ENERGY,NAT GAS FOR CO BLDGS 8,602.82
BLACKHAWK AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS, INC,FIRE SPRINKLER INSP-CHBC 277.50
BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT COMPANY,CONTROL VALVE-GEN SRVS 43.29
BOEHMER, KATIE,NOV & DEC VA MTGS 50.00
BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS INC ROCK & WINTER SAND 13,549.34
BUCKY'S,DIESEL FUEL-SEC RDS 347.32
BUTLER CO REC,NASHUA SHOP ELECTRICITY & INTERSECTION LIGHTING 127.09
BUTLER COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE,NOV22 ELEC OLD LANDFILL 59.26
BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO.,CO OFFICE PHONES/ INTERNET-NOV 394.79
CARQUEST OF NEW HAMPTON TOOLS, PARTS, ELECTRCL PARTS & EQUIP CNSMBLES-SHERIFF/ SEC RDS 254.53
CEDAR-WAPSI COMMUNICATIONS INC,JAN-JUN 23 LAWLER TOWER LEASE 3,600.00
CENTURY LINK,911 PHONE SRVS DEC 22 33.95
CHEMSEARCH,BOILER CHEMICALS 571.31
CHICKASAW AMBULANCE SRVS

EMS OFFICE EQUIPMENT 800.00
CHICKASAW COUNTY POSTAGE METER,TREAS POSTAGE TO PSTG MACHINE 1,500.00
CINTAS CORPORATION #762,UNIFORMS, EMPLOYEE & BUILDING CONSUMEABLES 1,788.16
CLIA LABORATORY PROGRAM LAB DRAW CERT MEMBERSHIP 180.00
COLLINS, JANE,OCT & NOV 22 MLG 405.63
CONSOLIDATED ENERGY CO FUEL IONIA SHOP 2,169.57
CRANE CREEK CEMETERY,2022 VET GRAVE CARE 225.00
DAVID KRIVACHEK,CLEANING SUPPLS CHBC 283.06
DEERE, MISTIE,NOV 22 MLG 218.13
DES MOINES STAMP MFG CO TREASURER STAMPS 150.65
EJS SUPPLY LLC,BLADES-SEC RDS 5,747.16
ELENZ, KEITH,VA SHIRTS, MLG REIMB FOR TRAINING & VET MTG 418.73
EPIC WEAR,SHERIFF UNIFORM EMBROIDERY 24.00
FAREWAY STORES INC,CONSV PROG & SHERIFF SUPPLS 320.92
FARM & HOME PUBLISHERS,EH AD IN PLAT BOOK 135.00
FARMERS WIN COOPERATIVE FUEL F'BURG SHOP 2,430.80
FAYETTE COUNTY,SHERIFF SERVICE FEES 30.50
FLICK, TAMMY,NOV 22 MLG 290.00
FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF,SEPT/OCT/NOV22 LEACHATE TEST FEES 632.50
FREEBURY, RAYNA,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 141.25
FRIEDRICH, TONI S,2 MEI CALLS & MLG 510.00
GALLS PARENT HOLDINGS LLC SHERIFF UNIFORM 55.75
GLAXO SMITH KLINE,REG FLU VACCINE 889.20
HACH COMPANY,CHEMICALS-CHBC 90.59
HEALTHCARE FIRST,PUB HLTH DEC 22 CLIENT SURVEYS 104.74
HEALTHCARE STRATEGIES INC PH NOV 22 DP SOFTWARE 320.92

1,920.00
HENRY ADKINS & SON INC,2023 UNISYN MACHINE LICENSE FEE/MNTC CNTRCT 11,620.00
HUGEBACK FUNERAL SRVS INC 2- TRANSFER FOR AUTOPSY SRVS & MLG 1,250.00
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,EMPLOYEE CONSUMEABLES - GLOVES, SEC RDS 203.10
IOWA DIV CRIMINAL INVESTIG EMS BACKGROUND CHECKS-NEW EMPLOYEES 150.00
IOWA DNR,NOV 22 WELL PERMITS-ENVIRON HLTH 75.00
IOWA DNR,STORM WATER PERMITS- BRIDGES-SEC RDS 350.00
IOWA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSOC,2023 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL-EMA 150.00
IOWA PARKS & RECREATION ASSOCIATION,EH IPRA CEU POOL INSP 165.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES,-SIGNS-SEC RDS 13,695.20
IOWA SECRETARY OF STATE WICKHAM NOTARY RNWL 30.00
IOWWA,EH IOWWA RENEWAL 110.00
ISAC,NEW OFFICER SCHOOL REG, BOS(2) & TREAS 600.00
ISACA DISTRICT II AUDITORS 23 AUDITOR DUES 20.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL,TOOLS & BRUSH CUTTING MTRLs-SEC RDS, CUSTDL SUPPLS 873.16
KAHN TILE SUPPLY LLC,ENTRANCE REP - DUAL WALL PIPE, SEC RDS 471.00
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES INC OCT/NOV 22 WELL TEST LAB FEES 1,361.70
KIME, ANDREA,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 38.75
KIME, JENNY,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 368.75
KNUTSON, ANN,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 5.63
KOTTKE, RICH,11.15.22 VA MEETING 25.00
KUEHN, KATHRYN,NOV & DEC VA MTGS 50.00
KURTENBACH, CRAIG I,JAN-JUN 23 GROUND LEASE-RADIO TOWER 2,400.00
KWIK TRIP EXTENDED NETWORK

FUEL & GAS-SEC RDS, SHERF 11,491.78
KWIK TRIP INC - FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES INC,GAS-CONSV,EH, GEN SRVS 885.72
L & R MANUFACTURING LLC BOOT SCRAPER - CRTHS 222.56
LAMPSON-BAST, SHELLY,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 184.38
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES INC INTERPRETATION SRVS OVER THE PHONE PH 24.15
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC,ELECTRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES-SEC RDS 1,677.05
LOU'S LP CO,LP NASHUA SHOP 209.00
MARSHALL & SWIFT / BOECKH LLC,ASSR COST MANUAL ANNL SUB 1,060.15
MCSHANE, SHELLEY,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 463.13
MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP,DEC 22 CABLE-JAIL 154.71
MERCY ONE MEDICAL CENTER NOV 22 INMATE MEALS 1,640.00
MID TECH SERVICES,CHBC WATER SAMPLE PSTG 34.90
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO,INTERSECTION LIGHTING 7.51
MIENERGY COOPERATIVE,ELECTRICITY-CO SHOP, CONSV, NASHUA TOWER 715.76
MITKO LLC,ELECTRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES-SEC RDS 177.49
MOTOR PARTS AND EQUIPMENT CORPORATION,PARTS, FILTERS, EQUIP CONSUMEABLES-SEC RDS 367.40
NASHUA REPORTER,ASSR PAPER SUBSCRIPTION 38.00
NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES,DEC 22 ATTY PHONE & INTERNET 174.02
NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE,EH RADON, PH HELP WANTED & VETERANS DAY AD, ENG SB-SCRPTN 622.12
NEW HAMPTON, CITY OF,NOV22 CO BLDG UTILS 3,919.06
NEW HORIZONS-CHAMBER,NOV 22 TOURISM CNTRCT SRVS 901.25
NORTHEAST IOWA COMMUNITY ACTION CORP,NOV 22 ADMIN EXP 601.65

NORTHEAST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE,EMT STUDENTS CLASS REG 4,608.00
NORTHERN IOWA THERAPY PC THERAPY SRVS DEC 22 10,000.00
NOSBISCH, RANDY,NOV & DEC VA MTGS 50.00
ON TRACK SIGNS,WARNING TAMPERING SIGN 310TH ST CLOSED BRIDGE-SEC RDS 113.00
OSWALD, MICHAEL,EMS STAFF RENTAL DEC 22 & DEP 1,500.00
PAULUS, JUDY,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 266.25
PETERS, WENDY,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 146.88
PETERSON CONTRACTORS INC BOX CULVERT 260TH ST PROJECT-SEC RDS 148,400.00
PHILLIPS PLUMBING & HEATING BOILER SERVICED - NH COUNTY SHOP 70.00
PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC,SEPT-DEC22 PSTG MACHINE LEASE 683.58
RACOM CORPORATION,19-3 TRUCK RADIO EQUIP & DP SRVS 23,614.77
RAPID PRINTERS / OFFICE WORLD CO DEPT OFFICE SUPPLIES 1,105.43
RILEY'S INC,CO DEPTS SUPPLIES, REP, TONERS, COPY FEES 1,667.66
S & T COLLISION CENTER AND AUTO LLC,19-5 TIRE REPAIR 15.00
SAVE RITE MEDICAL,DEC 22 WOUND CARE SUPP 136.19
SCHUETH ACE HARDWARE,CHBC SUPPLIES AND BATTERIES-VA 206.19
SCHUMACHER ELEVATOR COMPANY,ELEVATOR CONTRACT SRVS MNTC 262.64
SCOTT PHARMACY INC,NOV 22 INMATE PRESCRIPTIONS 257.89
SPEICHER, DEAN,12.15.22 VA MEETING 25.00
STAPLES INC,EH & PH CALENDARS 144.84
STRYKER SALES LLC,EMS EQUIPMENT 49,927.08
SUPERIOR WELDING SUPPLY CO

SEC RDS WELDING SUPPLIES 38.10
THRONDSOIN & THRONDSOIN INC 2016 GMC FLAT REPAIR EH 25.00
TREWIN PUMPING SERVICE,NOV LEACHATE HAUL FEE 175.00
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES,PARTS SEC RDS 1,620.89
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,ANNL ATTY PO BOX RENT 90.00
U.S. CELLULAR CORPORATION DEC 22 CELL PHONE & TABLETS-CO DEPTS 907.64
ULINE INC,DYMO LABELS-AUD 46.50
UNITED STATES POLICE CANINE ASSOC,2023 K9 MEMBERSHIP RNWL 50.00
VERIZON WIRELESS,SHERIFF DEC 22 CELL & VEHICLE LAPTOPS DP SRVS 897.44
VERN LAURES AUTO CENTER INC 2023 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500 SEC RDS 37,438.26
VISA,DATA PROC SRVS 1,450.59
VISA,PH DP SRVS & SHERIFF FUEL, LODG, MTG REG 956.79
WAYNE'S TRUCK EQUIP & PARTS INC,TIRES & REPAIRS-SEC RDS 40.00
WELTER, LISA,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 71.25
WENDEL MULLER,JAN 23 GROUND LEASE-RADIO TOWER 500.00
WINDSTREAM CORPORATION NH SHOP PHONES & INTERNET 231.44
WINDSTREAM HOLDINGS, INC DEC 22 911 SRVS PHONE 199.88
WINNESHIEK COUNTY SHERIFF NOV 22 INMATE HOUSING 1,500.00
WOLF, JANE,NOV 22 CLIENT CALLS MLG 286.25
ZIEGLER INC,MINI RENTAL,PARTS,TOOLS, HARDWARE, FILTERS-SEC RDS 5,363.41
ZOLL, TIMOTHY,NOV/DEC22 MTG MLG 133.75
TOTAL 409,060.81
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New Hampton Calendar of Events January 2023



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY Extension and Outreach



MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023
• No School Winter Break
• 8:00am- 4:30pm Office Closed Chickasaw County Extension Office
• 1:00pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament @ Osage HS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023
• NO SCHOOL St. Joseph Community School
• No School Teacher Inservice
• 4:00pm Esports JV vs. Crestwood
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023
• 3:00pm- 5:00pm Rick Kramer Retirement Open House @ NH Community Center
• Academic Calendar 2nd Semester Begins
• 5:30pm- 6:00pm Driver's Education - Winter driver's ed parent meeting in Mrs. Schmitt's classroom.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023
• Esports Varsity vs. Osage
• 4:00pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School
• 6:00pm Basketball: Girls JJV Game @ Crestwood High School
• 6:00pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Dual vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School
• 6:00pm Wrestling: Boys JV Dual vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 6:30pm Basketball: Girls JV Varsity/JV vs. Clarksville @ Clarksville High School
• 7:00pm Wrestling: Boys Varsity Dual vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 7:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Varsity/JV vs. Clarksville @ Clarksville High School
FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023
• 7:15am Interact Club Interact CORE members meeting
• 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 4:30pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament vs. Multiple Schools.. @ Central Community Junior-Senior High School
• 5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 6:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 8:00pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023
• NEIBA Honor Jazz Band @ Kennedy HS, Cedar Rapids
• 10:00am Wrestling: Boys JV Tournament vs. Central Elkader IA @ Central Elkader HS
• 10:00am Wrestling: Varsity Game vs. MS @ Atlantic High School
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Charles City @ Charles City High School
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Charles

City @ New Hampton High School
• 4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet vs. Waukon @ Waukon Middle School
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023
• Esports JV vs. Hampton-Dumont-CAL
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL
• 4:00pm Bowling: Girls Varsity Game vs. Oelwein Community Schools @ Bowlaway Lanes
• 4:00pm Bowling: Boys Varsity Game vs. Oelwein Community Schools @ Bowlaway Lanes
• 5:30pm Wrestling: Varsity Quad vs. Multiple Schools.. @ Union High School
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL
• 7:30am National Honor Society Meeting in the Annex
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2023
• Esports Varsity vs. Garner-Hayfield-Ventura
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Waukon @ Waukon High School
• 6:15pm Wrestling: Boys JV Dual vs. Waukon @ Waukon High School
• 7:30pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Dual vs. Waukon @ Waukon High School
• 7:30pm Wrestling: Boys Varsity Dual vs. Waukon @ Waukon High School
FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL
• 7:30am Interact Club Meeting in rm. 106
• 4:45pm Basketball: Girls JJV Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School Go-Hawk Gym
• 6:00pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School Go-Hawk Gym
• 6:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School Bock Gym
• 7:30pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School Bock Gym
• 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School Go-Hawk Gym
SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023
• 9:00am- 11:00am Clover Kids Club NH/ Extension Office
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL
• 10:00am Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament vs. Multiple Schools.. @ Oelwein High School
• 10:00am Wrestling: Boys JV Tournament vs. Multiple Schools.. @ New Hampton High School High School Gym Doc Carr Duals
• 10:00am Wrestling: Varsity Meet vs. Multiple Schools.. @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 12:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Multiple Schools.. @ Upper Iowa University
SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023
• Disney Music Trip - Kissimmee, FL

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023
• NO SCHOOL Teacher Inservice
• NEIC Music Festival- Band and Vocal 6:30pm Board of Education High School Media Center
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023
• Esports JV vs. East High School
• 4:00pm Bowling: Girls Varsity Game vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Bowlaway Lanes
• 4:00pm Bowling: Boys Varsity Game vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Bowlaway Lanes
• 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Columbus Catholic @ Columbus Catholic High School
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Charles City @ New Hampton High School Middle School Gym
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Charles City @ Charles City High School
• 4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet vs. Charles City @ Charles City Middle School
• 5:00pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Sumner-Fredericksburg High School
• 5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV Quad vs. Columbus Catholic @ Columbus Catholic High School
• 6:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Quad vs. Columbus Catholic @ Columbus Catholic High School
• 8:00pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Quad vs. Columbus Catholic @ Columbus Catholic High School
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023
• 5:30pm Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club Meeting High School Cafeteria
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023
• Esports Varsity vs. North Butler Jr./Sr. High
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game Vs. Oelwein Community Schools @ New Hampton Elementary School Elementary Gym
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Oelwein Community Schools @ Oelwein High School
• 4:30pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet vs. MS.. @ Riceville High School
• 6:00pm Basketball: Girls JJV Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School Middle School Gym
• 6:15pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Sumner-Fredericksburg High School
• 6:15pm Wrestling: Boys JV Dual vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ New Hampton High School High School Gym

• 7:30pm Wrestling: Boys Varsity Dual vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 7:45pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Sumner-Fredericksburg High School
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023
• 4:00pm Bowling: Girls Varsity Game vs. Independence @ Bowlaway Lanes
• 4:00pm Bowling: Boys Varsity Game vs. Independence @ Bowlaway Lanes
• 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 6:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
• 8:00pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023
• 8:30am Wrestling: Boys JV Tournament vs. North Butler @ North Butler High School
• 9:30am Wrestling: Varsity Tournament vs. Denver Community Schools @ Denver HS
• 10:00am Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament vs. Multiple Schools.. @ Decorah HS GYM
• 8:00pm- 11:00pm Dances High School Cafeteria Sadie's Dance
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023
• State Jazz Band Festival
• 4:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Quad vs. South Winneshiek @ New Hampton HS
• 4:30pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Match vs. Mason City @ Mason City HS
• 5:00pm Wrestling: Boys JV Tournament vs. MS @ New Hampton HS
• 5:15pm Basketball: Boys JV Quad vs. South Winneshiek @ New Hampton HS
• 6:30pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Quad vs. South Winneshiek @ New Hampton HS
• 7:45pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Quad vs. South Winneshiek @ New Hampton HS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Decorah @ New Hampton HS
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Decorah @ Decorah HS
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023
• 10:00am Bowling: Girls Varsity Tournament

vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Cadilac Lanes, Waterloo
• 10:00am Bowling: Boys Varsity Tournament vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg @ Cadilac Lanes, Waterloo
THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023
• 1:00pm- 4:00pm Private Pesticide Applicator CIC (P-CIC) NH/Chickasaw County Extension Office
• Esports Varsity vs. East High School
• 4:00pm FFA NE District Pre-Review Waverly Shell Rock HS
• 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Quad vs. North Fayette Valley @ NFV High School
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood HS
• 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton HS
• 4:30pm Wrestling: Boys JV Conference Tournament vs. MS @ Waverly-Shell Rock
• 5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV Quad vs. North Fayette Valley @ North Fayette High School
• 6:00pm Basketball: Girls JJV Game vs. Decorah @ New Hampton HS
• 6:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Quad vs. North Fayette Valley @ NFV HS
• 7:00pm- 9:30 Private Pesticide Applicator CIC (P-CIC) NH/Chickasaw County Extension Office
• 7:30pm Basketball: Boys 9th Game (Cancelled) vs. Decorah
• 8:00pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. North Fayette Valley @ NFV High School
FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023
• 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Decorah @ Decorah HS
• 5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Decorah @ Decorah HS
• 6:45pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Decorah @ Decorah HS
• 8:00pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Decorah @ Decorah HS
SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023
• 10:00am Wrestling: Boys Varsity Conference Tournament vs. MS @ Waukon High School
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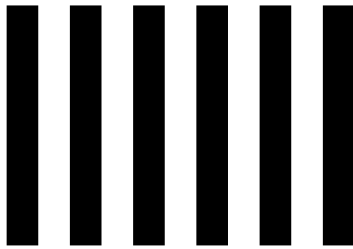
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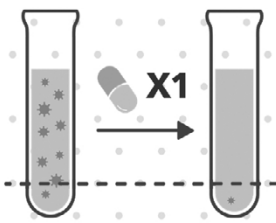
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NH/TV coach wants to see more ‘confidence’

NH/TV GIRLS: FROM 11

round at 170 pounds.

Eichenberger stuck Hemmersbach in 3:07. Eichenberger earned a fourth-place finish after losing by major decision to No. 5 Leah Grimm of Osage. The senior Green Devil won, 16-2, in each grappler's third-place match.

NH sophomore Maycen Hackman (130) came within one match of placing as she worked her way to two pins on the day. She pinned Kylee Dorenkamp of West Fork in 3:18 and stuck Cali Mackenzie of Cedar Falls in 3:53. Hackman (4-13) lost in her last match of the day by pin to Ayden Erickson of Perry in 2:18.

“That was really awesome for her to be able to pick up two wins. She was just one match away from being top eight,” said Ciavarelli. “That right there in itself is just a huge improvement and should hopefully give her a lot of confidence moving forward. We were definitely excited about that and she was too. That was nice to see.”

Kaylee Wertz (115) and Kaylee Johnson (155) each earned pins at their respective weights as well. Wertz has competed to a record of 10-14 and Johnson has posted a mark of 11-12.

The key to NH/TV's most recent success has been to believe in one's self according to Ciavarelli.

“It just comes down to some confidence. We're getting that mat time now, obviously,” said Ciavarelli. “That kind of showed through. We looked a little bit more comfortable on our feet.

Some girls who haven't been able to complete a shot, were finishing shots. Some girls who were struggling on bottom were starting to get to their feet and get away.”

NH/TV hosts Crestwood tonight (Thursday) and competes at Central Elkader in another huge tournament Friday afternoon that features 33 teams.

OSAGE TOURNAMENT TEAM SCORES

East Buchanan 237, Cedar Falls 217, Osage 215, Mason City 135.5, Southeast Polk 120, Nevada 102, Central Elkader 80, South Winneshiek 80, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 79, Waukon 77, Perry 68, Boone 48, Clear Lake 38, Eagle Grove 28, Nashua-Plainfield 24, West Fork 20, Denver 7.

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

115 - Kaylee Wertz did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Josseline Hageman (SW) pinned Wertz, 1:23. Cons. Round 1 - Wertz pinned Shelby Schrock (SP), 3:51. Cons. Round 2 - Isabella McDivitt (P) pinned Wertz, 5:46.

120 - Zoey Dreckman did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Tori Sylvester (CE) pinned Dreckman, 1:56. Cons. Round 1 - Ashley Risvold (CF) pinned Dreckman, 2:00.

130 - Maycen Hackman did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Kimberly Suhr (CE) pinned Hackman, 0:44. Cons. Round 1 - Hackman pinned Kylee Dorenkamp (WF), 3:18. Cons. Round 2 - Hackman pinned Cali Mackenzie (CF), 3:53. Cons. Round 3 - Ayden Erickson (P) pinned Hackman, 2:18.

135 - Oliva Hoy did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Mia Reichart (NEV) pinned Hoy, 0:53. Cons. Round 1 - Lily Fair (O) pinned Hoy, 1:54.

140 - Keira Myers placed second. Quarterfinal - Myers pinned Mya Holdaway (SP), 2:24. Semifinal - Myers pinned Kallie Gibbons (MC), 2:16. 1st Place Match -



New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Olivia Hoy (above) works to get out for an escape during a match at Monday's Osage Invitational while coach Caleb Ciavarelli (below) hollers encouragement.

Andelyn Cabalka (EB) pinned Myers, 1:12.

145 - Ali Russler placed first. Champ. Round 1 - Russler pinned Addison Timp (SW), 0:46. Quarterfinal - Russler pinned Aubrey Chapman (O), 1:21. Semifinal - Russler dec. Lauren Rodgers (P), 5-1. 1st Place Match - Russler pinned Tayla Stiefel (EB), 0:54.

155 - Kaylee Johnson did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Rebecca Suhr (CE) dec. Johnson, 10-3. Cons. Round 1 - Johnson pinned Megan Niemeyer (O), 2:50. Cons. Round 2 - Erika Power (O) pinned Johnson, 2:16.

170 - Aleah Eichenberger placed fourth. Champ. Round 1 - Eichenberger pinned Rylie Nachazel (CF), 2:00. Quarterfinal - Brooklyn Graham (EB) pinned Eichenberger, 0:43. Cons. Round 2 - Eichenberger pinned Haley Jones (NEV), 5:59. Cons. Round 3 - Eichenberger pinned Kloe Hemmersbach, 3:07. 3rd Place Match - Leah Grimm (O) maj. dec. Eichenberger, 16-2.



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Butch's II	57	42	0
Dak's Tap I	48	42	9
Bowlaway	47	43	10
Dak's Tap II	47	43	10
Schucky's	46	53	11
Butch's I	43	47	14
Hide A Way	36	54	21
RESULTS			
Butch's II 6, Hide A Way 3			
Schucky's 5, Dak's Tap I 4			
Butch's I 5, Bowlaway			
Lanes 4			
Dak's Tap II, Bye Week			
THREE-GAME WINNERS			
Butch's II - Gen Sweitzer			
& Michelle Rosonke			
Schucky's - Janna Burke			
& Crystal Reddel			
Butch's I - Kristy Kirkus			
& Tina Britt			

Chickasaw Men's Pool		
Week 11 Dec. 26		
	W	L
HereZ 2 U	54	36
Brite Spot	50	40
Big Willie's	49	41
Dak's Tap 1	47	43
Butch's I	46	44
Dak's Tap 2	45	45
The Pub	45	45
VFW	42	48
Butch's 2	42	48
Hide-A-Way	38	52
The Office	37	53
RESULTS		
Dak's Tap 2 5, Big Willie's 4		
The Pub 5, Brite Spot 4		
HereZ 2 U 5, Hide-A-Way 4		
Butch's 1 5, VFW 4		
Butch's 2 7, The Office 2		
Dak's Tap 1, bye		
THREE-GAME WINNERS		
Butch's 2: Will & Trent, HB & Matt		
Hide-A-Way: Jim C. & Chris		
TABLE RUN		
Big Willie's: Barry		

Local wrestlers shine at annual Lions youth tournament

Here are local wrestlers faired at the annual New Hampton Lions Club Youth Wrestling Tournament that was held on Saturday, Dec. 10, at New Hampton High School:

TOTS DIVISION

Bracket 1: Jackson Eichenberger, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 2: Mason Dungey, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 3: Coraline Sinnwell, Nashua, third; Stella Kellogg, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 6: Jack Mitchell, New Hampton, first.

Bracket 8: Edwin Kuehner, Lawler, third.

Bracket 9: Kai Smith, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 10: Miller Reicks, New Hampton, third.

Bracket 12: Orson VanSickle, Fort Atkinson, first.

Bracket 13: Cullen Muetherthies, Lawler, fourth.

Bracket 15: Braxton Novak, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 16: Markavian Peterson, Ionia, first.

MIDGET DIVISION

Bracket 3: Briggs Hill, New Hampton, first; Markell Peterson, Ionia, third.

Bracket 4: Mark Peterson, Ionia, second; Bravn Hurst, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 5: Aydin Selvig, New Hampton, first; Logan Kellogg, New Hampton, third.

Bracket 6: Nilan Goddard, Nashua-Plainfield, first; Kashton Steinlage, Lawler, second; Connor Lentz, Alta Vista, fourth.

Bracket 8: Carsyn Hare, Elma, third.

Bracket 9: Rowan Kleiss, Lawler, third.

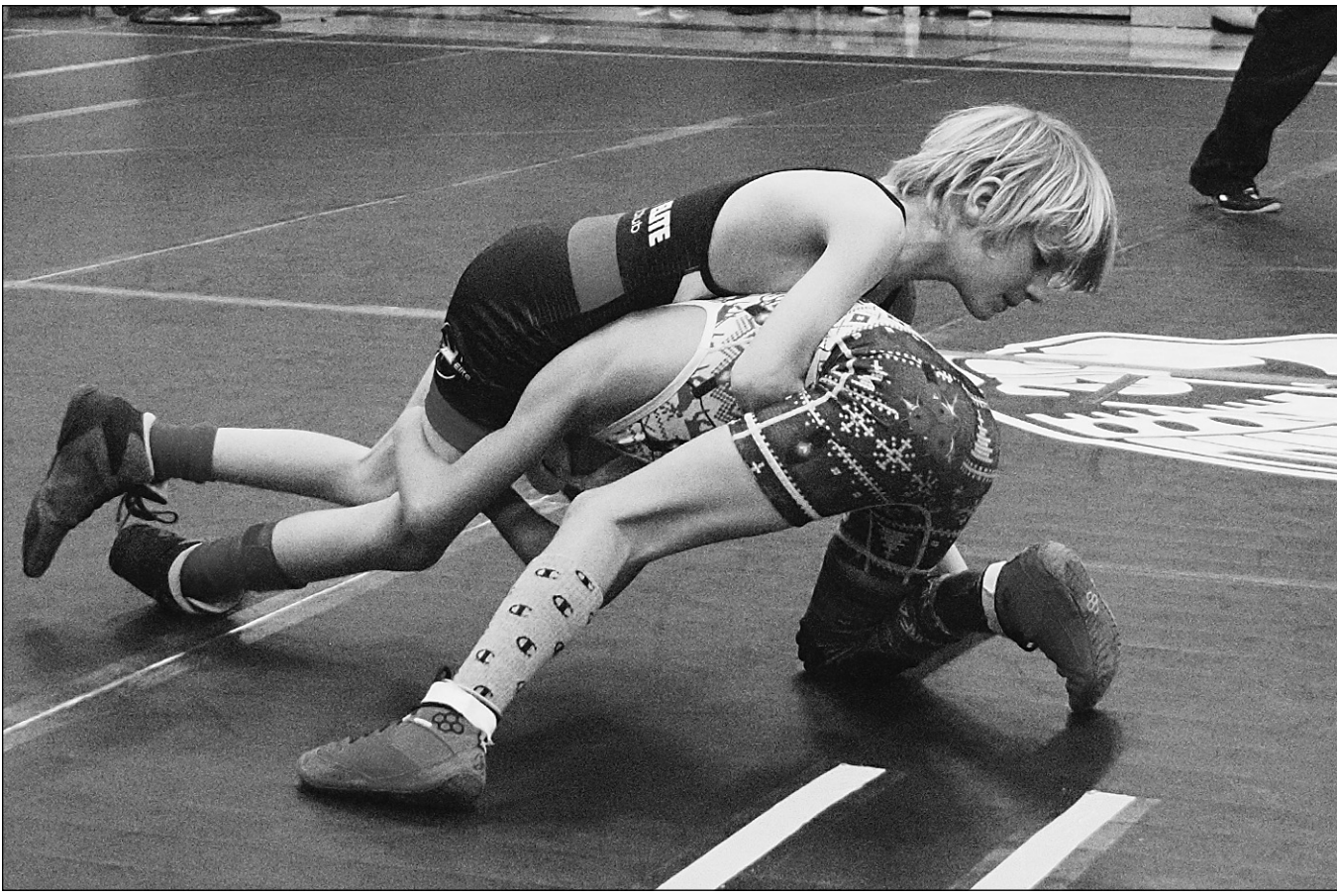
Bracket 11: Emmett Brown, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 12: Dawson Van Sickle, Fredericksburg, third; Hudson Albrecht, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 13: Ryker Anderson, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 14: Jack McNeil, Fredericksburg, second.

Bracket 15: Maverick Wendel, Fredericksburg, third.



Mason Vondersitt takes on a wrestler who was definitely in the Christmas spirit during the annual New Hampton Lions Club Youth Wrestling Tournament that was held 15 days before the big holiday.

Bracket 16: Zachary Kennedy, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 17: Dominick Sinnwell, Nashua, third; Brooks Lechtenberg, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 18: Ryder Hoffman, Nashua, first; Eben Brincks, Sumner-Fredericksburg, fourth.

PEE WEE DIVISION

Bracket 1: Nilan Goddard, Nashua, first.

Bracket 5: Kash Goddard, Nashua, second.

Bracket 6: Blagen Wenthold, Chickasaw Elite, third; Mason Vondersitt, Fort Atkinson, fourth.

Bracket 7: Everett Dungey, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 8: Max Kellogg, New Hampton, first; Esdon Kleiss, Lawler, second.

Bracket 9: Garrett Swehla, Alta Vista, second; Lydia Prosser, Fredericksburg, third.

Bracket 12: Tate Geerts, New Hampton, second; Landen Crabtree, Nashua, fourth.

Bracket 13: Easton Steinlage, Lawler, second; Hunter Kellogg, New Hampton, third.

Bracket 14: Ryder Hoffman, Nashua, second.

Bracket 15: James Hill, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 16: Myles Hackman, New Hampton, first.

Bracket 17: Ruby Wickman, Elma, third.

Bracket 19: Blake Opperman, New Hampton, second.

Bracket 20: Jeb Kellogg, Ionia, second.

Bracket 21: Connley Ries, Elma, first.

Bracket 22: Emmie Sudol, Nashua, first.

JUNIOR DIVISION

Bracket 2: Jet Lester, New Hampton, first; Harper Dungey, New Hampton, third; Brayden Lechtenberg, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 4: Amelia Uribe, New Hampton, third; Amelia Van Sickle, Fredericksburg, fourth.

Bracket 7: Vayda Robinson, New Hampton, third.

Bracket 10: Russel Wickman, Elma, fourth.

Bracket 11: Liam Langreck, Waucoma, third; Jersey Roethler, New Hampton, fourth.

Bracket 12: Mason Phillips, Ionia, third.

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

NH/TV sophomore Kaylee Johnson fights for position against Rebecca Suhr of Central Elkader in her opening round 155-pound matchup at the Osage Tournament on Monday.

NH/TV sends two to finals at Osage

Russler wins weight class, Myers second; Chickasaws finish ninth at girls tourney

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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Ali Russler is definitely making her mark this season and her Chickasaw teammates seem to be following her lead.

Russler, a New Hampton/Turkey Valley senior, took first place at the Osage Tournament



Russler

last Monday after another rock solid performance.

Russler, ranked fourth at 145 pounds by IAWrestle, pinned two rated opponents as she

zoomed to the top of the podium stand to secure her gold medal amongst a slew of top-notch competition.

“There was a lot of high-caliber girls there that were ranked,” said NH/TV head coach Caleb Ciavarelli. “It’s hard to say that that was one of the deepest tournaments we’ve been to because we’ve been to the Donnybrook – we’ve been to some pretty tough tournaments.”

NH/TV placed ninth overall in the team standings with 79 points, just a single point back of South Winneshiek and Central Elkader at the 17-team tourney.

“We have girls with different goals in mind. From that perspective, there was a lot of positives that came out of yesterday in my opinion,” said Ciavarelli.

Russler pinned No. 9 Aubrey Chapman of Osage in the quarterfinals in 1:21 and advanced to that round with another super fast win by fall over Addison Temp of South Winn in 46 seconds.

Russler earned a hard-fought 5-1 decision over Lauren Rodgers of Perry in the semis, only to rocket all the way to the top with another first-period pin over eighth-ranked Tayla Stiefel of East Buchanan in the



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Zoey Dreckman (above) takes on an opponent and Maycen Hackman (below) watches the mat action intently in between her matches.

finals in just 54 seconds.

Russler is 23-3 on the season and competed at state last year, but did not place.

Hard work and dedication has transformed Russler into one of the state’s best at her weight class.

“A big factor was she wrestled all summer long while doing other sports. She continued to be in the room. She continued to go to camps,” said Ciavarelli. “She put in the time. She’s a very competitive person that doesn’t like to lose. She’s able to learn from her losses and get better. All those little details like that – they go a long way.”

Kiera Myers, just a freshman, also had a great afternoon in the Chickasaws’ first action back out on the mat since Christmas break started.

Myers (14-9) placed runner-up at 140 pounds. She pinned her first two opponents in the second period. That pitted her up against No. 7 Andelyn



Cabalka of East Buchanan in the first-place match. The Buccaneer sophomore, 30-3 on the year, pinned Myers in 1:12.

Aleah Eichenberger (17-11), a

Chickasaw sophomore, knocked off No. 7 Kloe Hemmersbach of Waukon in the consolation

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Save for injuries, Blazek off to solid start with Hawkeyes

Former Turkey Valley star gets some varsity cross country time at the University of Iowa

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Jalyssa Blazek thought the analogy fit her current situation pretty well. She used to be a big fish in a small pond, now she’s a small fish in a big pond. But with plenty of room to grow.

The former Turkey Valley track star and ’22 graduate has state titles and school records under her belt, including state championships in the 800- and 1,500-meter runs her senior year, and the best times in Turkey Valley’s history in those events, along with the best ever cross country time.

That gathered attention from the University of Iowa, where the Lawler native became a Hawkeye last fall.

“It’s been a pretty smooth transition,” she said while on Christmas break recently. “There are so many great athletes coming from great schools it was a little bit intimidating at first, but the girls are great to be around and everyone’s looking out for each other.”

Blazek’s cross country season started off well. Running a 5K in high school, she made the switch to a 6K at the U of I. “I don’t think that a 6K is much harder than a 5K since we prepare through training,” she stated. “It’s just a few more minutes and when you’re racing you are just as focused to get to the finish and time blurs.

“I started off competing well within my team, I was in the top five in my first four races,” she continued.

Her best time came at the Gans Creek Classic in Columbia, Missouri, where she finished fourth among her team members – 61st overall among 240 runners – with a 21:45.

A 6K is just over 3.7 miles,



Blazek

and Blazek had more company at the finish line than she’s used to, as 60 runners came in within a minute 24 seconds of the winner.

“But toward the end of the season I developed shin splints and was diagnosed with a grade 2 stress fracture.”

She therefore missed out on conference and regional runs. For the past 8-9 weeks she’s been resting and cross training. “A lot of treadmill work and a lot of biking. I think the goal is to have a similar mileage for training, but it’s the impact on ground that really inflames it, I suppose.”

While the indoor track season is underway, Blazek isn’t sure when she’ll have the chance to compete. “They’re taking a pretty moderate approach to getting me back to running.”

The switch from high school to college has had its perks. While Turkey Valley does sport a nice fitness facility that Blazek still utilizes when she’s home, a Division I college, obviously, has the kind of equipment athletes dream of. Travel times to meets take a little longer as well.

“The longest bus ride was to Ann Arbor, Michigan – that was eight hours if I remember correctly – and we had a flight to Stillwater, Oklahoma, with a lot of layovers, that took all day.”

While the track transition was smooth, splitting time between sports and studies in college has been challenging.

“I think that’s the hardest part, balancing athletic and academic schedules, getting to meetings... time has definitely been a big thing for me.”

Athletes also have the opportunity to eat with a nutritionist. Blazek couldn’t guarantee, though, that she would avoid the dreaded “freshman 15.”

“I don’t know, the dining room food’s pretty good, I do miss my home-cooked meals though.”

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

TV basketball vs. Riceville, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., varsity girls at 6:15 p.m., varsity boys at 7:30 p.m.

NH/TV wrestling vs. Crestwood, JV boys and varsity girls at 6 p.m., varsity boys at 7 p.m.

NH girls basketball at Clarksville, JV at 6:30 p.m., varsity at 7:45 p.m.

FRIDAY

NH/TV girls wrestling at Central Elkader Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

NH basketball vs. Crestwood, JV girls at 4:15 p.m. and JV boys at 5:30 p.m. in old gym; varsity girls at 6:15 p.m. and varsity boys at 7:45 p.m. in competition gym.

TV basketball vs. Lansing Kee, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., varsity girls at 6:15 p.m., varsity boys at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

NH/TV varsity wrestling at Atlantic Invitational, 10 a.m.

NH/TV boys JV wrestling at Central Elkader tournament, 10 a.m.

TUESDAY

NH bowling vs. Oelwein, 4 p.m.

NH/TV varsity wrestling vs. Osage, Union and Central Elkader at Union, 5:30 p.m.

TV basketball vs. North Fayette Valley, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., varsity girls at 6:15 p.m., varsity boys at 7:30 p.m.



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MAT ACTION!

Wrestlers (above) battle it out on the mat at the annual New Hampton Lions Club wrestling tournament that was held last month in the old gym, where we caught one of our favorite pictures — a father and son (right) patiently waiting for the youngster's turn on the mat — at the tournament.



LIONS WRESTLING TOURNAMENT IS A WELL-OILED MACHINE



While Mason Phillips (left) scores a takedown in the gym, Lions Bob Messersmith and Jim Gorman (above) update brackets as a younger sister takes a photo of her brother's bracket.

It's a lot of work, but then again, there's a lot of experience on hand when it comes to the annual New Hampton Lions Youth Wrestling tournament that was held last month.

"It's hectic setting up and tearing down," Lions Club member Dennis Pagel said, "but once we get it going, it's like a well-oiled machine because these guys have been doing their jobs for a long time. Once you get slotted into a spot, it's yours for life ... or at least a really long time."

Pagel said one of the best parts of the tournament each year is the number of volunteers who turn out to help, including high school students who help with the clean up and the officials who once competed at the tournament.

"We have some guys who now come back every year to help us out," he said, "and so this year we had guys like Jordan Holthaus, Bobby

HOW ARE AREA WRESTLERS DID AT THE LIONS TOURNEY!

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Balk, Kael Glenn, who brought a buddy, a college wrestler of his, and then Ryan Anderson, who is also helping with some coaching at the high school."

And the Lions are always looking for a little additional help, but especially in 2023 when the tournament will move into the new competition gymnasium and also include, for the first time ever, girls divisions.

"It's always a hectic — real hectic — but fun day," Pagel said. "We're busy, but the kids have a blast, or at least a lot of them, being part of a great sport."

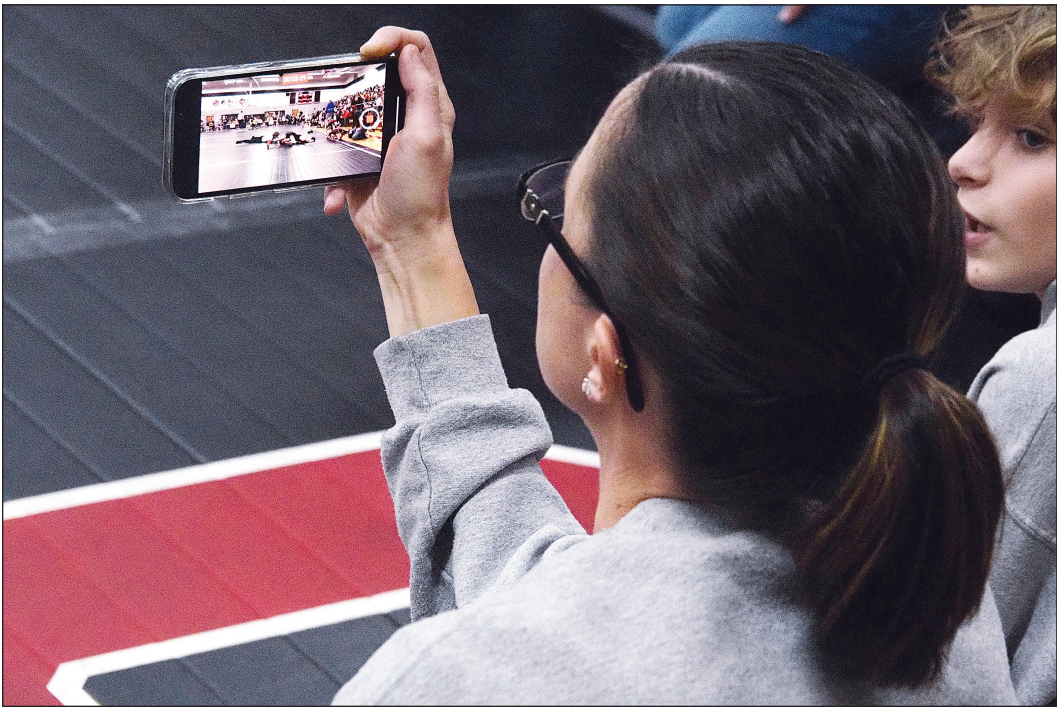
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Kimber and Sloan Dungey join Lydia Prosser (left) as they watch Harper Dungey (above) take on Jet Lester in a match at the tournament where New Hampton Lions Club member Andrew Zweibohmer's (right) voice got a workout as he served as the tourney's announcer.



Referees like Ryan Anderson and Jordan Holthaus (above) had busy days, as did moms like Amanda (Seelhammer) Uhlenhake (right), who takes video of her son, Ryder, during a match.



Myles Hackman (above) gets ready to finish off a takedown in the gym while competitors and their families have some fun and plenty to eat and drink in the cafeteria.

