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Supervisors nix Heritage bids

With 'too many irons in the fire,' board rejects two bids on old county home

By Bob Fenske
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Monday rejected both bids it received for the Heritage property because, as the board chairman put it, the county has "a lot of irons in the fire," especially with the potential sale of an office building the county owns in New Hampton.

After opening the bids — $300,000 from Dale Reicks and $200,025 from Chip and Darlene Schwickerath — board members voted unanimously to turn down both bids.

"I can say my opinion is we have a lot of irons in the fire," Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said, "and speaking to other individuals as well as taxpayers … I'm not going to vote to sell the property for $300,000."

Reicks' bid did not include what he intended to do with the property.

As they did when they submitted an unsolicited offer last month, the Schwickeraths said their bid was contingent on receiving a 10-year tax abatement, and the couple said they would turn the old county home into multi-family housing.

Board members this coming Monday will hold a public hearing on the sale of a county-owned building located at 910 E. Main St. in New Hampton for $100,000, and that sale, supervisors said, affected how they voted on the Heritage bids.

"There's discussion about moving other offices out there," he said, "If we were to sell the East Main property, we would need offices for that as well. We have to find a place to put an ambulance, whether that's out there, whether that's in another county building and we have to shuffle

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Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory employees Connie Njus and Andy Hugeback share a light moment in the funeral home's New Hampton office recently.

The art of caring

Retired nurse finds new career at New Hampton funeral home

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Women in the Workplace
Check out our special B section!

Connie Njus' motto when it comes to her work at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory comes down to four simple words.

"Family is my priority."

And that quartet of words is what makes her so good at her job, so says Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory Funeral Director Drew Johnson.

"Connie is just one of those people who has a warmth and a compassion for people," he said, "and an understanding of families who are grieving. She just cares about people."

Then again, Njus has been doing exactly that for years, and she will tell you that there are plenty of similarities from her long career as a nurse and her relatively new job as a funeral assistant and bereavement advocate at the New Hampton funeral home.

"In the nursing field with high acuity in which I practiced for 32 years, I was trying to help people get better, helping them through a tough time, and saving lives daily. Death was no stranger to me. In my current job, I'm helping families get through a difficult time of saying goodbye to a loved one." Njus said, "I know people will look at it and say nursing and

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Supervisors make little EMS headway

Board agrees on a name for new service's but not much else during lengthy discussion

By Bob Fenske
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors spent more than half of their three-hour meeting on Monday discussing the county's ambulance service that must be up and running by Jan. 1.

And they came to one decision: The service's name will be Chickasaw County EMS.

To be fair, board members did make progress on a job description for the service's director — agreeing on a pay range between $70,000 and $90,000, depending on certifications and experience — but spun their wheels on purchasing ambulances and equipment.

In a meeting that got testy at times, supervisors deadlocked at 2-2 — Supervisor Steve Breitbach is on vacation and wasn't at the meeting — on a proposal to spend $1.1 million to purchase four rigs and equipment from Chickasaw Ambulance Service owner Jeremy McGrath.

That's because two supervisors, Board Chair Matt Kuhn and Jason Byrne, believe they can purchase new equipment and have it delivered by Jan. 1.

"The way I look at it is if we can get new equipment for a similar price," Kuhn said, "why not go that route because if we purchase used equipment, in three years, four years, the stuff is going to be 10 years old."

He said that Iowa Falls EMS Director Corey Larson indicated to him that the county could purchase three new rigs and the accompanying equipment to match McGrath's offer would cost the county $835,516.

Kuhn added that "nearly all the other items [besides cardiac monitors] are available immediately or prior to 2023."

McGrath said everyone he has talked to — including 424-Plus Consulting's Kolby Kolbet, who appraised his equipment, and an official from SafeTech Solutions, as well as other ambulance service providers — said that is simply not true.

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It's good to be back!

St. Joseph Community School students Ryan Edson and Ruby Pickett recite the Pledge of Allegiance in Sharon Samec's classroom while New Hampton Elementary School gave its students a "welcome back" on Tuesday morning, the first day of the 2022-23 school year. **See PHOTOS, Page 3**

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Former nurse wears a number of 'hats' at funeral home

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what I'm doing today are two completely different things, but it's amazing to me how similar they are. They're both about being there for people."

Today's Tribune includes our annual Women in the Workplace special section, where the newspaper tells stories of area women who excel at their jobs and make contributions to their communities.

And Connie Njus' story is a unique one — one that is filled with warmth and compassion.

GROWING UP IN New Hampton, the youngest of Bill and Marlene Weigel's eight children, Njus knew whatever career path she took had to fulfill her desire to help others.

She attended St. Joseph Community School for eight years before transferring to New Hampton High School, where she was a member of the Class of 1984.

She thought about becoming a physical therapist, but she wasn't sure if she wanted to spend that much time in school, so when she headed to the University of Iowa, Njus made the decision to go into nursing.

"I knew I wanted to go into the medical field because of my passion to help people," she said. "I guess, for me, it was my calling."

And she thrived in it, too. After graduating from Iowa, she spent her entire career in Rochester, Minnesota, where she worked for the Mayo Clinic, mostly at St. Marys Hospital — first in the cardiac surgery intensive-care unit for five years and then as a physician extender for the next eight years. The first one is easy — not the job itself but the explanation.

"At the bedside in the ICU, we were trying to keep people alive," she said. "It was, yes, fast-paced and sometimes, yes, a heartbreaking job, but I enjoyed it and found it very fulfilling."

But a physician extender? What exactly is that?

"Basically, I worked closely with three cardiac surgeons, managing their patients' post surgical and follow up care. I was given a lot of autonomy in this role under the doctor's supervision. This was another job I thoroughly enjoyed."

In the early 2000s, however, the Mayo Clinic was transitioning their extenders into nurse practitioner and physician assistant roles, and instead, Njus decided to go back to school to become a nurse anesthetist.

"When asked at my 15-year class reunion what I was doing nowadays," she said with a laugh, "I joked with them that I was studying to be a professional gas-passer. ... My anesthesia practice gave me great satisfaction through to my retirement. I worked with some wonderful people. Really, that was the case for my entire nursing career. I have no regrets, not a single one, about choosing nursing."

IN SOME WAYS, though, it was a grueling career because Njus basically spent decades commuting from New Hampton to Rochester.

She and her husband, Dennis, had long talked about retiring earlier, rather than later, and when COVID-19 hit, Njus explored her options.

"I met with our financial planner, and got the go-ahead," she said, "and I thought, 'You know what? I'm going to do this.' I loved my career, but I was ready."

Her husband, who works at Bodensteiner, hasn't taken the retirement plunge yet, but then again, neither has his wife.

Her last official day with Mayo was on February 1, 2021, and her first day at Hugeback-Johnson was on Feb. 1, 2021. Although, to be fair, Njus did have some vacation "built up" so it wasn't like she traded her scrubs in for her funeral home attire.

"Anyone who knows Connie knows she is just so genuine," Hugeback said. "There's no question in my mind that her nursing career would transition to what we do because it's really about caring for people. Connie cares."

And just what does she do in her second career?

"That was the first question I had," Njus said with a smile, "and it's been a work in progress. I would say my priority is to help families go through the death process.

"It's so hard to say goodbye to the ones you loved — I went through it with my parents — and I guess I hope my families here know that I'm here to lean on, to help in any way I can. I want to share the comfort with other families that was given to my family."

Njus often sits in with one of Hugeback-Johnson's funeral home directors — Bryan and Andy Hugeback, Johnson, or Anthony Hable — when they meet with families. She helps make and fulfill arrangements for the celebration of life. She assists families in personalizing the visitation room. She is a facilitator for the local GriefShare support that meets both in the spring and fall.

"Anything they need, that's my job," she said. "Family is my priority."

CONNIE AND DENNIS Njus never had children, but she has a slew of nieces and nephews.

"Trust me, I'm the fun aunt," she said with a laugh, "or at least, I'm pretty sure they will say that."

Unlike her days at Mayo, she doesn't have a set schedule. At Hugeback-Johnson funeral home, if she's needed and she's available, she answers the call.

"Some weeks, it's crazy busy," she said, "and then it might be a week or two of almost nothing. I'm OK with that."

She loves to travel — evening drives in the countryside with Dennis; longer trips with her "traveling partners" — and many road trips to Green Bay to see her beloved friends and Packers.

That's a plus for Johnson who may bleed green and gold. His brother-in-law, the younger Hugeback, who is a Minnesota Vikings' fan, laughed when asked about Njus Packer fandom.

"I thought we should fire her right away," Hugeback said, with a laugh before turning serious. "I think her biggest strength is her wanting to help people. Her past job was helping people, and you can tell. She'll do anything for the families she works with."

NJUS IS NOW 20 months into her second career, and that caring attitude remains her No. 1 asset, her co-workers say.

Like any new job, there's a learning curve — one that she rode throughout her 30-plus years as a nurse.

"You're always learning in any job you do," she said, "or at least, that's how I look at it. One thing here is that the biggest challenge when people are grieving is to not take things personally. Just as it was as a nurse, this job can be very humbling. My goal is to always try to meet the needs of the family first."

Before the interview ended, Njus was asked one final question: Did she make the right decision to accept the offer made by the funeral home back in the winter of 2021?

The answer came quickly.

"No regrets whatsoever," she said. "I get to keep helping people. That's what I've wanted to do my entire life, and, yes, sometimes it's hard to watch my friends, our families, go through what they're going through, but hopefully, in some small way, we — and I really mean that because this is totally a team effort — are helping them through it the best we can."

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Connie Njus loads up a van with flowers in the garage at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home before delivering them to a family after a recent funeral.

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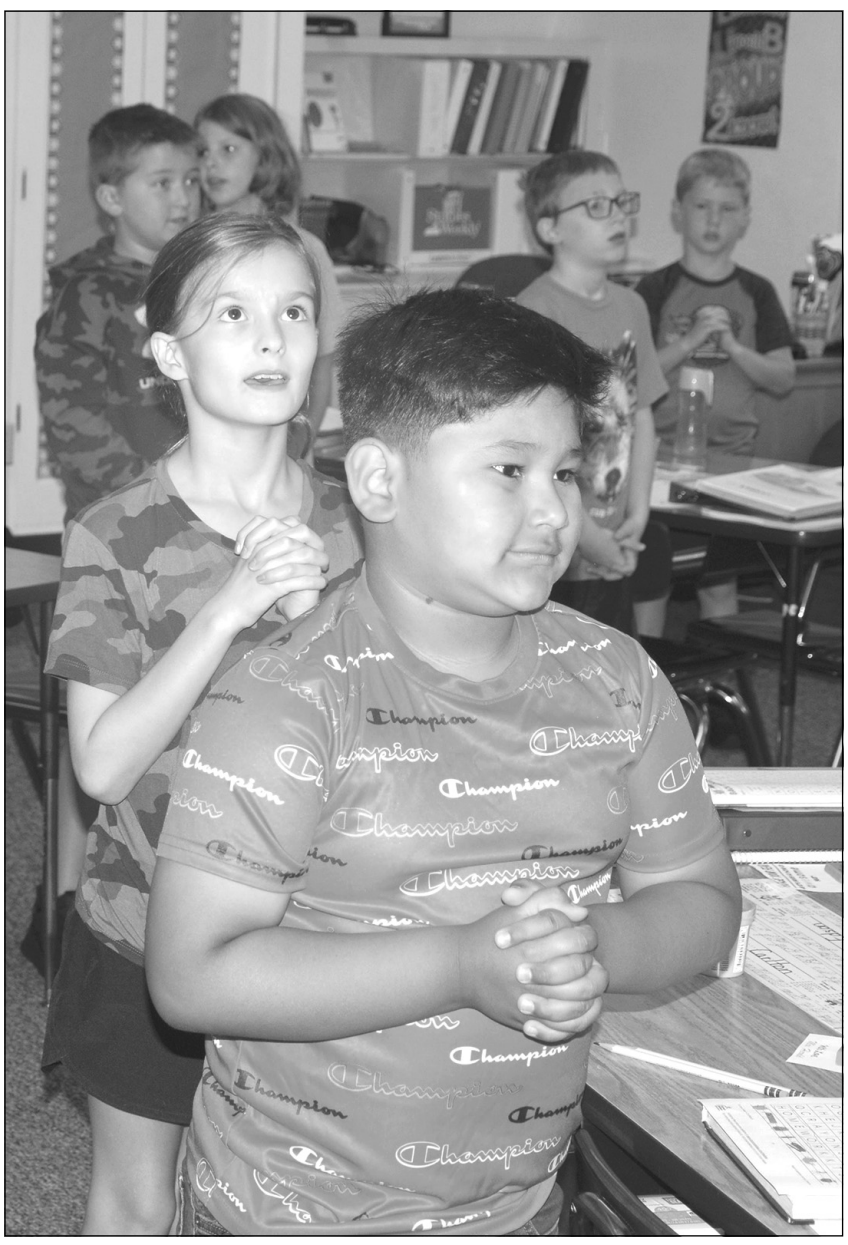
The sign in New Hampton Elementary School kindergarten teacher Cheri DeMary's room (above) says it all while Marley Reicks (right) shows what a great big sister she is as she wishes her little brother, Miller, well on his first day of kindergarten.

And so it begins ...

Snapshots from the first day of the 2022-23 school year

Jackson Nosbisch (left) check out the toys his transitional kindergarten teacher, Theresa Knutson, has in her classroom, while St. Joseph Community School kindergartners Vivian Lynch and Kinley Papousek (above) play together before teacher Jill Flugum puts them to work.



Students in St. Joseph Community School teacher Jenn Herold's room (left) kick off the year with a morning prayer while New Hampton Elementary School second-grader Arianna Venem gives one of her former teachers, Jessica Lechtenberg, a bracelet she made over the summer before heading to her new classroom.

First Day of School pictures by Bob Fenske

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Supervisors battle on ambulance issues

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"I get Mr. Kuhn's quest for equipment, and I understand that," he said. "However, you have multiple people from multiple sources with up to 45 years of experience tell you that a lot of this stuff isn't available but you're going to hinge your decision on one guy in Iowa Falls that's never done a consulting gig in the past. Take that into consideration before ... because my offer expires today."

McGrath also questioned Byrne's motives in supporting the new equipment that would be built by Life Line Emergency Vehicles, a firm based in Sumner, but bought through a different company — saying that the supervisor from Lawler who had "relations" working for Life Line.

Byrne countered with the fact that the offer was a good one.

"It's a local company, we have many taxpayers that work there," the supervisor said. "I mean if there was a company outside Chickasaw County that threw us this kind of deal to get ambulances, that would probably be a viable option, too."

He said with McGrath's equipment, "we've got no guarantee, we've got no warranty, we've got nothing."

Byrne added that company officials had told him that their price was "guaranteed if you ordered by the end of the month ... or probably be about a 9 percent increase if we wait past this month."

Supervisor Jake Hackman made the motion to buy McGrath's equipment, saying he was comfortable with basing the purchase on the appraisal made by Kolbet and adding that it was the best way for the county to guarantee it had the equipment it needs to start the service that will include six Chickasaw County cities — Alta Vista, Basset, Fredericksburg, Lawler, New Hampton and North Washington.

As he did a week ago, County Attorney David Laudner expressed concern about the fact that supervisors would be basing their decision on an appraisal that McGrath paid 424-Plus' Kolbet to provide him.

"I just want to make sure that you guys have all the documentation and more than enough documentation to prove what you're paying is reasonable," he said. "... Sooner or later, in some ways you're going to have to justify what you did, and the more documentation the better off you're going to be."

Laudner was quick to point out he wasn't questioning the credentials of Kolbet, a New Hampton native who has been in the ambulance business for more than 20 years.

When it came down to the vote to purchase McGrath's equipment, Hackman and Tim Zoll voted for it while Kuhn and Byrne voted against it.

So where does that leave supervisors in their quest for ambulances and equipment so Chickasaw County EMS is up and running by Jan. 1?

After the vote, Laudner asked them what concerned them the most?

"Is the hesitation to vote on Jeremy's that you want to make sure you have enough documentation to satisfy me and the private auditor and the federal government or is the hesitation the fact that you want new equipment. ... Those are two different tacks."

Byrne responded he had two concerns.

"I think it's what we're paying for used equipment and two, if we can get new equipment for the same price, why would you not?"

McGrath also said he would be willing to sign a no-compete agreement if the board purchases his equipment and that "maybe wait until next week and see what Steve thinks."

Kuhn said he would ask Larson for a "full comparison" between McGrath's offer and his proposal and would also email SafeTech officials to see if they can appraise McGrath's equipment and how much it would cost the county.

"I think SafeTech is out if it's going to take two or three weeks," Zoll said. "We don't have that time."

But it wasn't just equipment that led to rifts between the board members.

Hackman said the county must move ahead with getting a budget set up for the new service.

"When we get a director hired, he or she is going to have some kind of guidelines," he said. "Like how much money do I have to run this, x amount for the service?"

Hackman also questioned why board members received an email from Kuhn Sunday night, less than 13 hours before Monday's meeting, but the chairman said he wasn't "holding on" to information but instead, wanted to make sure he was providing his fellow board members with complete information.

Board members also didn't agree to appoint a medical director for the new service.

Byrne said he had talked to Dr. Lucas Brinkman, a Fredericksburg physician, who said he would be agreeable to take a paid position with the service, but Hackman wondered if anyone had reached out to doctors at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center.

When asked how much Brinkman would be paid, Byrne said that he would reach out to him this week, get a price and bring it back to the supervisors this coming Monday.

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New auditor takes oath

Sheila Shekleton (left) takes the oath of office from Chickasaw County Magistrate Judge Christine Skilton on Monday, Shekleton's first day as Chickasaw County's auditor.

Shekleton was appointed by the Board of Supervisors earlier this month and is replacing Stephanie Mashek, who resigned in July after serving in the position since January 2021.

The new auditor will serve until the results of the November election are canvassed by supervisors.

Lot of moving parts leads board to reject bids

SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

things around."

Darlene Schwickerath, who attended the meeting, said she was confused how the county could use two separate processes to sell the buildings, and County Attorney David Laudner explained that the board has wide latitude on how it sells county-owned property.

"There's really no restrictions on how you sell property," said Laudner, who added that the only things the county were required to do is publish a legal notice of its intent to sell the building and hold a public hearing on the sale before supervisors can make a final decision. ... They started a bidding process with that property [the Heritage], but they did not start a bidding process for the East Main property and again, that's their discretion."

The Heritage had been home to Inspiring Lives, a mental-health facility, for the past nine years, but the organization and the county couldn't agree on an lease extension earlier this year.

After Inspiring Lives vacated the property on June 30, supervisors decided to accept bids on the property and held two "open houses" so potential bidders could walk through the building and the grounds.

During an Aug. 8 meeting, Supervisor Jake Hackman expressed his opposition to the sale, but the rest of the board decided to go through with the bidding process, knowing the county had the option to reject all bids.

Now, the county may be looking for a new home for its Veterans Affairs and General Assistance offices, as well as several non-profit organizations who are currently located at 910 E. Main St.

That's because earlier this month, the board voted 4-1, with Kuhn casting the lone nay vote, to hold a public hearing to consider a $100,000 offer from a company that wants to put up a second Dollar General store on the 0.8-acre property.

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As you know, the stock market has attracted a lot of attention – and for good reason, as we've seen considerable volatility almost from the beginning of the year. But if you own bonds, or bond-based mutual funds, you might also have some concerns. However, it's important to understand why bonds should continue to be an important part of your portfolio.

To begin with, let's look at what's happened with bond prices recently. Inflation has heated up, leading the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates to help "cool off" the economy. And rising interest rates typically raise bond yields — the total annual income that investors get from their "coupon" (interest) payments. Rising yields can cause a drop in the value of your existing bonds, because investors will want to buy the newly issued bonds that offer higher yields than yours.

And yet, despite this possible drop in their value, the bonds you own can still help you make progress toward your financial goals. Consider these benefits of bond ownership:

• Income – No matter what happens to the value of your bonds, they will continue to provide you with income, in the form of interest payments, until they mature, provided the issuer doesn't default — and defaults are generally unlikely with investment-grade bonds (those rated BBB or higher). Your interest payments will remain the same throughout the life of your bond, which can help you plan for your cash flow and spending.

• Diversification – As you've probably heard, diversification is a key to successful investing. If you only owned one type of asset, such as growth stocks, and the stock market went into a decline, as has happened this year, your portfolio likely would have taken a big hit — even bigger than the one you may have experienced. But bond prices don't always move in the same direction as stocks, so the presence of bonds in your portfolio — along with other investments, such as government securities and certificates of deposit — can help reduce the impact of volatility on your holdings. (Keep in mind, though, that by itself, diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses in a declining market.)

• Reinvestment opportunities – As mentioned above, rising interest rates and higher yields may reduce the value of your current bonds, but this same development may also offer you some favorable reinvestment opportunities. If you own bonds of varying durations — short-, intermediate- and long-term — you should regularly have some bonds maturing. And in an environment such as the current one, you can reinvest the proceeds of your expiring short-term bonds into new ones issued at potentially higher interest rates. By doing so, you can potentially provide yourself with more income. Also, by owning a mix of bonds, you'll still have the longer-term ones working for you, and these bonds typically (but not always) pay a higher interest rate than the shorter-term ones.

It might not feel pleasant to see the current value of your bonds drop. But if you're not selling them before they mature, and you take advantage of the opportunities afforded by higher yields, you'll find that owning bonds can still be a valuable part of your investment strategy.

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Briefs

Charity Farm Pull to be held at Kenwood track this Sunday

There will be three tracks of pulling Sunday during the New Hampton area Charity Farm Pull. The event sign-up starts at 9 a.m., with action beginning at 11 a.m.

Pullers will be charged a $25 hook fee, but the admission for spectators is a free will donation, with all proceeds to benefit charity. Food will be provided by Bigfoot Lunch Stand, and coolers are allowed. The Lil' Wapsi Pullers will also be at the track, located at 1945 Kenwood Ave., New Hampton.

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Food, movie and popcorn event set for Sept. 4 at Iowa Dairy Center

A "Food Trucks & Moo-vie Night on the Farm" will be held at Iowa's Dairy Center — located just south of Calmar at 1527 Highway 150 South — on Sunday, Sept. 4.

The event, hosted by the Northeast Iowa Dairy & Agriculture Foundation, is a family-friendly event and is open to the public, beginning at 5 p.m. at Iowa's Dairy Center.

Guests are invited to try a variety of delicious food from local food trucks from 5-8 p.m. At dusk, attendees will be asked to find a place to sit on the lawn to enjoy the movie Barnyard, shown on an outdoor projector screen. The movie will begin around 8 p.m. Free popcorn sponsored by Iowa Corn will be provided with the movie.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their own blankets and lawn chairs for the viewing of the movie. Food Trucks & Moo-vie Night on the Farm is a weather permitting event. Weather updates will be posted on the Food Trucks & Moo-vie Night Facebook event page, along with additional information.

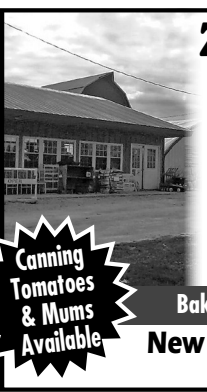
Don't Quit Your Day Job to perform at Mikkelson Park Sunday evening

The Don't Quit Your Day Job Big Band will hold its first concert in three years when it plays at Mikkelson Park this Sunday evening.

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. in the band shell at the park.

This is the 28th year the band has played, and one of the highlights of the Aug. 28 concert will be the debut of a new piece Gary Griffin had commissioned for the band to perform in 2020, but it didn't get the opportunity because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The rain location for the concert will be the New Hampton Elementary School Auditorium.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Sunday	81	55	--
Monday	81	55	--
Tuesday	80	60	--

Forecast

Thursday: Partly sunny but chance for storms; high 78, low 58.

Friday: Perfect day to kick off Friday Night Football with clear skies, high of 77 and low of 60.

Saturday: Partly sunny but chance of spotty rain showers; high 78, low 65.

Sunday: Partly sunny with chance of storms; high 81, low 65.

Extended forecast: Partly cloudy to start the work week but chance of storms continue with highs in the 80s and lows in the 60s.

Meetings

MONDAY

• Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courhouse board room.

History

• In 1875, Matthew Webb, a 27-year-old merchant navy captain, becomes the first known person to successfully swim the English Channel.

• In 1914, German troops stationed in the Belgian village of Louvain during the opening month of World War I burn and loot much of the town, executing hundreds of civilians.

• In 1944, after more than four years of Nazi occupation, Paris is liberated by French and American troops.

• In 1950, President Harry S. Truman orders the army to seize the nation's railroads in an effort to end a crippling strike.

• In 2009, Ted Kennedy, the so-called liberal lion of the Senate, dies at the age of 77.

Birthdays

• Ivan the Terrible, Russia's first czar, was born in 1530.

• American composer Leonard Bernstein, who wrote "West Side Story," was born in 1918.

• Gov. George Wallace, the Alabama segragist who later relied on the black vote to get elected, was born in 1919.

• Sean Connery, the British actor who was the first James Bond, was born in 1930.

• German supermodel Claudia Schiffer turns 52.

• Country singer Billy Ray Cyrus turns 61.

• American actor Tim Burton turns 64.

• MLB Hall of Fame pitcher Rollie Fingers turns 78.

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Darlene K. Miller, 70

Darlene K. Miller, age 70 of New Hampton, passed away at home on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022, with her family by her side.

Funeral services for Darlene will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday Aug. 29, 2022, at Prairie Lakes Church in New Hampton, with Cory Orr officiating the service.

Burial will be held at a later date.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022, at Conway-Markham Funeral Home in New Hampton and will continue at the church one hour prior to the funeral service on Monday.

Online condolences may be left at www.conway-markham-fh.com. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Darlene K was born Nov. 29, 1951, the daughter of Clifford and Onalee (Galli) Brown in Cedar Rapids.

She attended and graduated from Washington High School in Cedar Rapids. After completing her education, Darlene worked as a swim instructor at the YMCA.

She welcomed her children Shane in 1971 and Tonya in 1973. Darlene continued to care for her children.

On Feb. 24, 1978, she met the love of her life, Greg Miller, at Your Place or Mine in Reinbeck. After three days, Darlene was asked to "lock horns" with her new beau. The couple were united in marriage on Aug. 19, 1978, in Cedar Rapids.

The family made their home in Reinbeck. Through various career changes, the family finally settled in New Hampton in 1988. Darlene and Greg worked together raising pigs northwest of town and moved into town after a number of years.

Side by side, they took over management of the Northeast Iowa Swine Improvement Center. In 1991, the family settled at their current location south of town.

Darlene worked at Mr. Z's restaurant in Bassett and Great Plays Daycare and made an impact on everyone's life that she crossed paths with. Many of them will remember Darlene for her automatic answer when asked how she was doing, "I'm blessed and highly favored."

Darlene Miller

Darlene eventually developed a condition which cost her the majority of her vision and was approached by Gerald Johnson of the New Hampton Lions Club with an opportunity to work with a service dog, "Tages." Darlene and Tages were an exceptional team for 14 years. During that period of time, Darlene was diagnosed with breast cancer and numerous other health conditions.

Her positive attitude and strong faith helped her fight through her 22-year battle with cancer. She was able, however, to have opportunities to spend time with her friends, family and loved ones.

She thoroughly enjoyed traveling, camping and quilt making. Darlene took her last trip in December 2021 to Branson, Missouri, returning home to New Hampton until she was welcomed by God into Heaven on Aug. 20 with her family around her.

Those left to cherish Darlene's memory are her husband, Greg Miller of New Hampton; her children, Shane Burns of Cedar Rapids and Tonya Burke of New Hampton; her grandchildren, Jade (Bronson Schoonover) Halvorson of Fredericksburg, Tanisha Theis of New Hampton, Kody (Savannah Hauglum) Bill of Riceville, and Kolton Bill of Riceville; one great-grandchild and another on the way; her sister, Janice (Dennis) Meyers of Cedar Rapids; her brother, Leslie (Joni) Untiedt of Moberly, Missouri; and several extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; grandparents; her three brothers, Keith, Melvin and John; and one sister, Pam.

Lloyd E. Prilipp, 72

Lloyd E. Prilipp, age 72, of Bettendorf, passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, at the VA Hospital in Iowa City.

A Funeral Mass was held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2022, at St. John Vianney Church in Bettendorf.

Visitation was held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday August 22, 2022, at Weerts Funeral Home.

Inurnment will take place at a later date at the Rock Island National Cemetery.

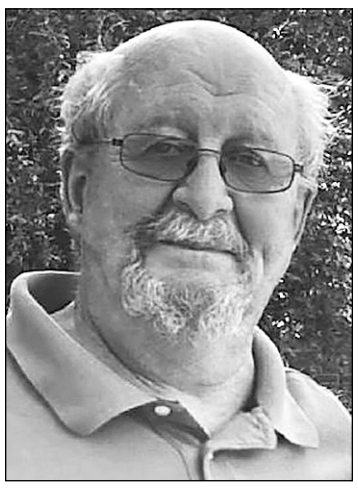
In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to the family. Online condolences may be expressed at www.weertsfh.com.

Lloyd was born on May 14, 1950, in Hampton to Virgil and Margery (Morrow) Prilipp.

He attended Hamilton Business College in Mason City, where he met the love of his life, Elaine Kout. They were married on Sept. 4, 1971 in Lawler.

Lloyd proudly served in the United States Navy, serving on the USS Saratoga from 1970-1979. He worked as a computer technician for AT&T for 25 years.

Lloyd was a member of St. John Vianney Church. He was better known by his friends and family as "Sweet and Loveable." He had a quirky sense of humor always showing up to family



Lloyd Prilipp

events dressed in various costumes and disguises to get a laugh out of his family. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

Lloyd is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Elaine; children, Michelle (Tim) Morrison, Christopher (Victoriana) Prilipp, and Anthony (Tiffany) Prilipp; grandchildren, Alexandra, Isabella, Kerrigan, Tessa, Anthony and Savannah; and his sisters, Nancy Moore and Eva Miller.

He is preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Roger.

Dale Edwin Christie, 67

Dale Edwin Christie, age 67 of Cedar Falls, died Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, at Unity Point Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo.

Dale is the brother of Pastor Mike Christie who previously served at the United Methodist Church in Fredericksburg.

The family will be holding a Celebration of Life at a later date. Arrangements are entrusted with Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in Fredericksburg

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

Property Transfers

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Duane E. Harper, 76

Duane E. Harper, age 76, of Waucoma, passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, with his wife by his side at Country Winds Manor in Cresco.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Stapleton, with Pastor Laurie Ludin-Nelson officiating the service.

Burial will follow at St. John's Cemetery at Stapleton.

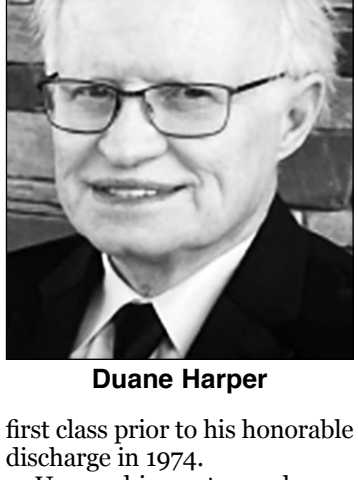
There will be a one-hour visitation at the church prior to the memorial service on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022.

Online condolences may be left at www.conway-markham-fh.com. Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Duane Eugene was born May 12, 1946, the son of Eldon and Fern (Folkerts) Harper in Hoisington, Kansas. He was raised on the Harper Family Century farm in Albert, Kansas. Duane attended school and graduated from Otis High School.

After completing his education, Duane attended Fort Hays State University where he earned his master's degrees in business and accounting.

In 1968, Duane enlisted in the United States Army Reserves. He proudly served his country as a senior drill instructor and achieved the rank of sergeant



Duane Harper

first class prior to his honorable discharge in 1974.

Upon his return home, Duane began his lifelong profession as an educator as he taught his passion of business.

In 1986, through a chance meeting, Duane bumped into a young, Charleen Dudley. The couple became friends and were united in marriage on March 26, 1988. Duane lovingly welcomed Charleen's children, Elizabeth and Christopher. Together the family welcomed daughters Victoria, Meredith and Monica.

The family has lived in Kansas and Texas and has called Iowa, "home," since 2000 when he accepted a job at Upper Iowa University until his retirement in 2010.

When Duane wasn't sharing his passion in the classroom, he was eager to share his love of collectable cars and tractors with his family and friends.

Duane was also a seasoned distance runner logging up to 16 miles per day until he was 50 years of age when his health no longer allowed him to run. He went on to coach his children in cross country and track. He could often be found at local cross country events.

Duane was also a proud cancer survivor, fighting prostate and pancreatic cancers. His family was his pride and joy and loved every moment shared with his wife, children and grandchildren.

He's been a lifelong Lutheran who was always active in his church.

Those left to cherish Duane's memories are his wife, Charleen Harper of Waucoma; his children, Elizabeth Peterson of Norman, Oklahoma, Christopher (Justin Jensen) Dudley of Independence, Missouri, Victoria (Marshall) Halverson of Altoona, Meredith (Layne) Huber of Algona, and Monica (Adam) Schmitt of West Union; eight grandchildren; and his extended family in Kansas.

He was preceded in death by his parent, Eldon (Fern) Harper; his siblings, Dennis Harper and Dixie Stein.

Joan M. Marcatante, 85

Joan M. Marcatante, age 85 of Alta Vista, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, at her daughter's home in Elba, Minnesota, surrounded by her loved ones.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 5 p.m. Friday, August 26, 2022, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton. Dinner will follow the service at the funeral home.

Friends may greet the family an hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

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

Joan was born on Aug. 16, 1937, in New Hampton, the daughter of Jeromy and Alice (Hilsman) White.

Joan moved to Waterloo in 1947 with her mother and sister. She graduated high school from Our Lady Of Victory Academy in Waterloo.

Joan then moved to Chicago, in 1957. There Joan met the love of her life, Frank Marcatante. They married on March 1, 1960, and had 62 wonderful years of marriage together. They raised two daughters, Rosemarie and Katherine.

Joan Marcatante

Joan was a wonderful mother, wife and friend. She enjoyed being a housewife, raising her daughters, and taking care of their home.

Joan also enjoyed sewing and making matching outfits for her daughters.

In 1976 Joan, Frank, and their two daughters moved to her hometown of Alta Vista. Joan then learned how to drive the school bus and drove for many years for the district of New Hampton. Joan also cleaned houses and became lifelong friends with several of her clients.

Joan was a very caring person and enjoyed camping, traveling with her family, knitting, crocheting, gardening, reading, doing search words, puzzles and baking.

Most of all Joan loved spending time with her husband, daughters, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends.

One of their favorite places to travel to was the Black Hills. Her favorite music to listen to was Vince Gill.

Joan is survived by her husband, Frank Marcatante; daughters, Rosemarie Kieffer (Gerald and Katherine Marcatante (Steve) Nelson; grandchildren, Nicole Hanna (Jake), Makel Gebel (Will), Nicholas Hanna (Brianna), and Jackelyn Gebel (Corey); eight great-grandchildren, Hailey, Lilley, Amelia, Addison, Annie, Evelyn, Harper and Miley; numerous step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and sister, Marie Dedic.

Joan is preceded in death by her father. Jerome; mother Alice White; great-grandchild, Emma; and numerous aunts and uncles.

News Bits From Our Past

Week of Aug. 21

1947 (75 years ago)

• The new heating system for the downtown section of New Hampton is making rapid progress toward the home stretch, since the rain, floods and mud gave way to dry weather and a chance for man and machinery to keep going.

It looks like the job will be completed this fall before the heat is needed in the downtown section. It is a very big and expensive job. It has caused a lot of inconveniences to those who use the downtown section.

But like all big and good things, it will be appreciated by the public.

• The proceeds of the picnic given by St. Mary's Church last Sunday amounted to around $2700.

Between 700 and 800 dinners were served and a nice sum was realized from the concessions and other sources. The money will be applied toward the big building project the parish will undertake before too long.

1972 (50 years ago)

• Over 500 area residents attended the Chickasaw County Market Hog Show and Barbeque last Tuesday evening at the Northeast Iowa Training Station near New Hampton.

The event was sponsored by the Chickasaw County Cooperative Swine Improvement Association, the Vocational Agricultural Departments and the County Extension Services.

The evening began with a barbeque, followed by the hog show and drawing for prizes. A special guest for the evening was Chickasaw County Pork Queen Kathy Treloar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Treloar of Sumner.

• Deep Rock Station 'N Store: Buy Up To 24 Bottles of Pepsi Cola for a nickel a bottle plus dep. with 10 gallons of gas; 6' Air Mattress, 67 cents; Baseball Glove and Ball, $1.99; Rubber Car Mats, All Sizes and Colors, 1/2 price; Wall Mount U.S. Flag Kit, $2.69; Ladies Straw Hats, FREE, with 10 gallon purchase of gas; Picnic Cooler, 1/2 Gal, Hot 'N Cold, 66 cents.

1997 (25 years ago)

• The 1997 Club Championship was played at the New Hampton Golf and Country Club recently. Scott Hogeland came from behind in the final round to beat young Derek Sauser for this third championship shooting 108 for a three-shot win in the 27-hole tournament.

In the ladies tournament, Karen Anderson fired an 80 to win the crown by six strokes over Diane Nelson in the 18-hole event. This was Anderson's 19th Club Championship.

In the handicap side of the tournament, the husband and wife duo of Cindy and Al Gilbert bested the field with the net scores of 62 and 60, respectively.

On Sale at Liddle's Super Valu: Coke, 24 pack, $4.19; Kraft Singles, $1.79 per package; Mayonaise, 2 jars for $3.00; Blue Bonnet Margarine, 2 1 Lb. sticks, 2 for 89 cents; Shaved Ham, $1.79 per Lb.; Lay's Potato Chips, 14 oz. bag, $2.19; Homepride White or Wheat Bread, $1.49; and 3 Piece Chicken Strip Dinner, choice of potato or cole slaw, $3.39.

2012 (10 years ago)

• The 2012 farming season has been rough. The drought continues, and Chickasaw County remains classified as suffering through a severe drought.

But ISU Extension Agronomist Terry Basol is hoping that a turnaround is underway. Rainfall amounts have varied, New Hampton has officially recorded 3.87 inches of precipitation so far this month. For all of August, the area averages 4.76 inches of rainfall.

• About 100 or so dogs attended the annual Spay and Neuter All Pets (SNAP) Doggie Swim. On a cool Sunday dogs of all sizes from New Hampton and the surrounding area gathered for their night at the pool.

The big winner was SNAP. Gayla Hugeback, one of the organization's board members, said more then $250 was raised and one of the two dogs currently under SNAP's care was adopted.

2017 (5 years ago)

• During cross country camp, participants had to run and took some rescue dogs along with them. It was an idea proposed last year to coach Jamie Quass, but it never happened until this year.

Two dogs from SNAP (Spay Neuter All Pets) organization, and one dog that belonged to an elderly woman, had some running and walking time from the runners, who also gave them some TLC.

• Chickasaw County will have its first complete flood plan map after the Board of Supervisors approved its adaption recently. The map, which was created by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, replaces the 1978 version that contained no information for a portion of the county.

The biggest change is that it covers the whole county. FEMA is updating the flood plain maps in response to the 2008 flood.

— News Bits From Our Past are compiled weekly by the Tribune's Terri Josephson

Bob Fenske/Tribune

Retired U.S. Admiral Michael Franken (above), who is squaring off with longtime U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley makes a point while Iowa House candidate Dene Lundberg (below) does the same during a Democratic Party event that was held at the Gateway to Northeast Iowa Welcome Center in Nashua this past Saturday.

Dem candidates hold rally in Nashua

Franken makes first appearance in the county; Prichard urges candidates to door knock

By Bob Fenske
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If area Democrats learned anything during a Meet the Senate District 29 Candidates event that was held Saturday afternoon in Nashua, it was this: Door knocking is critical.

That's because current State Rep. Todd Prichard, who is not seeking reelection this fall and who moderated the event, kept bringing it up.

"I think it's critically important to get out there and meet people," he said, "especially in an area like ours. … Let's be honest, this isn't the most Democratic part of the state, and my district probably leaned red more than blue and I really believe getting out there and knocking on doors, having volunteers do the same, is the reason I won five elections."

So as Prichard introduced the slew of candidates — Admiral Michael Franken, who is running for U.S. Senate; Eric VanLancker, who is running for lieutenant governor; Jenn Wolff, who is running in State Senate District 29; Dene Lundberg, who is running for the Iowa House District 58 seat; and Carissa Froyum, who is running for the House District 57 seat — he

made a point to encourage them, especially those running for the Legislature, to hit the pavement and walk the streets of their districts.

About three dozen residents turned out for the event, which was highlighted by an appearance by Franken.

The retired three-star admiral is running against longtime U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley, who is seeking an eighth term in the Senate, and while he knows his task is daunting, he told the crowd that Iowa deserves a change.

"What we're seeing more and more is that what voters want to talk about is the person and not the party," he said, "and in my opinion, my opponent is all about the Republican Party. We have to get away from this 'Trumpism' and start being civil to each other, start working together."

It was a common theme throughout the event, and those running for the Iowa Legislature emphasized their support for public education, more mental health services for rural Iowa and the urgency of being able to have a buffer against Gov. Kim Reynolds.

"Public money should only go to public schools," said Wolff, who is facing State Rep. Sandy Salmon in November. "I will say it over and over again; if we don't elect Democrats, they're going to win on vouchers and that would be a tragedy."

School Board bets natural gas prices will go up

District locks in its price for the year; board appoints three student members

By Bob Fenske
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The New Hampton School Board last week "rolled the dice," and Superintendent Jay Jurrens believes the board made a good bet.

Granted, Jurrens isn't making any guarantees but he does believe the board made a good call when it voted 4-1 to join a local government risk pool for natural gas.

Basically, it works like this. New Hampton will spend a little more than $217,000 for natural gas during the next year. That figure is locked in, no matter what happens to the cost of natural gas this coming winter.

"I don't think I've ever seen natural gas [prices] go down in the winter," Jurrens said, "and everything we're hearing is that prices could really go up, especially after the election this year. It was a tough decision, but I told them, if they go up like people are talking, you will look like geniuses, but yes, we're taking a chance."

The risk pool takes a district's average use of natural gas over the past several years and then adds 25 percent to come up with an annual expense.

The lone dissenting vote came from board member Tim Denner.

"I understand it," Jurrens said, "but I think it's worth a try and if it doesn't work, we're only obligated to one year. This would be something we have to vote on every year so for one year, it's worth a try."

Also during last Monday's meeting the School Board made its decision on its student board member of the upcoming year, and actually, it should be board members.

Three seniors — Catherine Pethoud, Aydin Ries and Quinten Reicks — applied for the non-voting position on the board, and after all three went through their interviews, the voting board members decided to appoint all three.

"First, it was going to be a very difficult decision to appoint just one," Jurrens said, "and second, all three of these students are really busy. The board just felt they could all bring something to the table. It's a new situation, but we're excited to have all three on board."

Jurrens said the board approval of personnel items also created, at least for him, a new situation.

That's because the district now has three "temporary" teachers — Barb Havlik, who will teach elementary special education instructor; Linda Wright, who will teach high school science; and Al Nielsen, who will take over industrial technology for both the high school and middle school.

Unlike typical teacher contracts that cover an entire school year, the temporary teachers have signed contracts for just the first semester.

"I've never had a temporary contract and now we have three," Jurrens said, "and it's becoming more and more common. For those who don't think there's a teacher shortage out there, my rebuttal is the temporary contracts you're seeing these days."

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Photo courtesy of Randy Gorres

A healthy Inclusive Park donation!

Members of the New Hampton Lions Club donate a check for $6,259 to Inclusive Park Committee members Christina Carlton and Jennifer Monteith. The check represents the proceeds from the 2022 Pancake and French Toast Breakfast that was held this past March.

Photo courtesy of Michelle Kobliska-Adams

Lemonade for a great cause!

During the recent Arts Safari program that is sponsored by the New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department, participants created their own lemonade stand, and they did well, very well, in fact, as they raised $177 for the Inclusive Playground project.

Dairy exhibitors claim champion titles at State Fair Ayrshire Show

Top dairy farms competed for honors in the Ayrshire Dairy Cattle show judged Friday, Aug. 12, at the Iowa State Fair.

Two local dairies earned awards, including:

Fall Heifer Calf -- Sept. 1 - Nov. 30, 2021

4) Jason Steinlage Family, Lawler, Heaven Hills Hat Trick Mirage

9) Jason Steinlage Family, Lawler, Hardy-Farm Ringer Kelly

Summer Yearling Heifer -- June 1 - Aug. 31, 2021

3) Mueterthies Dairy, Lawler, Arthuracres Ringer Alyssa

Junior Two Year Old Cow -- March 1 - Aug. 31, 2020

3) Jason Steinlage Family, Lawler, Miss Gentleman Majito

Cow Four Years Old -- Sept. 1, 2017 - Aug. 31, 2018

3) Mueterthies Dairy, Lawler, Hi-Ayr-View Predator Madison

— See more State Far results in upcoming issues of the Tribune

Cedar Valley Hospice to hold butterfly release fundraiser

Celebrate someone you love at the 11th annual Cedar Valley Hospice Release and Remember fundraiser on Sunday, Sept. 11.

This no-cost, meaningful event draws hundreds of supporters to the banks of the Cedar River for an afternoon that has become a tradition of honoring our family, friends and neighbors in an extraordinary way.

A short program and the release of 1,000 monarch butterflies will take place at 2:30 p.m. at the Waterloo RiverLoop Amphitheatre. Food (while supplies last), kids activities and live music with Flatland Ridge will be from 1 to 3 p.m.

Community members are encouraged to dedicate one or several butterflies as a tribute to someone important to them.

For each donation of $25, a butterfly will be dedicated in their honor. Tribute names will be displayed at the event if the donation is received by Aug. 26.

Release & Remember T-shirts are also for sale for $15 at any Cedar Valley Hospice location (excluding the Hospice Home) and at the event while supplies last.

At the event, wheelchair ushers will be on hand at the handicap accessible entrance to the Amphitheatre near the Phelps Youth Pavilion where extra handicap parking is also available.

For more information or to dedicate a butterfly, visit www.cvhospice.org.

Legal Notice • Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY

MICHAEL MULHERN & BONNIE MULHERN as Coexecutors of the CECEILA J. SCHIMMEL ESTATE,
Petitioners,
Vs.
DONALD KRUGER (Dec'd), KERRY, KRUGER (Dec'd), PATRICIA KRUGER, KELSEY AHRENS, KRAIG KRUGER, DONALD KRUGER, KENT KRUGER, (Dec'd), JOAN KRUGER, KIMBERLY CAPRON, MICHELLE CERWINSKE, AMY HELMKAMP, DAVID KRUGER, VERLYN KRUGER(Dec'd), KANDI KRUGER, RICHARD KRUGER, PAU L KRUGER, SUSAN KRUGER, GARY KRUGER, DAROL KRUGER (Dec'd), LAWRENCE DEGENER(Dec'd), LARRY DEGENER, RUTH ANN KRUGER DUNLAP (Dec'd), RICHARD DUNLAP, JEFFREY DUNLAP, JULIE HELTBRIDLE, TILL IVERSON, VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY, LUTHERAN HOUR OF SAINT LOUIS, HOME FOR AGED LUTHERANS n/k/a THE LUTHERAN HOME, INC., BETHESDA LUTHERAN HOME OF WATERTOWN WI, ST. JOHNS LUTHERAN CHURCH OF PORTAGE WISCONSIN, n/k/a ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, PORTAGE, WI INC., AND THEIR UNKNOWN SPOUSES AND THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS AND ASSIGNS, PARTIES IN POSSESSION, AND ANY AND ALL CLAIMANTS IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE:

The North 1/2 of the SW 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, of Section 25, and the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 26, Township 95 North, Range 14 West of the 5th P.M. in Chickasaw County, Iowa.

Respondents.

CASE NO. EQCV004329

ORIGINAL NOTICE

TO SUSAN KRUGER, BETHESDA LUTHERAN HOME, UNKNOWN SPOUSES, UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS, PARTIES IN POSSESSION AND ANY AND ALL CLAIMANTS:

You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court naming you as a defendant in this action, which petition prays that title and estate in the premises described as N 1/2 SW 1/4 and SW 1/4 SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 25 and SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section26, Township 95 North, Range 14, West of the 5th P.M. Chickasaw County, Iowa on the Cecelia Schimmel Estate hereafter be quieted and confirmed as an absolute title in fee simple; that the Defendants be forever barred and estopped from having or claiming any right, title or interest thereto, and for such other relief as the Court deem just and equitable in the premises. The name and address of the attorney for the plaintiffs is Nathaniel William Schwickerath, 2069 170th Street, New Hampton, Iowa 50659. The attorney's phone number is 641-394-5252; facsimile number is 888-872-8570.

You must serve a motion or answer on or before September 21, 2022 , and within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Chickasaw County, at the courthouse in New Hampton, Iowa. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

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

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Iowa Judicial Branch Case No
EQCV004329
County Chickasaw

Case Title CECELIA SCHIMMEL ESTATE ET AL VS DONALD KRUGER ET

You must file your Appearance and Answer on the Iowa Judicial Branch eFile System, unless the attached Petition and Original Notice contains a hearing date for your appearance, or unless the court has excused you from filing electronically (see Iowa Court Rule 16.302).

Register for the eFile System at www.iowacomts.state.ia.us/Efile to file and view documents in your case and to receive notices from the court.

For general rules and information on electronic filing, refer to the Iowa Rules of Electronic Procedure in chapter 16 of the Iowa Court Rules at www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/CourtRulesChapter/16.pdf. Court filings are public documents and may contain personal information that should always be kept confidential. For the rules on protecting personal information, refer to Division VI of chapter 16 of the Iowa Court Rules and to the Iowa

Judicial Branch website at W\ vw.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public!representing-yourself/protect-personal-information/.

Scheduled Hearing:

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Date Issued 07/11/2022 09:41:53 AM

District Clerk of Court or/by Clerk's Designee of Chickasaw County

/s/ Theresa Jeffrey

No. 22181
08/18/22 08/25/22 09/01/22

Legal Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE

Jerico Construction plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit

General Permit No. 2 - Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities

The storm water discharge will be from: Construction of concrete manure pit under slats located in SW 1/4, Section 13, T97N, R13W,Howard Township, Howard County.

Storm water will be discharged from 1 point source(s) and will be discharged to the following streams: Field waterway to unnamed tributary to Crane Creek to Little Turkey River.

Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Services Division, 502 E 9th St, Des Moines IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00am to 4:30pm,Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department.

No. 22277
08/25/22

Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
Donna Murray, Deceased,
CASE NO. ESPR003064
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF, APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Donna Murray, Deceased, who died on or about, July 18, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on August 11, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Donna Murray, deceased, bearing date of November 3, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Jim Murray was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be 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 August 11, 2022.

Jim Murray, Executor of Estate, 3196 250th St., ,Waucoma, IA 52171

Michael K. Kennedy, ICIS#: AT0004194,Attorney for Executor Kennedy & Kennedy,12 E. Main S PO Box 406,New Hampton, IA 50659,

Date of second publication: 08/25/22

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Board Proceedings

The Board of Directors for the New Hampton Community School District met in regular session, Monday, August 15, 2022, in the High School Media Center. President Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with Directors A. Schwickerath, N. Schwickerath, Ayers, Denner, Superintendent Jurrens and Board Secretary Roethler present.

Director Denner moved to approve the agenda. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director Ayers moved to approve the consent agenda items excluding the CWC Payments. Approve minutes of the July 18, 2022, regular session and minutes of the August 1, 2022, work session. Approve the July monthly financial report and the August 2022 bill listing. Approve the hiring of Barb Havlik as a temporary special ed teacher for the first semester and Linda Wright as a temporary high school science teacher for the first semester. Approve Gretchen Johnson and Rick Kemp as elementary paraeducators. Allison Mai as a middle school paraeducator, and Trista Hackman as a part-time paraeducator (4 days a week) in the three-year-old preschool program and to cover other coverage needs Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens brought up the discussion of choosing our financial institution. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the switch of financial institutions to First Citizens Bank with reasonable time frame to make the change. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: Ayers

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve President Matthews and Board Secretary/Treasurer Christy Roethler as Designee Signers, Sue Bouska and Emily Rausch Electronic Access. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens gave an update on the CWC followed up with a discussion between board members.

Director Ayers moved to approve the Aydin Ries, Catherine Pethoud and Quinten Reicks as the 2022-2023 Student Board Members. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

The Board took up and considered matters relating to participating in a joint agreement relating to the establishment of a local government risk pool.

After due consideration and discussion, Director Nate Schwickerath introduced the resolution below and moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Director Adam Schwickerath. After due consideration, the President put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Directors voted:

Ayes:Nate Schwickerath, Adam Schwickerath, Jay Matthews and Bob Ayers

Nays:Tim Denner .

Whereupon, the President declared the resolution duly adopted, as follows:

BOARD RESOLUTION TO JOIN IOWA LOCAL GOVERNMENT RISK POOL RESOLUTION NO. __81522_

Resolution approving the participation by the School District in a joint agreement establishing local government risk pools

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the New Hampton Community School District in the County (Counties) of Chickasaw, State of Iowa (the "School District") is required by Section 274.3 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, to operate, control and supervise all public schools within the boundaries of the School District and is authorized to exercise any broad and implied power not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Iowa and administrative rules adopted by state agencies pursuant thereto, related to the operation, control and supervision of those public schools; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 670.7, subsection 1 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, the School District may join and pay funds into a local government risk pool to protect the School District against any and all liability, loss of property, or any other risks associated with the operation of the School District and the costs of local government risk pools shall be included in the School District's management levy as provided in Section 296.7 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, or, if the School District has not certified a management levy, the costs shall be paid from the School District's general fund; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 296.7 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, the School District may enter into agreements obligating the School District to make payments beyond its current budget year to establish and maintain local government risk pools to protect the School District from tort liability, loss of property, environmental hazards or any other risk associated with the operation of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the School District is authorized pursuant to Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa, as amended, to enter into joint agreements with other public agencies and with private agencies (both as defined therein) for the joint exercise of powers, privileges and authorities exercised or capable of being exercised by the School District; and

WHEREAS, because of the fluctuation of the costs of natural gas and variability of the quantities of natural gas used by the School District caused by changes in winter weather conditions, it is in the best interests of the School District to enter into a joint agreement with other public agencies, in substantially the form as has been presented to and considered by the Board (the "Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement" or the "Agreement") providing for the forming and creation of the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Commission (the "Commission") for the purpose of establishing one or more local government risk pools (together, the "Local Government Risk Pools") to help the participating public agencies mitigate budget risks associated with winter heating and other natural gas consumption, to enter into contractual arrangements with private parties to access natural gas for the benefit of the participating public agencies, to establish premiums to be paid by the participating public agencies, to pool their risks and stabilize gas prices annually and to facilitate the purchase by and delivery to the participating public agencies of natural gas periodically;

NOW, THEREFORE, It Is Hereby Resolved by the Board of Directors of the School District, as follows:

Section 1.The participation by the School District in the Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement and the Local Government Risk Pools established in accordance therewith are hereby approved.

Section 2.The Iowa Local Government Risk Pool Agreement is hereby approved, and the President and Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to accept and execute the same and any related documents for and on behalf of the School District.

Section 3.The Board shall determine from time to time which, if any, of the Local Government Risk Pools established by the Commission are appropriate for the School District to participate in and shall enter into such related documents and agreements as may be necessary in connection therewith and the President and Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute the same for and on behalf of the School District.

Section 4.To the extent that the School District incurs obligations to pay premiums or other costs in connection with such Local Government Risk Pools, the Board agrees to include in its annual budget sufficient funds to pay such obligations each fiscal year from its management levy and/or general fund levy.

Section 5.The President and the Board Secretary (or their acting designees) are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all agreements, documents and instruments required in connection with the Agreement and to carry out the purposes set forth in this resolution.

Section 6.All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed and approved the 15th day of August 2022. Jay Matthews President, Board of Directors

Attest: Christy L. Roethler Secretary, Board of Directors

Superintendent Jurrens presented the fuel bids. The district received two bids for Diesel and Fuel from Five Star Co-op and Kwik Star. Director N. Schwickerath moved to accept the Diesel bid/E-85 blend from Five Star and the unleaded gasoline bid from Kwik Star. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens present the LP Bids. The district received three bids for LP from Five Star Co-op, Ag Vantage and Consolidated Energy. Director Denner moved to approve the LP bid from Five Star Co-op. Director N. Schwickerath seconded them motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Director Denner moved to approve the cheerleading fundraiser for 2022-2023 school year. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens and President Matthews presented information on adding a Middle School trapshooting league. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the addition of the Middle School Trapshooting League. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayes: Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none. Abstain: Matthews

Director Ayers moved to appoint Denner as the IASB Delegate Assembly Representative and to vote affirmative. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

The next regular board meeting will be September 19, 2022, at 6:30 pm. There will be a Goal Setting work session prior to the meeting at 5:30 pm.

Director Denner moved to adjourn at 7:47 pm. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayes: Matthews, Denner, A. Schwickerath, Ayers, and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

August 2022, General Fund (10)

Vendor Name	Amount
Ag Vantage FS	1,358.70
Amazon Capital Services	16,352.40
American Library Association	141.24
Arbor Scientific	379.90
Bercik, Kassie	84.90
BIO Corporation	364.19
Black Hills Energy	1,319.58
Blackhawk Automatic Sprinkler	645.00
Blick Art Materials	469.87
Brainspring	16.98
Carolina Biological Supply	1,503.75
CARQUEST OF NEW HAMPTON	65.14
Carson-Dellosa Publishing Co.	124.86
Cedar Rapids Community Schools	1,846.13
Chickasaw Wellness Complex	10,200.00
Circle K Communications	1,340.08
City Laundering Co	566.60
City of New Hampton	15,699.75
Delphi Glass	353.38
Demco	132.84
Dept. of Administrative Services	650.00
Dungey's Furniture	24.00
Five Star Cooperative	2,469.08
Flinn Scientific Inc	6,601.80
Follett School Solutions, Inc	2,442.00
Fund Total:	$218,787.05
Geerts Plumbing & Heating	2,416.06
Gopher Sports	2,663.97
Hanson Tire Service	32.00
Interstate All Battery Center	1,913.80
Iowa Assoc. of School Business Officials	325.00
Iowa Division of Labor	160.00
Jendro Sanitation Services Inc	1,117.67
John Deere Financial	76.97
Kayser-Kemp, Karen	24.00
Keystone Area Education	450.00
Kuennen, Morgan	67.57
Kwik Star	698.20
L & R Manufacturing, LLC	1,632.87
Lakeshore Learning Materials	315.88
Larry's Sales & Service	28.00
Larsen Lawn & Landscaping LLC	8,308.60
Madison National Life Insurance	475.55
Maple Flooring Manufacturers Assoc.	2,301.52
McGraw Hill School Education Holdings LLC	27,295.56
Mercy Medical Center	4,375.00
Mick Gage Plumbing	1,154.70
Mid-American Research Chemical	254.66
Midwest Group Benefits, Inc.	646.00
Mohawk Electric	77.00
Morris Landscaping	475.47
NAPA Auto Parts	12.79
Nasco	108.75
New Hampton Tribune	4,705.40
NewzBrain Education	109.00
NHMU Fiber	300.00
Novel Effect	99.00
Office World	4,835.09
Oriental Trading Company Brands, INC	688.54
OXEN	8,396.00
Pearson Education	675.00
Phillips Refrigeration	68.00
PowerSchool Group LLC	6,134.86
Principal Life Insurance Company	126.73
QuiverVision	60.00
Rausch Bros Trucking	384.79
Really Good Stuff LLC	121.43
Really Great Reading Company	878.08
Regents of University of Minnesota	75.00
Rieman Music, Inc	39.69
Riley's Inc.	109.95
Rochester 100	290.00
Rosonke, Bob	350.00
SAVVAS Learning Company LLC	14,409.76
Schnobelen, Richard	75.00
School Bus Sales	522.12
School Specialty, LLC	4,166.56
Schueth Ace Hardware	884.75
Sherwin-Williams Co	908.14
Smith, Jessen	600.00
State Chemical Solutions	1,029.86
Sumner-Fredericksburg Community School District	8,394.60
Super Teacher Worksheets	24.95
Superior Lumber, Inc.	29.17
Swehla, Janell	75.00
Teacher Innovations	55.50
Teachers Pay Teachers (Teacher Synergy LLC)	53.00
Teaching Strategies, LLC	655.20
thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation	338.76
Timberline Billing Service LLC	984.16
Tripoli Community School District	3,333.60
Turkey Valley Community School	4,427.66
Visa	6,619.65
Wagoner Bros. Repair	3,915.97
Walmart.com	222.88
Ward's Natural Science	50.95
Waverly Shell-Rock School	12,207.20
Weber Paper Company - Division of Capital Sanitary	58.61
WeVideo, Inc.	717.60
WEX BANK	340.95
Windstream	1,956.67
Woodburn Press	647.46
Zeien, Tom	75.00
Management Fund (22)	
Iowa Workforce Development - Unemployment	5,149.28
Midwest Group Benefits, Inc.	2,160.00
Capital Projects (33)	
Chickasaw Wellness Complex	2,000.00
FEHR GRAHAM Engineering & Environmental	1,356.75
Holthaus Construction, LLC	13,498.90
Schoolboardnet.llc	2,360.00
Stanton Electric	27,759.12
Fund Total:	$7,309.28
Fund Total:	$46,974.77
Physical Plant & Equipment (36)	
Marco, Inc.	1,546.39
Fund Total:	$1,546.39

Attest: August 15, 2022
Jay Matthews Board President
Christy Roethler Board Secretary

No. 22278
08/25/22

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Sealed bids may be delivered to the office of Elwood, O'Donohoe, Braun & White, 101 North Locust Avenue, New Hampton, Iowa by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 29, 2022. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in the office of Elwood, O'Donohoe, Braun & White, 101 North Locust Ave., New Hampton, Iowa. Any person having submitted a sealed bid may be present and will have the right to raise his bid at that time. The successful bidder will be required to pay 10% down on the date of sale. Balance of purchase price will be paid on September 30, 2022. Seller reserves the right to reject all bids. Announcements made the day of sale take precedence.

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Applicants may apply online at www.floydco.iowa.gov or submit applications or resumes to Floyd County Engineer, 101 S Main St, Ste 201, Charles City, IA 50616; 641-257-6151

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, PROPOSED FORM OF CONTRACT, AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR FURNISHING SCADA READY PADMOUNT SWITCHGEAR FOR NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT, NEW HAMPTON, IOWA.

Notice is hereby given that the Electric Utility Board of the New Hampton Municipal Light Plant,

New Hampton, Iowa will meet at the Downtown Utilities Office, 112 East Main Street, New Hampton, Iowa 50659 on September 12, 2022 at 5:00 PM, at which time and place the Electric Utility Board will consider the adoption of plans and specifications, proposed form of contract and estimate of cost for the above referenced improvement, which are now on file in the Downtown Utilities Office. At said meeting the Electric Utility Board will receive and consider any objections to said plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost made by any interested party.

The materials to be supplied are described in general as follows:

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The materials are part of a distribution system public improvement project which will be located at various locations throughout the City of New Hampton, Iowa.

Publication upon order of the Electric Utility Board of New Hampton Municipal Light Plant, New Hampton, Iowa.

Dated this 25th day of August 2022.

NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL, LIGHTPLANT, NEW HAMPTON, IOWA

By /s/ Brian Quirk General Manager

ATTEST: Becky Babcock, Office Manager

No. 22256
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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONALD L. MOOTHART, Deceased PROBATE NO. ESPR003063 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To: All Persons Interested in the Estate of Donald L. Moothart, Deceased, who died on or about May 29, 2022:

You are hereby notified that on August 2, 2022, the Last Will and Testament of Donald L. Moothart, deceased, bearing the date of July 7, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Gregory S. Moothart was appointed Executor of the Estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one (1) 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 (4) months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one (1) month from the date of mailing of this Notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2022.

Gregory S. Moothart, Executor, 300 Walnut Street, Unit 66, Des Moines, IA 50309

Kayla L. Sproul, Bradshaw, Fowler, Proctor & Fairgrave, P.C., 801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3700, Des Moines, IA 50309-8004, Attorneys for Estate

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all the qualified Electors of Chickasaw County, Iowa and Butler County, Iowa are hereby notified that a Special Nashua-Plainfield Community School Election will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 in Accordance with Chapter 49.53 of the Iowa Code.

For the Nashua-Plainfield Community School Special Election to be held September 13, 2022, the voters of the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District residing in Chickasaw County, Iowa and Butler

County, Iowa may vote at the following polling location:

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

The polls for said election will be open at 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM. If voters have questions contact the Election Office at 641-394-2100.

Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before receiving and casting a regular ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered-such as voters registering to vote on election day, may register and vote at the voting center provided that person has appropriate identification and is a resident of the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District, Chickasaw County.

A voter who is unable to provide an approved form of identification (or prove residence if required) may 1) have the voter's identity/residence attested to by another registered voter in the precinct 2) prove identify and residence using Election Day Registration documents, or 3) cast a provisional ballot and provide proof of identity/residence at the County Auditor's Office by Noon on Monday, September 19, 2022. Election Day Registrant attesters must provide an approved form of identification. For additional information about providing proof of identity and/or residence visit: https://sos.iowa.gov/voterid or phone 641-394-2100.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance by a person of the voter's choice, other than the voter's employer or agent of that employer or officer or agent of the voter's union.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 52.35 of the IOWA CODE that the duly authorized agents of the Chickasaw County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections shall publicly examine and test all voting machines to be used for the September 13, 2022 Election.

PUBLIC TEST FOR VOTING EQUIPMENT. A public test of the voting equipment to be used in the Special Election will be held on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 9:30 AM in the Meeting room (room behind the Driver's License) located on the 1st floor of the Courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

SET FORTH herein is a sample ballot below. I hereby certify that this is a correct copy f the sample ballot to be voted at the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District Special Election to be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, in the County of Chickasaw, State of Iowa.

Sheila Shekleton Chickasaw County Auditor & Commissioner of Elections

Nashua-Plainfield Community School District Public Measure

Summary: To adopt a Revenue Purpose Statement specifying the use of revenues the Nashua-

Plainfield Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced

Vision for Education Fund.

In the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District, the following Revenue Purpose Statement

which specifies the use of revenues the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District will

receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund shall be adopted.

To provide funds to acquire or install information technology infrastructure (including improving buildings or sites for the purpose of accessing broadband digital telecommunications) and school safety and security infrastructure.

To provide funds to build and furnish a new school building or buildings; to build and furnish addition(s) to school buildings in the District; to remodel, reconstruct, repair, expand, and improve the school buildings in the District; to purchase and improve grounds; for demolition work; to furnish and equip district facilities.

To provide funds for the purchase, lease or lease-purchase of buildings, equipment (including transportation and recreation equipment), or technology and to repair transportation equipment for transporting students as authorized by law, to implement energy conservation measures, sharing or rental of facilities including a joint infrastructure project for the purposes of offering classes under district-to-community college programs as authorized in Iowa Code Section 423F.3(3)(c), procuring or

acquisition of libraries, or opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings.

To provide funds to purchase land as part of start-up costs for new student construction program or if the sale of the previous student construction was insufficient to purchase land, and to purchase

construction materials and supplies for a student-constructed building or shed intended to be retained by and used by the District.

To provide funds to make payments to a municipality or other entity as required under Iowa Code Section 403.19(2).

To provide funds for demolition, cleanup, and other costs if such costs are necessitated by, and incurred within two years of, a disaster.

To provide funds to establish and maintain public recreation places and playgrounds; provide for supervision and instruction for recreational activities; or for community education purposes.

To provide funds for the payment of principal and interest or retirement of general obligation bonds issued for school infrastructure purposes, energy improvement loans, loan agreements authorized by Iowa Code Section 297.36, sales, service and use tax revenue bonds issued under Iowa Code Section 423E.5 or Iowa Code Section 423F.4.

To provide funds for property tax relief; and To provide funds for other authorized expenditures and purposes as now or hereafter permitted by law and designated by the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District.

It being understood that if this proposition should fail to be approved by the voters, such failure shall not be construed to terminate or restrict authority previously granted by the voters to expend receipts from the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.

If approved, this Revenue Purpose Statement shall remain in effect until replaced or amended by the Nashua-Plainfield Community School District

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES AUGUST 15, 2022

The Board convened on Monday, August 15, 2022, at 9:00 am with members Breitbach, Byrne, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Deputy Auditor Donna Geerts, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Amy Laures, Kathy Shekleton, Jeremy McGrath, and Bob Fenske, member of the media.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to approve the agenda for August 15, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from August 8, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Assessor Ray Armel was present at 9:04 am.

Public comment-Amy Laures stated she wanted to clarify the ambulance service in Elma is fully staffed 24/7 at the Elma Emergency Services Building. Alta Vista would only be without coverage when the ambulance is out on another call.

Bids for the sale of the property at 2275 S Linn Ave, New Hampton, Iowa, known as the former Heritage Building, will be opened August 22, 2022, at the Board of Supervisors' meeting. If property sold, County will work with the Pioneer Cemetery Commission to mark the cemetery. Hackman shared a proposed floor plan of the Heritage Building if County does not sell the property.

Sheriff Department employees Ryan Shawver, Jordan Gansen, Cathy Knutson, and Marty Hemann were present at 9:09 am.

Mike Kennedy present at 9:13 am.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to approve RESOLUTION NO. 08-15-22-61 A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH A PROPOSAL TO SELL THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 910 E. MAIN STREET IN NEW HAMPTON AND NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED SALE. WHEREAS, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors proposes to sell the real property located at 910 E. Main Street in New Hampton (Parcel Nos. 19-10-07-1-26-347 and 19-10-07-1-26-348, and legally described as Lots One through Twelve in the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of the-Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 95 North, Range 12 West of the 5 th P.M.) to The Overland Group, LLC, for $100,000.00; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Iowa Code section 331.361(2) the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors is required to set forth its proposal to sell the real property in a resolution and publish notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the proposal to sell the real property. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors proposes to sell the real property located at 910 E. Main Street in New Hampton to The Overland Group, LLC, for $100,000.00, and will hold a public hearing on the proposal at 9:30 a.m. on August 29, 2022, in the boardroom on the second floor of the Chickasaw County Courthouse in New Hampton; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that public comment on the proposed sale of the real property will be accepted by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors at the public hearing or may be submitted in writing to the Chickasaw County Auditor before 4:00 p.m. on August 26, 2022.; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Auditor is directed to publish the full text of this Resolution in the newspapers of record on August 18 and 19, 2022, respectively. HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 15th day of August, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-. Hackman, Byrne, Breitbach, Zoll. Nays- Kuhn. Motion carried. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to acknowledge resignation of Deputy Cole Tweten effective August 28, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried. Motion by Byrne, second by Hackman to approve the Sheriff to fill vacancy of deputy. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Kennedy left at 9:32 am.

Engineer Roman Lensing present at 9:33 am. Jim Ashley present at 9:45 am.

Chief Deputy discussed vacancies in Sheriff's Department. Discussion on hiring and retaining employees. Information shared on proposed wage increases for employees of the Sheriff's Department. More discussion to follow after department's budget is reviewed and talking with Human Resources. Discussion also on adding an additional deputy.

Hemann and Armel left at 9:55 am.

Shawver, Gansen, and Knutson left at 9:56 am. Jim Ashley requested to talk to Chairperson Matt Kuhn. Chair declared a recess at 9:57 am.

Chair reconvened at 10:02 am with Board Members Byrne, Zoll, Breitbach, Hackman, and Kuhn. Also present were Deputy Auditor Donna Geerts, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, EMA/911 Coordinator Jeff Bernatz, Engineer Roman Lensing, Amy Laures, Kathy Shekleton, Jeremy McGrath, and Bob Fenske, member of the media.

Engineer Roman Lensing discussed department activities.

Reviewed plans for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project BROS-SWAP-CO19(110)--SE-19 on Odessa Ave., over East Wapsipinicon River, S16, T95, R12. Motion by Hackman, second by Zoll to approve plans for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project BROS-SWAP-CO19(110)--SE-19 on Odessa Ave., over East Wapsipinicon River, S16, T95, R12 and authorize signatures made by Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Cover Page of plans. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to approve the reclassification of position and wage change of current Secondary Roads Employee Barry Klingman from Road Foreman ($28.57/hr.) to Equipment Operator ($25.20/hr.), effective August 22, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to approve the reclassification of position and wage change of current Secondary Roads Employee Tyler Throndson from Equipment Operator ($25.15/hr.) to Road Foreman ($28.40/hr.), effective August 22, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, second by Byrne to acknowledge the resignation of Spencer Schmitt, Assistant to County Engineer, effective August 23, 2022, and approve the County Engineer to fill vacancy. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried. Lensing left at 10:24 am.

Jeremy McGrath presented an asset value estimate for Chickasaw Ambulance Service prepared by 424 Consulting LLC. At 10:42 am, Kolby Kolbet, president of 424 Consulting, LLC, was contacted via phone to discuss his consulting services and estimate of value of all inventory of the Chickasaw Ambulance Service. McGrath presented an asset purchase agreement for the consideration of $1,100,000.00.

Kuhn and Byrne shared information on ambulance units and equipment from Life Line Emergency Vehicles.

Consulting services agreement from Corey Larson was discussed. Kuhn did reach out to Safe Tech who stated Larson's consulting services were at a reasonable fee. Motion by Byrne, second by Breitbach to enter in to a Consulting Services Agreement between Corey Larson and Chickasaw County, pay service fee out of ARPA funds, and designate Matt Kuhn as the main point of contact between the Consultant and the County during this agreement. Roll Call: Ayes-Byrne, Breitbach, Kuhn. Nays-Hackman, Zoll. Motion carried.

McGrath left at 11:36 am.

Discussion on new Lawler Tower site. More information will be gathered by Byrne and 911 Coordinator Bernatz.

Motion by Hackman, second by Breitbach to approve claims in the amount of $804,602.25. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Laures and Fenske left at 11:40 am.

Hackman attended Pathways meeting on August 9, 2022.

Zoll went to Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw Landfill on August 8, 2022 and attended the Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw Landfill Executive Board meeting on August 9, 2022.

Treasurer Sue Breitbach present at 11:43 am.

Discussed means of reconciling books period ending December 31, 2022 for the Treasurer's Office pursuant to Iowa Code 12B.7 Settlement by retiring treasurer. Consensus of the Board to do this reconciliation internally with County Treasurer, Auditor, and Board of Supervisors on December 30, 2022.

Treasurer Breitbach left at 11:45 am.

Motion by Breitbach, second by Hackman to adjourn at 11:49 am. Roll Call: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: Donna Geerts, Secretary to the Board,

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CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS .MONDAY AUGUST 15, 2022 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, August 15, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schwickerath at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Daly, Denner, Fisher. Also in attendance were Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Bob Fenske, Matt Kuhn and City Attorney Todd Prichard.

Moved by Daly, seconded by Humpal; that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Ayes –Six. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

1.Approve meeting agenda
2.Approve City Council Minutes of August 1, 2022
3.Approve Special City Council Minutes of August 4, 2022
4.Approve and place on file Fire Department minutes of August 1, 2022
5.Approve and place on file Cemetery Board minutes of August 2, 2022
6.Approve and place on file Department Head minutes of August 2, 2022
7.Approve and place on file Park & Rec Board minutes of August 10, 2022
8.Approve and place on file the Finance reports for July, 2022
9.FMC Landfill Reports
10.Helping Services for Youth & Families thank you correspondence
11.Summary of bids received for Street Shop A/C unit (amount is under threshold)
12.Summary of bids received for Rip Rap projects (amount is under threshold)
13.Approve City Claims of $83,750.53

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TOTAL $322,355.50 ....$534,170.33

Matt Kuhn, Chair of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, was in attendance to explain two possibilities that may occur with the garage space that currently houses the ambulances. First, the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council (CCAC) may request to end the lease agreement without the required 180 day notice. If Chickasaw County assumes responsibility of the county ambulance service, the CCAC will no longer need to lease the garage space. Second, Kuhn suggested there is a possibility that Chickasaw County may want to sign a lease agreement with the City of New Hampton for garage space if the County does not have space to house the vehicles after January 1, 2023. The council was inclined to be cooperative with both scenarios.

Public Works Director Casey Mai requested council input on which city funds will be used to pay for the dead tree/stump removal project with Wilson Tree Service in the amount of $121,500. Mai requested that the Road Use Tax not fund the entire project, he suggested he can budget a portion of the expense from the current budget. Mai is concerned with the uncertainty of unexpected expenses for streets that will deplete the RUT fund. Council member McDonald was not inclined to take funds from the General Fund. Moved by McDonald, seconded by Denner; that the Road Use Tax fund be solely used for the payment of the Wilson Tree Service contract of $121,500, be approved. Ayes – Six. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion Carried.

The Committee as a Whole met at 6:00 pm to discuss the possible addition of a public works employee. The Committee recommended to PDW Mai to suspend his research until later in November, 2022. The Mayor requested this item be put on the November 21, 2022 council agenda.

Mayor Schwickerath requested the appointed committee of Speltz, Fisher, Clemens and himself, meet on August 22, 2022 at 5:30 pm in the Economic Development office to discuss the LOST ballot request on November 8, 2022.

City Clerk Clemens notified the council that she received an email today from the IDOT requesting that a sign permit needs to be completed to install new signage at the intersection of Linn and Main for the 'No Right Hand Turn on Red'. The signs were installed last week. The signs will need to be changed to comply with code.

Moved by Denner, seconded by Fisher; that the meeting adjourn at 7:38 p.m. Ayes – Six. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

ROBERT SCHWICKERATH, Mayor
ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022 7:00 PM

CITY - WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 1, 2022
State of Iowa, Sales Tax July 2022 ..... 3,553.30
Verizon Wireless, Data Charges (Police) 160.04
Five Star Co-op, Gas(WA SR), Ragbrai, Cable Ties & Weed Spray(RUT), Diesel(Fire) 924.65
USPS, Postage for Utility Bills (WA SR) 120.60
TOTAL WRITTEN 4,758.59

CITY - TO BE WRITTEN--
Aable Pest Control, Monthly Pest Control 55.00
Baltes, Megan, Mileage to INRCOG Meeting (80 x .585)..... 46.80
Blackhawk Sprinklers, Annual Fire Sprinkler Inspection & Backflow Testing (Fire) 277.50
Chickasaw County Engineer, Pavement Markings (Street) 2,437.20
Dana Safety Supply, Console Cup Holder (Police) 56.76
Division of Criminal Investigation, October SOR Symposium (Police)..... 75.00
Fareway, Water, Powerade, Granola Bars (Ragbrai) 99.53
Fire Service Training Bureau, HMAO (Wood), FF1 (Cain, Jones) (Fire) 150.00
Gaede, Colton, Police Support for RAGBRAI (8hrs x $35) 280.00
Galls, Mens Pro Shirt (Police) 53.05
Grainger Cable for Sludge Holding Tank (Sewer)..... 184.24
Hawkins, Chlorine Cylinder (Water)..... 30.00
IA LEIN, IA Law Enforcement Intelligence Conference (Police) ... 200.00
Jendro Sanitation, Refuse Pickup (Fire Police Clerk Custodial SW SR) 977.35
Kwik Star, Gas (Police Street) 1,690.88
Leisuretime Golf Cars, Shipping (Water) 30.02
Logan Contractors, Tar (Street) 5,985.00
Mai, Casey, Mileage (33 x .585) (Zoning) 36.86
McGregor, Mark, Police Support for RAGBRAI (8hrs x $35) 280.00
Mick Gage P&H, RR Rental, Handwash Station Rentals 2,730.00
MiEnergy, Electric Service (Sewer) 67.34
Morris Landscaping, Plants (Fire) 109.80
Municipal Supply, Hydrant Valves & attachments and 2 Hydrants (Water) 7,749.70
New Hampton Electric, Fan and Fuses for Boiler (SR) 292.97
NHMU, Phone & Internet Service (Street)..... 681.91
New Hampton Tribune, Minutes & Claims (Clerk) Water Report (WA) BoA Notice 1,214.16
New Hampton, City of, Utilities (Clerk PD St Fire Carnegie WA SR) 14,758.57
New Horizons Chamber, Hotel/Motel Grant 2022 ..... 5,000.00
New Horizons Chamber, Reimburse for Band (RAGBRAI) 400.00
NewCom Technologies, Annual Software License (Cemtery)..... 350.00
Northeast Iowa Task Force Treasure, FY 22/23 Contribution (Police) .. 550.00
Poor Richards, RAGBRAI Refund - Did not Use Electricity..... 50.00
Radmaker, Jacob, Police Support for RAGBRAI (8hrs x $35) 280.00
Rapid Printers, Office Supplies (Police), Billing April (WA SR) Office Supplies (Fire) 290.63
Rapid Printers, Garbage Bags (RAGBRAI) 88.95
Riley's Inc, Copy Fee (Clerk) Copy Fee (SR) Copy Fee (Econ Dev) Copy Fee, HDMI Converter (Police) 205.00
Sandry Fire Supply, Helmet Front (Fire) 112.50
Schueth Ace Hardware, Supplies (Police Water Custodial) 203.45
State Hygienic Lab, Testing Fees (Water) 81.00
Williams, Leland, Police Support for RAGBRAI (6hrs x $35) 210.00
Windstream, Phone Service (WA SR) 241.78
Wulfekuhle, Disposal of Sludge (Sewer) 30,355.00
Zips, Yellow Vest for Meter Reader (Water) 23.99
Total to be Written 78,991.94
Plus City Written..... 4,758.59
TOTAL TO BE APPROVED 83,750.53

PAYROLL -WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 1, 2022
Collection Services Center, Payroll Withholding 145.69
EFTPS, FICA & Federal Tax..... 12,418.65
Empower Retirement, Deferred Comp 375.00
..... 12,939.34

AIRPORT -TO BE WRITTEN
MiEnergy, Electric Service..... 145.93
Ziegler, Engine Repairs on Tractor (Airport)..... 4,181.87
..... 4,327.80

PARK & REC -TO BE WRITTEN
Kwik Star, Diesel - Hauling Sand..... 142.75
New Hampton, City of, Utilities 4,159.36
..... 4,302.11

LIBRARY -TO BE WRITTEN
New Hampton, City of, Utilities 553.57
Schueth Ace Hardware, Paint, Cleaner, Towels..... 151.18
..... 704.75

CEMETERY-TO BE WRITTEN
Consolidated Energy, Gas (Cemetery) 1,268.63
Jendro Sanitation, Refuse 19.64
Marv & Zips, Oil (Cemetery) 32.50
New Hampton, City of, Utilities .. 71.51
..... 1,392.28

AIRPORT-WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 1, 2022
Tenge, Richard, Use of Equipment..... 140.00
..... 140.00

PARK & REC-WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 1, 2022
State of Iowa, Sales Tax July 2022..... 631.85
Monteith, Jennifer, Reimburse for OJ for Fundraiser (P&R)..... 229.44
Atlantic Bottling, Refreshments for Pool Concession 397.21
Bodensteiner, Wheel and Wheel Bolt 66.00
Carquest, Trailer Cable, Blade Socket 50.48
Carrico Aquatic Resources, Pulsar Briquettes (15) 50lbs each..... 2,328.00
Clemens - Mr Lawn, Spraying all Parks - Roundup..... 1,386.00
Consolidated Energy, Gas 1,374.18
Croell, Garnant Park Sand 378.72
Dave Denner Siding & Windows, Gutters and Down Spouts on Shed 1,896.00
Dietzenbach, Donna, Refund for Soccer and Football 130.00
Fareway, Concession (Pool) and Ragbrai Booth items (All Inclusive)... 646.15
Hackman, Tara, Mileage (123 miles x .585) 71.96
Hyland, Reica, Refund for Swimming Lessons..... 35.00
Iowa Soccer Association, Annual Affiliation Fee and Spring Registration 1,852.50
Cathy Jansen, Shelter Refund 35.00
Jendro Sanitation, Garbage Removal 256.42
John Deere Financial, Tubing 1/2 Inch - 15ft 10.35
Kahn Tile Supply, 6ft of 4inch Single Wall Tile 3.60
Rick Kramer, Mileage (170mi x .585) 99.45
Kwik Trip, Gas 257.29
L & C Builders, Remove and Repair Concrete on Trail 7,000.00
Larsen Lawn & Landscaping, Soccer Fields - Repairs 1,257.25
Marv & Zips, Chain, Sharpen and Repair Bent Chain 50.95
Morris Landscaping, Planting by New Shed, Grass Seed, Mulch 175.64
Myers-Cox, Candy/Food for Pool Concession Stand..... 1,701.56
NHMU, Rec Office Phones, Pool Phone and Internet 83.60
New Hampton Rotary, Dues and Meals for Rotary 35.00
New Hampton Tribune, Ad in Ragbrai Tab 148.00
Omega Machine Tool, Repair Toy Digger at Randall, Push Bumper for Mower 465.00
On Track Signs , Parka nd Rec Decals for the Mule 140.00
Rapid Printers, Can Liners, Rubber Bands, Banker Box, Dry Erase Sign 660.38
Riley's, Toner for Printer..... 119.95
Schueth Ace Hardware, Park Supplies, Freezer Bags, Pool, Popcorn, Hardware 498.38
Superior Welding, Acetylene....45.00
Donna Willadsen, Shelter Refund..... .....35.00
Ziegler CAT, Blades 70.47
Cresco Shopper, Pool/Summer/Fall in Travel and Leisure Mag 233.00
.....24,854.78

LIBRARY -WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 1, 2022
20/20 FX, Parts and Labor 1,135.60
Amazon, Books, Misc, DVD's 1,289.99
Baker & Taylor, Inc., Books 710.96
Becker, Carrie, Mileage to Des Moines for Painting Repair 193.05
Black Hills Energy, Utility - Gas Service 38.34
Capital Sanitary Supply, Building Supplies 174.35
Cengage Learning - Gale, Large Print Books 29.59
Clemens - Mr Lawn, Lawn Care... 41.00
Grout Museum, Annual Pass to Grout Museum..... 200.00
Iowa Communications Network, Long Distance Charges - (March-July) 21.63
Jendro Sanitation Services, Recycling and Garbage 54.29
Kanopy, Inc, Streaming Services.. 41.00
Laura F. Keyes, Hershey Chocolate Event 250.00
NHMU, Phone/Internet..... 339.28
New Hampton Rotary, Dues - Meals 140.00
New Hampton Tribune, Library Assistant AD 206.00
Petty Cash, Postage 16.66
Riley's Inc, Copier Fee 513.11
..... 5,394.85
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Your Guide to the 2022 Football, Volleyball and Cross Country seasons at New Hampton and Turkey Valley

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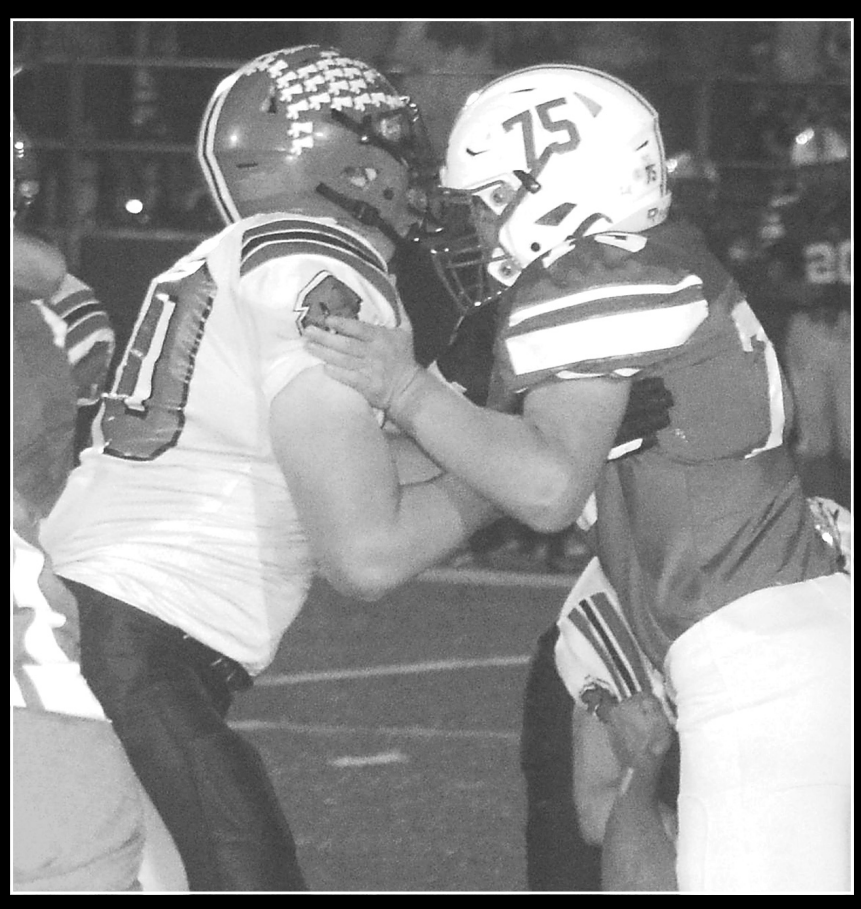
New Hampton's Brady Speltz

Turkey Valley's Carson Busta



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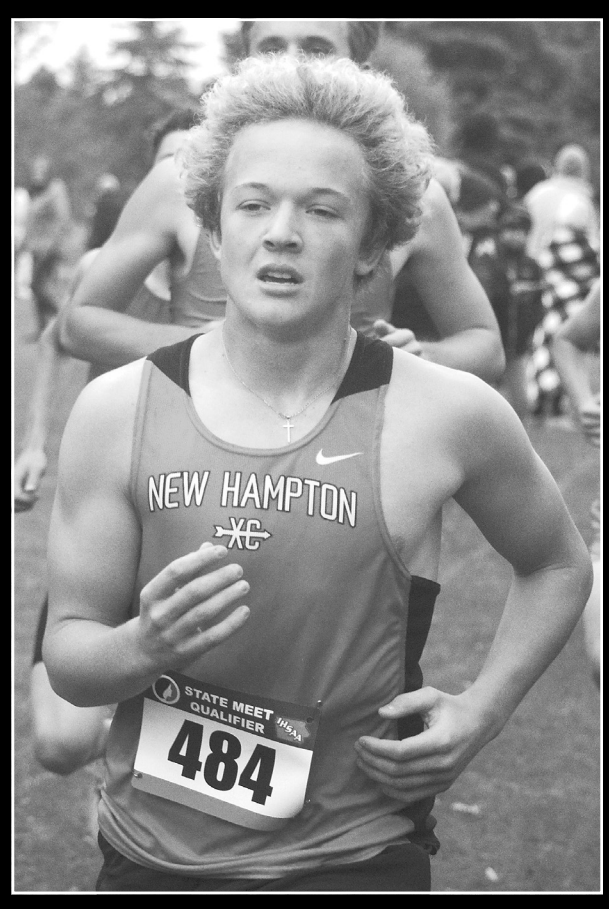

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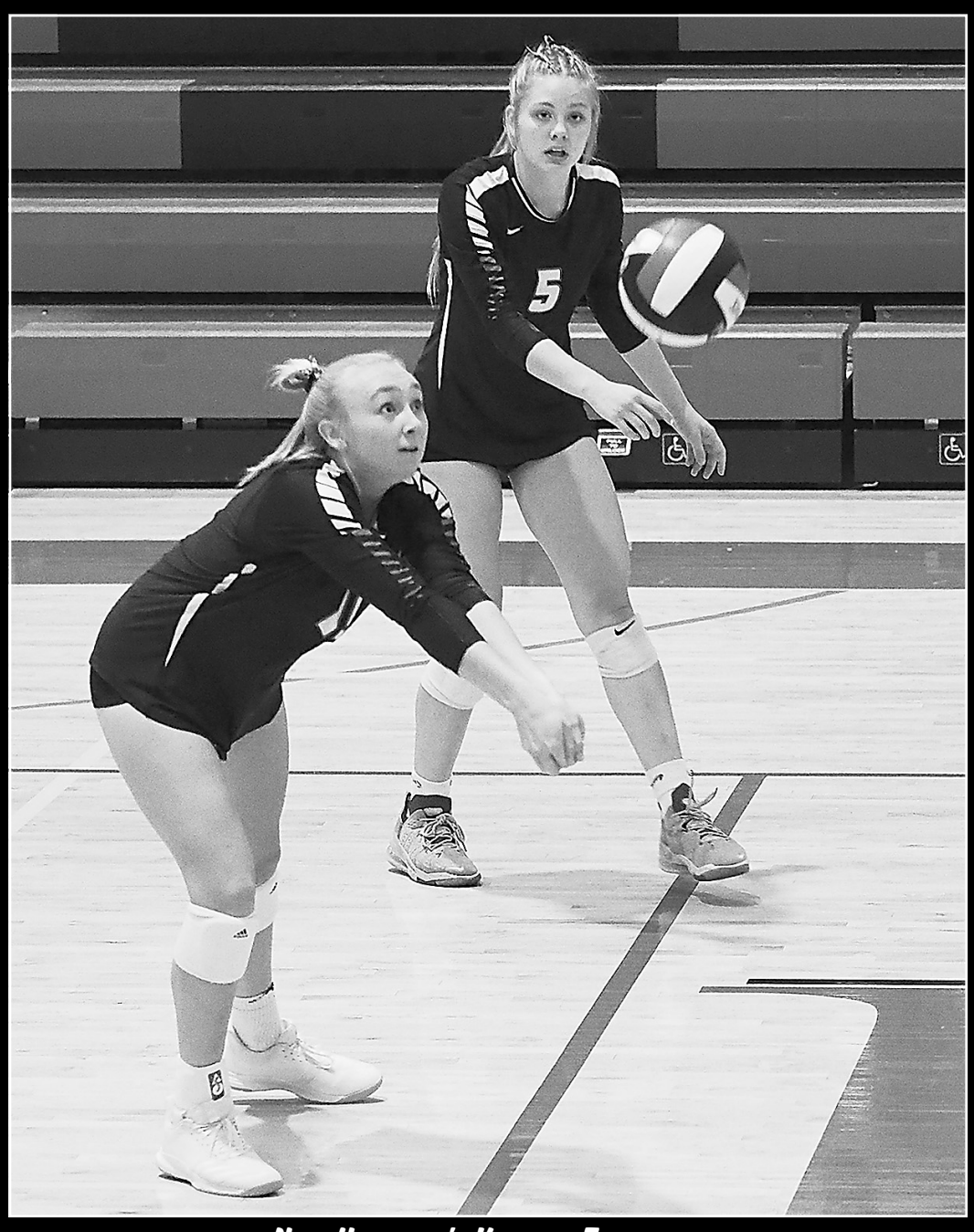

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Turkey Valley's Brianna Busta

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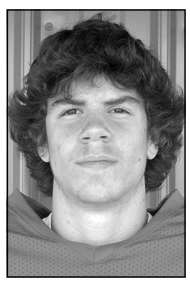
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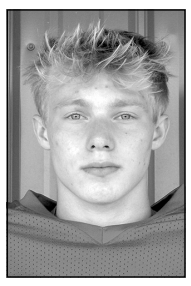
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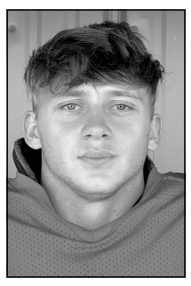
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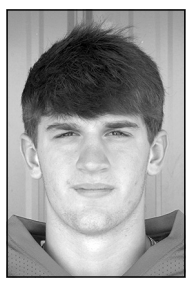
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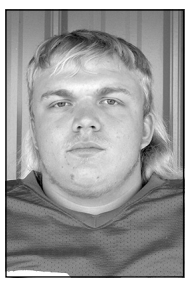
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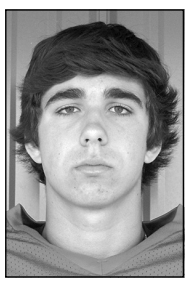
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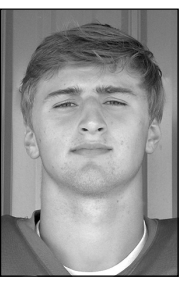
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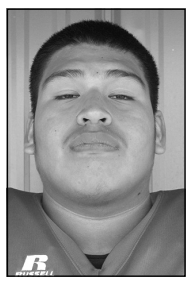
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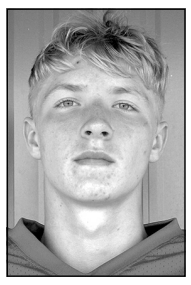
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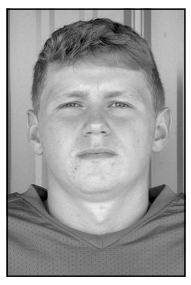
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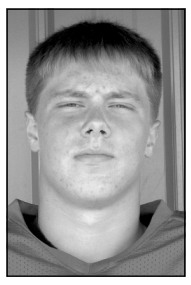
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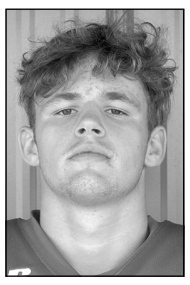
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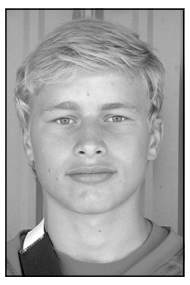
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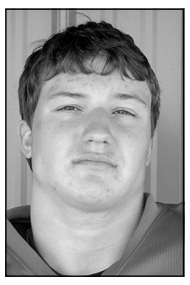
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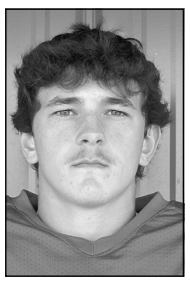
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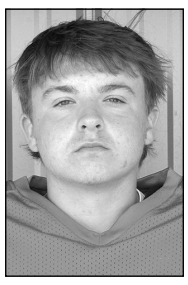
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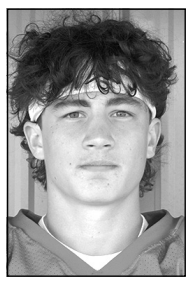
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SEASONED CHICKASAWS

VETERAN SQUAD AIMS TO TAKE NEW HAMPTON TO THE UNI-DOME

By Bob Fenske
editor@nhtrib.com

Flash back to a year ago when New Hampton took a team that was as green as a rain-soaked lawn to Monona for its season opener.

"We didn't really know what we were doing," senior Brady Speltz said. "We had like three or four guys who had played varsity before, and it looked like it for a while. This year, it's a lot different. We have a ton of experience, and we know what we're getting into."

The Chickasaw quarterback isn't wrong.

New Hampton may not be the deepest team heading into the 2022 season, but the Chickasaws' roster is loaded with young men who can be called veterans.

Coach Scott Frerichs' team welcomes back 24 letterwinners and a slew of starters on both sides of the ball, and they're ready, unlike a year ago, to hit the gridiron at full speed.

"It's been a while since we had this many lettermen back," said Frerichs, who is entering his 30th year at the helm of New Hampton's football program, "and no coach is ever going to argue with having experience. I think it's looking pretty good, but obviously, we have a lot of work to do and improvement to make to be where we want to be at the end of the season."

Make no mistake about it, though, the Chickasaws are heading into '22 with high expectations. After dropping their first two games last fall, they won five of their next six games to earn a share of the Class 2A, District 3 title with Clear Lake and Osage.

Folks around the state have noticed. In the first major rankings of the season, New Hampton is ranked eighth in Class 2A by the Des Moines Register, despite losing a small but talented senior class that included all-state receiver Drake Wemark and all-state lineman Jacob Burgart.

"We do have some holes to fill, no question," Frerichs said. "Drake, Jacob, Mason [Lane] played a really solid quarterback for us, and really that wasn't a big class but they all contributed to a district championship team."

Still, there's a lot in Frerichs' cupboard.

Start with the five all-district selections — junior running back/linebacker Braden McShane, senior offensive lineman Logan Peterman, senior running back/linebacker Isaac Howe, senior fullback/linebacker Ben Tenge and senior defensive back Evan Knowlton. Throw in two all-district honorable selections in junior lineman Gatlin McCumber and Speltz plus a host of other returning starters and the Chickasaws appeared prime to make another playoff run this fall.

Start with the defense, where McShane, Tenge and Howe were the Chickasaws' three leading tacklers a year ago.

"They're all really good linebackers," Frerichs said. "They have a nose for the football, good instincts and run well. That's what you want in any linebacker."

Up front, New Hampton welcomes back two starters in McCumber and classmate Kam Josephson and the secondary's experience will be provided by Knowlton and Speltz.

"Just having that experience is huge for us," Tenge said. "The thing about going to varsity football is it's just so much quicker and maybe it took us a while last year to get that. But we're ready this year because we've been through it."

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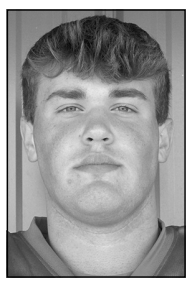
New Hampton Football Schedule

Aug. 27	**MFL-Mar-Mac 9/V**	**4:45 p.m/7:30 p.m**
Aug. 29	at MFL-Mar-Mac JV	6 p.m.
Sept. 2	at Charles City 9/V	5 p.m./7:30 p.m.
Sept 5.	**Charles City JV**	**6 p.m.**
Sept. 9	**Oelwein V**	**7:30 p.m.**
Sept. 12	at Oelwein JV	6 p.m.
Sept. 16	**GHV (Homecoming) V**	**7:30 p.m.**
Sept. 19	To be announced JV	6 p.m.
Sept. 23	at Crestwood 9/V	4:45 p.m./7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	**Crestwood JV**	**6 p.m.**
Sept. 30	at Osage 9/V	4:45 p.m./7:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	To be announced JV	6 p.m.
Oct. 7	**Forest City V**	**7:30 p.m.**
Oct. 10	**Clear Lake JV**	**6 p.m.**
Oct. 14	at Clear Lake 9/V	4:45 p.m./7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	Playoffs start V	7 p.m.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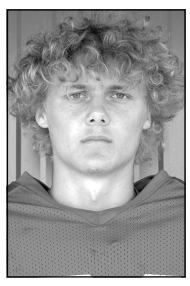
Brady Speltz
Sr. • QB/CB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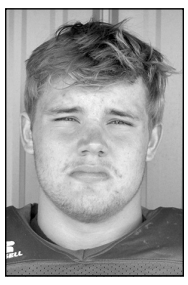
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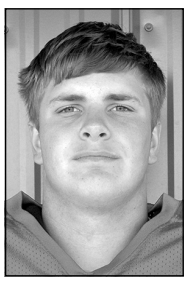
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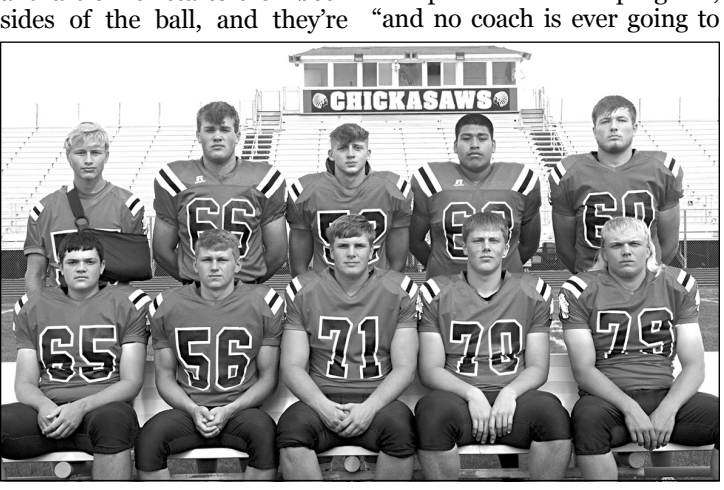
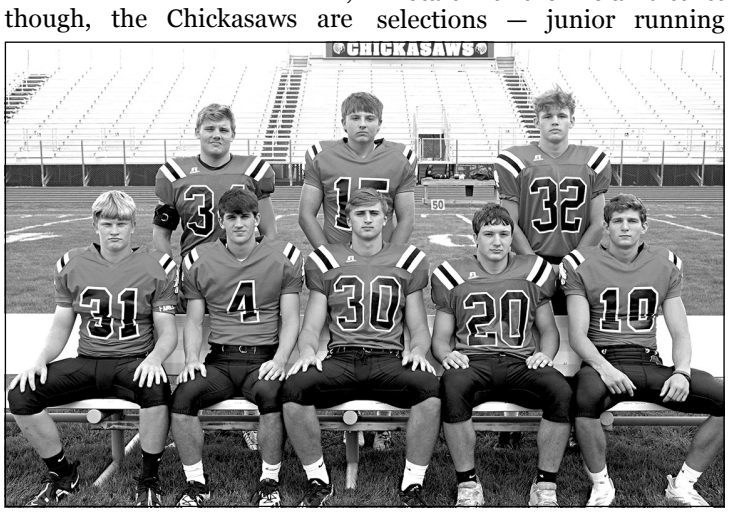

Lining up in the trenches this season for the Chickasaws will be (front row, from left) Carsyn Leistikow, Daniel Orthaus, Marshall Zeien, Logan Peterman, Kam Josephson, (back row) Leander Reicks, Ty Shekleton, Logan Fettkether, Leo Morales and Gatlin McCumber.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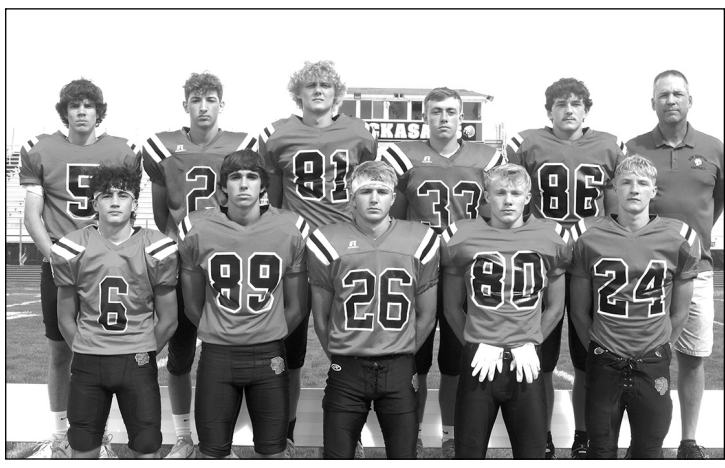
The Chickasaws' wide receivers and ends pose with their position coach, Chad Pemble, and they include (front row, from left) Hunter Serie, Cael Laures, Isaac Howe, Carter Cahoy, Noah Nosbisch, (back row) Aiden Brincks, Talyn Bohaty, Carter Steinlage Evan Knowlton and Aiden Roberson.

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Ready to make a run

Chickasaws welcome back bevy of talented volleyball players

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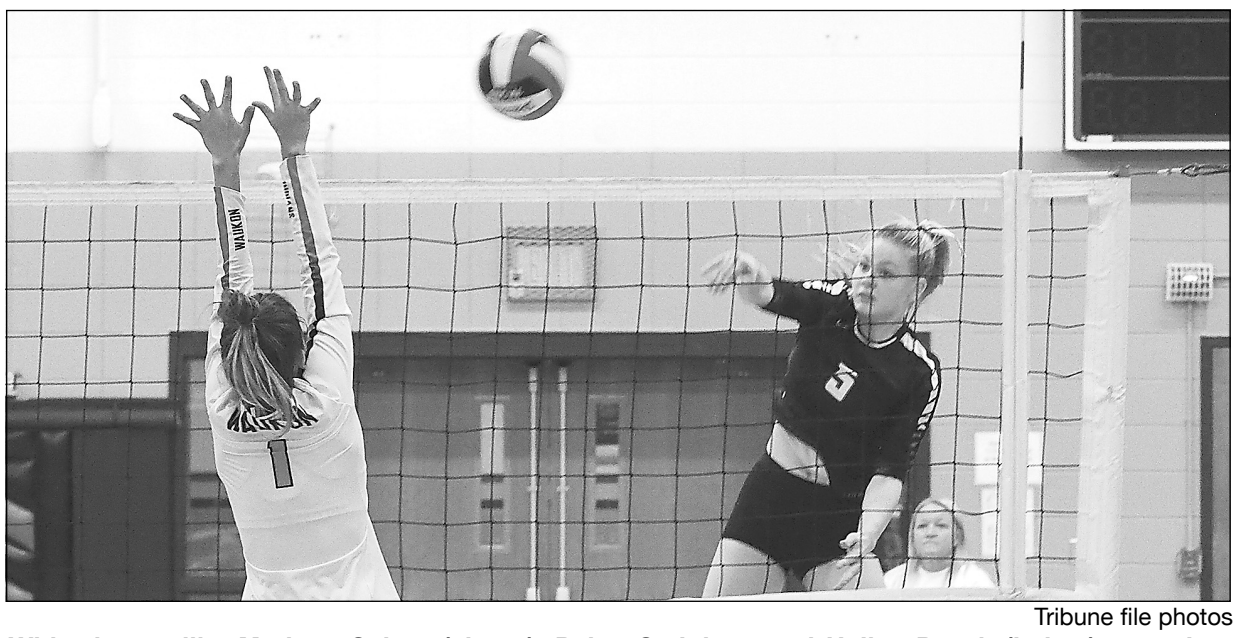
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With players like Marissa Cahoy (above), Paige Steinlage and Hailee Pesek (below) returning, New Hampton is hoping to do plenty of celebrating in 2022.

Plain and simple. cut and dry, however you want to put it ... the New Hampton volleyball team is good.

Just how good?

That is the question.

Jess Geerts, starting her 17th season this fall as the leader of the Chickasaw program, returns a boatload of quality contributors in 2022.

Nine returning letterwinners may be the most key returnees she's had over the years establishing her quality Northeast Iowa squad that played in the state tournament for the first time ever in 2019.

"We're pretty deep. We have a lot of experience coming back," said Geerts. "We're excited to finally have depth and letterwinners coming back because usually it's a couple. I don't remember the last time we've had this many returning."

The Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union released its preseason rankings for Class 3A on Monday and the Chickasaws are ranked No. 8. New Hampton went 24-11 a season ago and lost to Vinton-Shellsburg in three games in the Class 3A regional semifinals.

On paper, New Hampton could be as good as any in 3A and it sure doesn't hurt that the Chickasaws play in the rugged NEIC. Waverly-Shell Rock (44-8) won the league last year and finished state runner in Class 4A to the Western Dubuque Bobcats. Decorah finished the year 28-7 and lost to the Bobcats in the 4A regional championship.

Geerts and her Chickasaws know full well not to count their chickens before they hatch, which is another way to say play with a humble spirit and never underestimate anyone.

"We don't want to be too overconfident or anything. We still obviously have a lot to work on," said Geerts.

Junior middle/outside hitter Marissa Cahoy leads the pack for the Chickasaws. The 5-11 jumping jack was hard to stop as evident by her 294 kills on to the hardwood. Cahoy was honorable mention all-state last year as a sophomore.

"She plays a lot of volleyball and plays year-round," said Geerts.

Along with Cahoy, junior setter Molly Wegner was a first team all-NEIC selection. She led the Chickasaws with 479 assists and is a stable presence in Geerts' lineup that could feature a nine or 10-girl rotation.

Carlee Rochford, one of nine seniors on Geerts' roster, played a large portion of the season in the middle last year but will predominantly be featured near the net on the outside. Her explosiveness near the net will be a key asset for New Hampton. Rochford, arguably the best all-around athlete in the NEIC, racked up 118 kills last year. Look for those numbers to increase dramatically this fall.

"What she brings to the table is just her drive to want to be successful and win," said Geerts. "She's a good leader."

Also providing pop and firepower near the net is junior Hailee Pesek (right side hitter). The lefty rocketed down 100 kills her sophomore season. Chickasaw senior Kandice Eggerichs (S/MH) is a valuable Swiss Army knife that can play multiple positions for New Hampton. She accumulated 89 kills and can play almost anywhere on the court.

"Kandice is kind of like our utility player," said Geerts. "We're super fortunate that she can set. She can play right side, she can play middle, she can play outside," said Geerts. "Not a lot of teams have that."

Returning letterwinners Alivya Wisner (Sr., DS/L), Jenna Tank (Sr., DS/L) and Paige Steinlage (Jr., S/RS) are also key components of the NH roster. Wisner and Tank will help fortify the back row for the Chickasaws.

NH junior Claire Geerts (L/OH) led the Chickasaws in digs (252) and aces (30). She's currently dealing with an injury but the NH head coach said she could be back on the court by October.

Chickasaw senior Elaina Rosonke and sophomore Braelyn Rosonke will add height to the New Hampton lineup and should be reliable spark plugs in the middle that can fire away at defenses to soften them up. The pair are cousins. Taylor Ries, a sophomore libero and defensive specialist, has also been a bright spot for New Hampton according to Geerts.

Seniors Mallory Cleveland, Koryn Lane, Lydia Olson and junior Jenna Heeren will also vie for playing time once the season warms up.

While there's considerable preseason hype surrounding her squad via praise from various media publications and news outlets, Geerts prefers to lay low if at all possible. It may not take long for New Hampton to have a target on its back if the Chickasaws can start piling up the wins like many pundits think they can.

"I personally would rather lay under the radar," said Geerts. "At the end of the season it's to your advantage to be ranked high because the Union (Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union) does a nice job of pairing people up to try to get the top eight teams there."

The "there" in that quote is the state tournament, which is now held at the Xtream Arena in Coralville after last year's state tournament crowned victors in Johnson County. The state volleyball meet had been held in the Alliant Energy PowerHouse in Cedar Rapids since 1991.

"We're just looking forward to a great season," said Geerts.

New Hampton Volleyball Schedule

Aug. 25	Denver, Charles City, Lisbon at Denver V	5 p.m.
Aug. 30	**MFL-Mar-Mac, Turkey Valley JV/V**	**5 p.m.**
Sept. 1	Turkey Valley 9	5 p.m.
Sept. 1	at NFV 9/JV/V	5 p.m./6 p.m./7 p.m.
Sept. 3	**New Hampton Tourney V**	**8 a.m.**
Sept. 6	**Charles C. 9/JJV/JV/V**	**5 p.m../6 p.m./7:15 p.m.**
Sept. 10	at Osage Tourney V	9 a.m.
Sept. 10	**New Hampton Tourney JV**	**9 a.m.**
Sept. 13	**C'wood 9/JJV/JV/V**	**5 p.m./6 p.m./7:15 p.m.**
Sept. 17	at Lake Mills Tourney 9/JV	9 a.m.
Sept. 20	at Decorah 9/JJV/JV/V	5 p.m./6 p.m./7:15 p.m.
Sept. 22	Janesville, Wapsie Valley at WV JV/V	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 27	**W-SR 9/JJV/JV/V**	**5 p.m./6 p.m./7:15 p.m.**
Oct. 1	at Waverly-Shell Rock Tourney V	9 a.m.
Oct. 4	at Waukon 9/JJV/JV/V	5 p.m./6 p.m./7:15 p.m.
Oct. 6	at NEIC Tourney 9, Waukon	4 pm.
Oct. 6	at NEIC Tourney JV, Decorah	4 p.m.
Oct. 13	**NEIC Tourney V**	**5 p.m.**
Oct. 15	at NEIC Tourney V, W-SR	9 a.m.
Oct. 17	Regionals begin	7 p.m.

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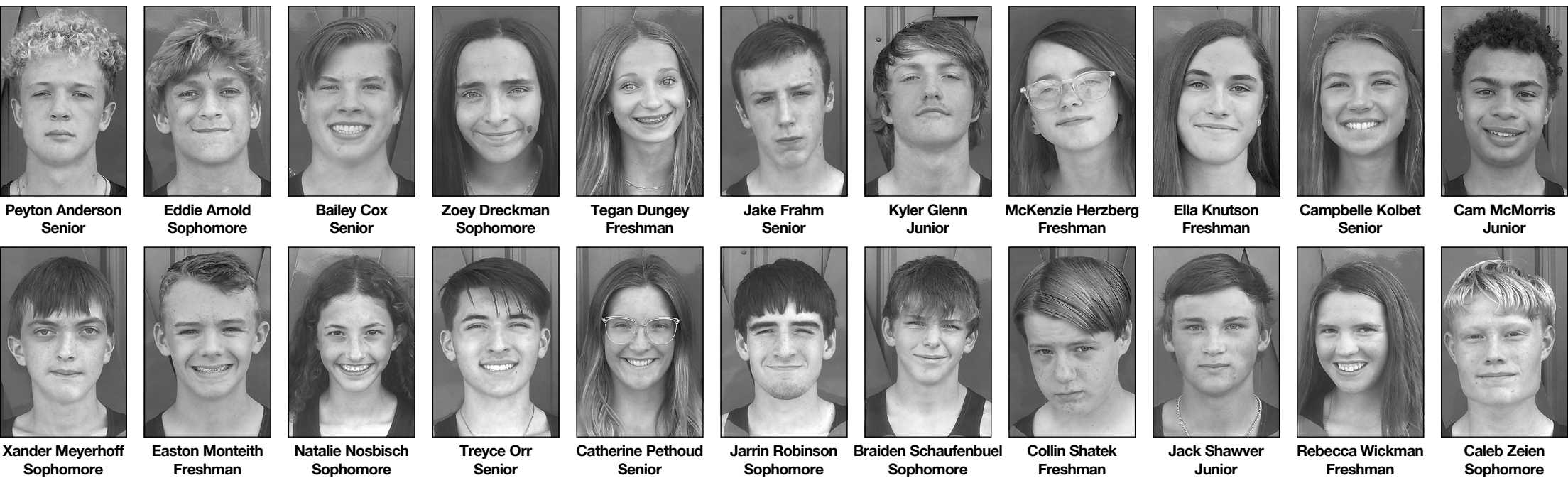

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Aiming for trip to Fort Dodge

Chickasaws look to break through and send teams to state meet

By Kelly Terpstra
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Tribune file photos

Among the seniors New Hampton cross country coach Jamie Ohrt is welcoming back for one final season of running are Bailey Cox (above) and Treyce Orr (right), both of whom are seen here competing at the Luther Invitational last season.

Even in spirit, Dylan Usher is still having an impact on the New Hampton cross country program.

The two-time state competitor for New Hampton is no longer running for head coach Jamie Ohrt's Chickasaws, as he graduated this past summer. Usher finished off his career in fine fashion at Fort Dodge last October with a 20th-place showing at the state meet held at Lakeside Golf Course.

Usher's work ethic and overall impact has made a lasting impression on the current roster of Chickasaws — who are hungry to get back to the state meet.

"A lot of them — seeing Dylan run around town the last how many years — they kind of wanna be that next kid," said Ohrt. "He kind of inspired them to work really hard."

This time the New Hampton boys and girls teams want to run in the grueling race at state instead of watching from the sidelines as spectators and fans.

"I would like to send both teams. The really cool thing about this group of kids — and I have motivated kids every year — but I've never had this many motivated kids on one team. It's pretty awesome and they hold me accountable, which is good," Ohrt added.

The New Hampton boys team came oh so close to cracking the 15-team state field in 2021 at its state qualifying meet held at Dike-New Hartford. The Chickasaws placed just out of the money in fourth place — a single point back of third-place Jesup, the final transfer spot that got sent to the Class 2A State meet.

"We were all heartbroken," said Ohrt. "It kind of ignited them and brought them together, though, as a team."

Despite the sadness of an incredible effort in the last meet of the season that came up just short — the silver lining was the emergence of senior P.J. Anderson. He rocked his qualifier and surprised even himself as he lassoed the final qualifying individual spot (15th) and secured a trip to Fort Dodge last fall as a junior. Anderson, a senior, finished in the 65th place — which slotted him ahead of over 70 runners in a race that can turn high school legends into mere mortals.

"At districts he was just as shocked as I was," said Ohrt. "We weren't expecting him to make it."

Like committed and upper-echelon runners do — Anderson hits the pavement hard and works off plenty of tread on his "kicks" in an effort to get better.

"P.J's been a heckuva leader and I know he's put the time in," said Ohrt. "He's put a lot of miles on his shoes this summer. You can tell — he's ready. He knows what is expected of him."

Chickasaw sophomore Natalie Nosbisch is just getting her career started and has an opportunity to really set herself apart from the rest of Class 2A if her upward trajectory continues. While you won't ever see the shy Nosbisch talk your ear

See NH XC, 17

New Hampton XC Schedule

Aug. 25	at Charles City	5 p.m.
Sept. 6	at Waverly-Shell Rock	4:50 p.m.
Sept. 10	at All-American Invite, Luther College	9 a.m.
Sept. 13	at Osage	5 p.m.
Sept. 20	at Waukon	4 p.m.
Sept. 22	at Grundy Center	4:45 p.m.
Sept. 27	at Jesup	4:15 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Crestwood	10 a.m.
Oct. 6	**New Hampton Invite at F'burg**	**4:15 p.m.**
Oct. 13	**NEIC meet, at Fredericksburg**	**4:30 p.m.**
Oct. 20	District, regional meet, TBD	4 p.m.
Oct. 28	State at Fort Dodge	Afternoon session

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Trojans welcome new coach

Balk takes over Turkey Valley team with plenty of experience

By Kelly Terpstra
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To get to know Turkey Valley volleyball coach Shelbie Balk, one must first scan her resume and run through her list of accomplishments.

That could take some time, as the military veteran has an impressive track record of serving her country and helping others stay healthy and pain free.

But it's her dedication to a sport that she wants to keep successful in Jackson Junction that may also go a long way toward endearing herself to a Trojan fan base that supports its athletics with a dedicated devotion.

It's been a whirlwind last couple of months for the new leader of the Trojan volleyball program.

She married her husband – Bobby Balk – last month. She's also settling into her new job – which is to guide a program that was under the direction of co-coaches, Jackie Novotny and Tammy Vrzak, last fall.

Balk, who took over the Trojan volleyball program just two weeks ago, is a United States Army veteran that was deployed overseas to Afghanistan in 2012. After four years of active duty, Balk remained in the Army Reserve for four more years. After returning home from active duty, Balk returned to school and earned a bachelor's degree in nursing. She's currently an operating room registered nurse at Regional Health Services of Howard County.

"It has been the most rewarding, yet challenging coach position, and I love it!" said Balk, a 2006 Marshalltown High School grad.

Balk coached youth volleyball fundamentals at the Marshalltown YMCA from 2014-2016. She has also guided youth AAU volleyball. Then last fall she instructed and guided fourth and fifth graders in the Turkey Valley Volleyball League.

Fundamentals, as you could imagine, are what Balk is stressing early on with her players. Balk says a successful program starts at the lowest grade levels.

"I was super nervous about moving up to the high school level, but reality is that it is all fundamentals," said Balk. "Knowing the basics of volleyball will only aid in increasing the competitiveness. Every player should be able to know how to successfully pass, set and hit the ball. This makes an effective, versatile team."

Balk inherits a team that went 17-16 a year ago and lost to St. Ansgar in the Class 1A quarterfinals of regional play. The Trojans graduated setter Josie Weber, a unanimous Upper Iowa All Conference first team selection. Honorable mention all-conference hitter Kourtney Schmidt also graduated, but there is plenty to like about this current TV roster.

Back this year – pigtails and all – is junior Adriana Tiedt. Tiedt transferred from Sumner-Fredericksburg in 2021 and made an immediate impact near the net as a sophomore. She riddled defenses with her powerful right arm en route to 240 kills. Tiedt is an accomplished jump server and was second in the league in aces (50). That led the UIC and she'll obviously be a focal point for defenses that will try to stop her aggressive and exciting style of play.

"Adriana brings so much potential offensively and defensively. She is one of the most competitive players on the team and continues to drive those around her to be competitive," said Balk.

Trojan seniors starters Clare Courtney (libero), Brianna Busta (middle) and junior Halle Weber (defensive specialist) will also help right the ship this fall. Halle Weber was second team all-conference as a sophomore and Courtney was selected on the UIC honorable mention team. Halle Weber led the team in digs (319) and Courtney managed 261 digs. Busta hit 96 kills over the net – second best on the team.

"Brianna is an aggressive hitter. She always has a positive attitude and shows gratitude towards everyone," said Balk. "Clare and Halle are the most effective defensive players separately and together. They have been playing together for a few years and that has created a strong, trustful relationship. Watching them play is so rewarding because they are so aggressive and can control the ball."

TV senior Jacqlyn Schmitt (right side hitter) is also another pivotal contributor for the Trojans. The lefty worked her offensive game to the tune of 75 kills in 2021.

Trojan freshman Maici Weber, Halle's little sister, had a tremendous season this past summer on the softball diamond. She's looking to continue that incredible start to her varsity athletic career out on the hardwood. She'll play setter and right side hitter. Maici Weber, like Tiedt last season, could be an underclassmen that may be tough to stop for opposing defenses.

"Maici is quick to think and analyze the situation on the court to set the best hitter at the right moment. Maici is always willing to work on improving her hitting and setting game, which makes her a dynamic player," said Balk.

Trojan senior Olivia Snyder (outside hitter), junior Mariah Throndson (setter) and sophomore Delaney Busta (middle, right side hitter) are others to watch this season that should provide TV fans with many thrills and big plays.

"I expect their continuous potential to shine throughout the season," Balk added.

What does Balk like about this squad so far? For starters, it sounds like the varsity group is very coachable.

"I love that every day they come to practice, they are willing to learn. They are eager, determined and motivated to be the best," said Balk.

Balk said the team's main focus at the start of the season is learning to play next to one another. Those strong bonds created in August could pay big dividends in October.

"The girls are working on establishing a trusting relationship with those they play next to," said Balk.

As far as X's and O's are concerned, Balk is making sure to get that covered as well before TV opens the season.

"We are ramping up our offense to work on quick sets and back-row attacks. Serving aggressive and defensive coverage has been a major priority," said Balk.

Turkey Valley Volleyball Schedule

Aug. 30	at New Hampton, MFL-Mar-Mac V	5 p.m.
Sept. 1	at New Hampton 9/JV	5 p.m.
Sept. 6	at Riceville 9/JV/V	4 p.m.
Sept. 10	at Crestwood Tourney V	9 a.m.
Sept. 10	at New Hampton Tourney JV	9 a.m.
Sept. 13	at North Fayette Valley 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Sept. 17	at Waukon Tournament V	TBD
Sept. 20	Kee High 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Sept. 24	at Dunkerton Tournament V	9 a.m.
Sept. 27	MFL-Mar-Mac 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Sept. 29	at Clayton Ridge 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Oct. 4	Central Elkader 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Oct. 6	Postville 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Oct. 8	at Riceville Tournament V	TBD
Oct. 11	at West Central 9/JV/V	5 p.m.
Oct. 13	at South Winneshiek 9/JV/V	5 p.m.

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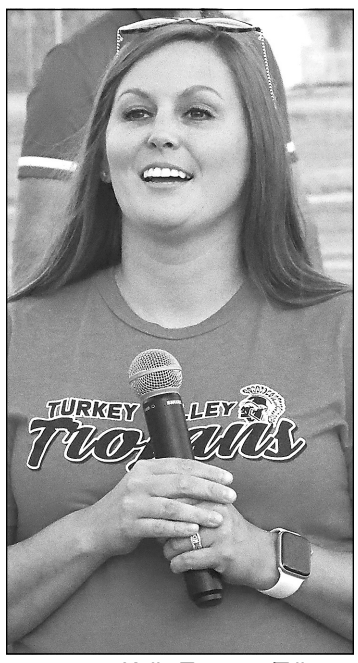
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Turkey Valley volleyball coach Shelbie Balk talks about her team during a Greet and Meet Night last week.

Turkey Valley to have a quartet of runners

By Bob Fenske
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It's a small squad — and one of the runners is trying to do a "fall double" — yet Turkey Valley cross country coach Sarah Bakula is just as excited at the start of the season as she was a year ago. And a year before that.

"It's always fun to see what kids will do and how far they will go by the end of the year," Bakula said. "It's different. Obviously, we don't have Jalyssa or Cambree anymore, and they were such a big part of our program for so long."

Jalyssa would be Jalyssa Blazek, and Cambree would be Cambree Kruse — the two Turkey Valley runners who competed at the 2021 Class 1A state meet, where Blazek capped her brilliant cross country career with a second-place finish.

The bottom line is the lone returning veteran for the Trojans is Bode Balk, a junior who finished 43rd at the Upper Iowa Conference meet a year. The rest of the squad — junior Russell Nieman and freshmen Morgan Wenthold and Haylee Hanson — are new to the sport, at least at the high school level.

Start with Nieman, who will also play football for the Trojans this fall, but after a solid track season in which he qualified for the Class 1A state meet, Nieman decided to give cross country a try.

"He's got some good goals set, and he's more than willing to put the time into both sports," Bakula said, "so we're going to do what we can to accommodate him."

Asked about the differences between track and cross country, Bakula couldn't help but laugh.

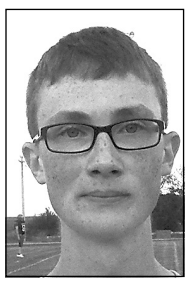
"Well, obviously, we run 5Ks, and track's longest race is the 3,200," she said, "so he's going to run longer. We'll really work on Russell's endurance, but we're also going to make sure we're not wearing him down for either sport."

Meanwhile, Bakula is also excited to welcome the two freshmen girls to the program.

"They had good track seasons, and I think they have great potential," she said of Hanson and Wenthold. "We may not have a lot of kids — OK, we don't — but they're hard workers and they are willing to do the things they need to do to improve."

And although Turkey Valley has just four runners this season, it doesn't necessarily mean the entire quartet will run in varsity races.

"I think one of the things I want to do is help them get acclimated to a new sport," Bakula said, "and I also want them to gain confidence. If that means running in some JV races, that's what we'll do. The goal — just like it was for people like Jalyssa, Cambree and Jaycie [Byrne, a 2021 graduate] — hasn't changed. We want to get better and faster as the season progresses."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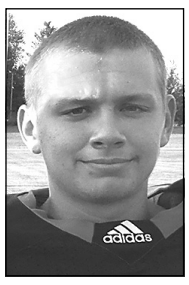
Haylee Hanson
Freshman


Russell Nieman
Junior

Morgan Wenthold
Freshman

Turkey Valley XC Schedule

Sept. 1	at Charles City	5 p.m.
Sept. 10	at All-American Invite, Luther College	9 a.m.
Sept. 13	at Starmont	4 p.m.
Sept. 20	at Waukon	4 p.m.
Oct. 1	at Crestwood	10 a.m.
Oct. 4	at South Winneshiek	4 p.m.
Oct. 13	Upper Iowa Conference meet, at Luana	4 p.m.
Oct. 20	Class 1A state qualifier	TBA
Oct. 29	Class 1A state meet	Morning session

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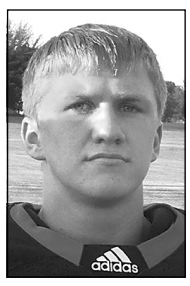
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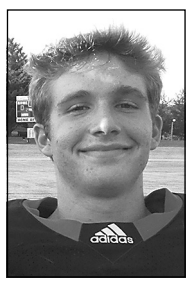
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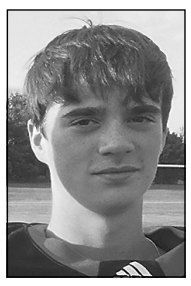
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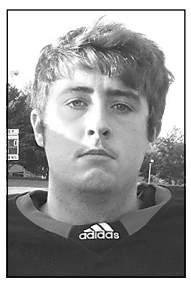
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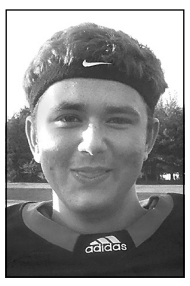
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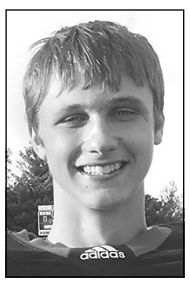
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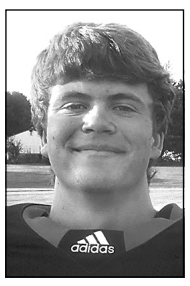
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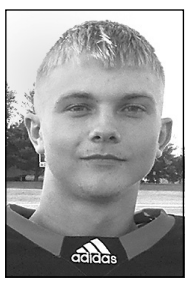
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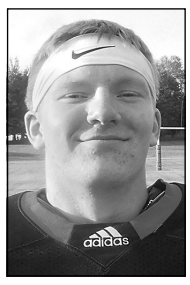
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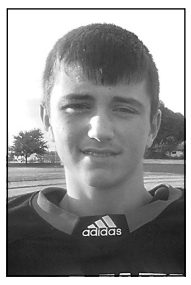
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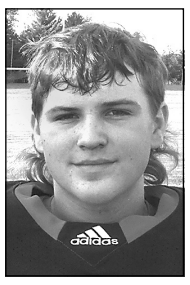
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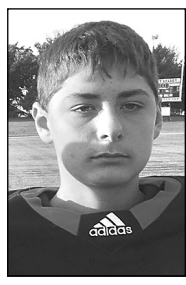
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Plenty of firepower

Turkey Valley football looks to reach even loftier height

By Kelly Terpstra
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Turkey Valley has the horses.

Now it's just a matter of letting these ponies run.

Opponents may want to hold on tight to the saddle, because trying to tame Mark Scott's powerhouse squad in Jackson Junction might induce a few bumps and bruises should one try to pull back on the reins.

An eight-second ride might be wishful thinking.

The Turkey Valley football team ran roughshod through its regular season schedule last fall en route to a perfect 8-0 record. That unblemished 2021 regular season campaign was highlighted by a thrilling double-overtime thriller over the perennial-power Dons of Don Bosco. TV's 48-42 win over the 8-Man stalwart was the first time the Trojans had ever defeated Don Bosco.

TV's dream of another trip on to the carpet of the UNI-Dome and the state semifinals was stopped short in the second round of the playoffs against rival Kee High in 2021. The Hawks outlasted TV in a wild affair, 42-40. TV was vying to crack the semis and play in Cedar Falls at the University of Northern Iowa's indoor home stadium for the second time in school history after playing there in 2019.

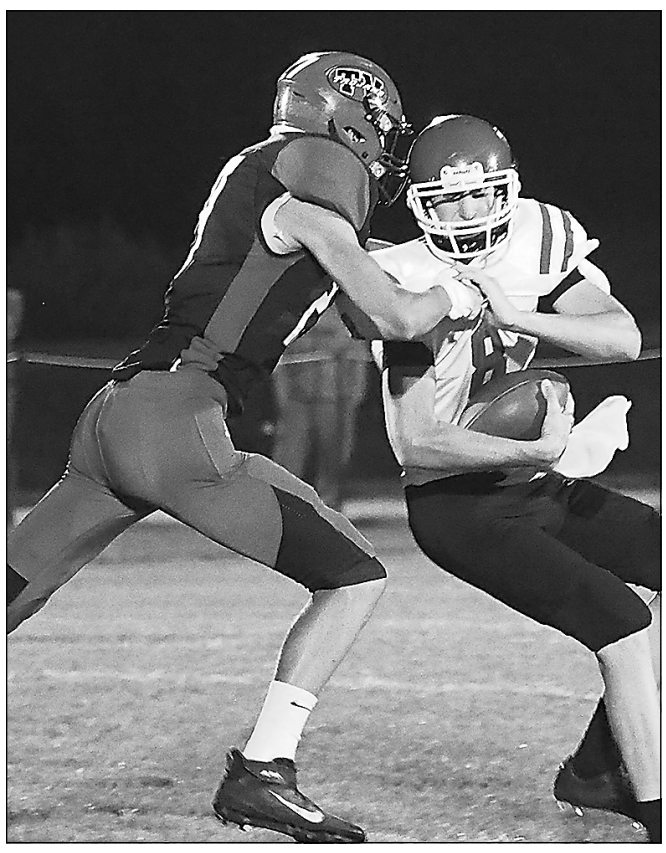
New dawn, new day.

That page has been turned.

"Well, that game was last year, so it's in the past. So we don't really dwell on that a whole lot, to be honest," said Scott.

Scott begins his 20th season at the helm of TV this fall and he has weapons back across the board on each side of the ball.

At least on paper, Turkey Valley appears like they have the firepower to win quite a few games. Scott said a key factor as to whether or not that will happen is his squad needs to remain healthy and not buy into the preseason hype.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Turkey Valley's Ryan Franzen tackles a Riceville player during the Trojans' undefeated regular season last fall.

"As long as we keep focus and don't get too big of heads - we've got to get better and better as we go," said Scott.

While the Associated Press does not release preseason rankings, the Cedar Rapids Gazette has TV tabbed at No. 8 in its preseason 8-Man poll.

TV averaged over 46 points a contest, which was somewhat skewed because of the Trojans' first win of the season. That was a 14-0 triumph against Edgewood-Colesburg and that contest was halted because of severe weather. The second half was not completed. Needless to say, TV can score.

That's a necessity in 8-Man where more wide open spaces make it easier to navigate on offense due to less players on the field compared to the 11-man game.

"People may not understand, to win consistently in this game you have to score 45 to 60 points and be able to," said Scott. "With the kids we've got coming back, I think we'll be able to do that."

TV senior quarterback Noah Hanson, a third-team all-state selection last year, is Scott's signal caller and he's a treat to watch. Hanson can both run and pass - which is almost a necessity if teams want to win on a regular basis in the smallest of the seven classes in the state of Iowa.

"He had a nice season last year," said Scott. "He makes good decisions and he throws a nice ball. This year he's probably going to run it a little more than he did last year. The kids have confidence in him. They know he can do the job."

Hanson passed for 751 yards and threw 13 touchdowns. He rushed for almost 500 yards and was one of the better, if not the best, punt returners in eight-man football.

TV will have to fill the void of losing first team all-state performers Marcus Herold (RB/LB) and offensive lineman Collin Kleppe to graduation.

Will Turkey Valley's offense look a little different with Herold and Kleppe gone?

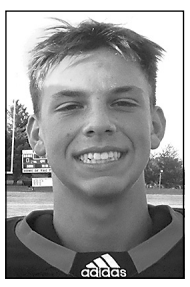
"It is and it isn't," said Scott. "Year in and year out we'll run our play we call our bread and butter and it runs through the fullback. When we're consistently winning games, that play has to work. With Oliver (Schmitt) back there, it will work just fine. We run it a lot. Teams know it's coming but you still gotta be able to stop it."

Schmitt, a 6-0, 180-pound junior, will replace Herold at fullback and also play at the linebacker position. He cranked out 240 yards on the ground in 2021 and contributed with 34.5 tackles on defense.

"He doesn't run quite like Marcus, but he brings a different dynamic to it. He's a good back to get through the hole. He does a good job of avoiding getting tackled," said Scott.

Herold was a ground-and-pound punishing back for TV. His physical style of play allowed the Trojans to grind out drives and wear down defenses - only to catch opponents sleeping by letting Hanson run out of the pocket or connect through the air with his tall and athletic receiving targets in the passing game.

Herold rushed for 1,171 yards and scored 24 rushing touchdowns. He also tied for the team lead in total tackles (55) along with Dylan Reicks.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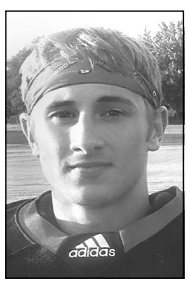
Troy Schmitt
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Mauricio Tinajero
Sr. • DL

Reicks was another all-stater and dangerous weapon for TV that also graduated.

The cupboard is far from bare, though.

Back this year are athletic senior offensive weapons Chase Hayek (6-2) and Calvin Bodensteiner (6-3). They'll catch passes and do a lot of different things in Scott's offense. While Bodensteiner and Hayek's numbers aren't eye-popping, that's partly because they were playing behind Reicks (426 yards rushing, 224 yards receiving) and an all-district standout in Garrett Kurtenbach (240 yards receiving), who was also a senior last fall for the Trojans.

Perhaps TV's most gifted athlete is senior running back Carson Busta, who is also a returning starter at cornerback along with Bodensteiner. Busta can do a little bit of everything and rushed for 251 yards.

"He's a good high school back. He's quick. He reads well. He catches the ball," said Scott.

Burke Busta, a junior, also has a high motor and will see his fair share of carries at his backfield position in an offense that should spread the ball around quite a bit.

Senior Treyton Hulbert is a multiple-year starter at center and will also try to plug holes on the defensive line.

Trojan senior Ryan Franzen, who stands an imposing 6-7, is a star defensive end that is back for Scott's squad as well.

Scott projects his starting guards as seniors Troy Schmitt and Brady Fischer. Trojan seniors Arin Rausch, Mauricio Tinajero and Hulbert will rotate on the interior defensive line.

TV junior Caleb Kurtenbach will backup Hanson at quarterback and is a returning letterwinner. Trojan junior guards – Russell Nieman and Braylen Byrne – are also returning letterwinners.

One drawback to TV's schedule is that Rockford has been taken off of it. The Warriors will not compete on the varsity level this year as low numbers precipitated the move.

That means TV loses a game and will play just seven games in the regular season (five district matchups).

"Every game will be big when you start district. You can't let somebody sneak up and knock you off because you didn't play well," said Scott.

TV, which went 9-1 a year ago, opens the season this Friday at Community Dreams Field in Ed-Co. The rematch and showdown against Don Bosco is slated the following week and will be played in Jackson Junction.

Turkey Valley Football Schedule

Aug. 26	at Edgewood-Colesburg V	7 p.m.
Aug. 29	**Gladbrook-Reinbeck JV**	**6 p.m.**
Sept. 2	**Don Bosco V**	**7 p.m.**
Sept. 6	**Riceville JV**	**6 p.m.**
Sept. 12	at Northwood-Kensett JV	
Sept. 16	at Riceville V	7 p.m.
Sept. 20	at Kee High JV	6 p.m.
Sept. 23	**Janesville V (Homecoming)**	**7 p.m.**
Sept. 26	**West Central JV**	**6 p.m.**
Sept. 30	at Clarksville V	7 p.m.
Oct. 3	**Dunkerton JV**	**6 p.m.**
Oct. 7	at Tripoli V	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	at Tripoli JV	6 p.m.
Oct. 14	**West Central V**	**7 p.m.**

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Fall veterans: The returning letterwinners

New Hampton Volleyball

Kneeling: Alivya Wisner, Claire Geerts and Carlee Rochford.
Standing: Kandice Eggerichs, Paige Steinlage, Jenna Tank, Molly Wegner, Marissa Cahoy and Hailee Pesek.

Turkey Valley Football

Kneeling: Calvin Bodensteiner, Mauricio Tinajero, Noah Hanson and Carson Busta.
Back row: Troy Schmitt, Brady Fischer, Treyton Hulbert, Ryan Franzen, Arin Rausch and Chase Hayek.

New Hampton football

Kneeling: Quentin Reicks, Ben Tenge, Isaac Howe, Hunter Serie and Evan Knowlton.
Sitting: Ben Gilbert, Cael Laures, Carsyn Leistikow, Daniel Orthaus, Marshall Zeien, Logan Peterman, Kam Josephson, Gatlin McCumber and Aiden Roberson.
Standing: Ty Robinson, Aiden Brincks, Leander Reicks, Talyn Bohaty, Carter Steinlage, Logan Fettkether, Carter Cahoy, Ethan Praska, Braden McShane and Brady Speltz.

Turkey Valley Volleyball

Jacqlyn Schmitt, Brianna Busta, Clare Courtney, Halle Weber and Adriana Tiedt.

We at the Tribune wish all Chickasaws and Trojans the best of luck on the gridiron, court and course this fall!

New Hampton Cross Country

Front row: Natalie Nosbisch, Zoey Dreckman, Campbelle Kolbet and Catherine Pethoud.
Back row: Bailey Cox, Cam McMorris, Treyce Orr, Jack Shawver and Peyton Anderson.

Returning letterwinner photos by the Tribune's Dorothy Huber and Kelly Terpstra and Decorah Newspapers' Becky Walz

Chickasaws hope busy summer pays off in fall

NH Football: From 12

New Hampton's offense, meanwhile, has even more staring experience returning.

McShane ran for 1,248 yards on 213 carries, caught nine passes for 158 yards and was 2-for-2 passing for 96 yards as he accounted for 15 touchdowns while Howe added 137 yards in 34 carries and Tenge had 118 yards on just 12 attempts.

"We want to run the football, but at the same time, we want to be as balanced as we can be," Frerichs said. "We have some nice backs and a lot of lineman back so that's a positive."

Up front, New Hampton welcomes back four starters — Peterman, Marshall Zeien, Daniel Orthaus and Logan Fettkether while senior Carsyn Leistikow will be tasked to replace Burgart at center.

Peterman is coming off a busy summer in which he attended nine football camps — traveling much of Iowa and hitting camps in Minnesota and Illinois as well.

"I feel like it helped me a lot, playing a lot against guys who are going to play college ball," Peterman said. "The big thing is I learned to move my feet better, and I got a better understanding of the game."

And while Peterman hopes to play beyond the season, his focus is the present, not the future.

"All I'm thinking about right now is New Hampton football," he said, "and helping my team having a great season."

Maybe the biggest unknown heading into the season in the Chickasaws' passing game; after all, gone are Wemark, who caught 46 passes for 925 yards and 12 touchdowns, and Lane, who took virtually every snap behind center in 2021.

But two senior ends — Carter Steinlage and Aiden Roberson — return, and Speltz has looked good in the preseason. And the Chickasaws' new quarterback may be inexperienced, at least when it comes to varsity quarterbacking, but he's confident.

"I don't feel any pressure. I just feel super excited," said Speltz, who joined his teammates for three 7-on-7 tournaments and a couple of camps over the summer. "That helped a lot. We have big goals this year so we knew we had to put the work in to get them."

To get to the playoffs, New Hampton will have to navigate a schedule that includes that opener with MFL-Mar-Mac, which is ranked in Class 1A, and Class 4A Charles City, as well as a district that will be, in a word, competitive.

Osage is No. 6 in those Des Moines Register rankings, Clear Lake looks strong again and both Garner-Hayfield-Ventura and Crestwood return plenty of experience.

"I like where we're at right now," Frerichs said, "but if we're at the same level in October, that's not good. We have to get better, but these guys work hard and I know they will put the time and effort we need to be a good football team."

Tenge was asked what the goal was for the Chickasaws as they begin the season, and his answer confirmed that New Hampton is embracing the high expectations.

"We want to get to the dome," he said, referring to the UNI-Dome, where the playoff semifinals and championship game are played in November.

It's a place New Hampton hasn't been since 2009, which means this year's seniors were all of 5 years old the last time the Chickasaws traveled to Cedar Falls.

"We're ready, and we've worked hard to make this the season we want," Tenge said, "and honestly, I wish it was Friday right now. We can't wait to play some football."

Chickasaws have high expectations

NH XC: From 14

off — her reserved demeanor takes a back seat once she hits the ground running and flies past competitors toward the finish line.

Nosbisch is the centerpiece of Ohrt's girls squad and placed 35th at state in her first ever run on the vaunted state course held at Kennedy Park.

"The team just loves her," said Ohrt. "We all do. She fit in really well with all of us crazies."

The state course at Fort Dodge can be intimidating, especially for a freshman running without a teammate. That's all the more incentive for other Chickasaws to hit another gear and join Nosbisch over at Fort Dodge if all goes as planned this fall.

"I know that they're going to do great and I said, 'I have high expectations for you guys.' We need to up our game," said Ohrt.

Perhaps the biggest gold nugget that the Chickasaws were able to mine out of that aforementioned state qualifier were the tangible results that proved each team (boys/girls) has what it takes to compete against the state's best.

"They finally were able to see and witness their potential in black and white. I can talk until I'm blue in the face and tell them stuff, but until they see the success for themselves it won't mean anything," said Ohrt.

NH senior Campbelle Kolbet placed 27th at that Dike-New Hartford state qualifier and returns for her final prep season. Also back is senior Treyce Orr, who finished 23rd at districts. Chickasaw junior Jack Shawver (30th at districts) is another powerful runner for New Hampton. Cam McMorris, a junior, is also a proven commodity and has plenty of talent that should make him a mainstay in Ohrt's top seven.

Also in the mix to crack the top seven and run on the varsity squad are junior Kyler Glenn and sophomore Jarrin Robinson. Senior Jacob Frahm, sophomores Caleb Zeien, Eddie Arnold, Xander Meyerhoff and Nashua-Plainfield transfer Braiden Schaufenbuel are also ones to keep an eye on.

Freshman Easton Monteith and Collin Shatek round out the boys roster.

"The cool thing is I think there's going to be kids that surprise us this year," said Ohrt. "There's going to be people on this team that step up because they're just that much more motivated this year than I've ever seen."

NH senior Bailey Cox made tremendous strides last season and is a returning letterwinner for the Chickasaws girls team. Fellow senior Catherine Pethoud also won a letter last year and will be counted on by Ohrt and her teammates.

Zoey Dreckman (10th) , McKenzie Herzberg (9th), Ella Knutson (9th), Tegan Dungey (9th) and Rebecca Wickman (9th) will all look to lower their times throughout the season and climb the ladder of success.

Ohrt has set the bar high and that will also mean an increased workload for many.

"We're increasing mileage this year, which for some, they're ready for it — for some I think it's a little daunting," said Ohrt.

Ohrt said competition for spots on the squad is fierce, yet friendly. Running in packs and pushing each other's physical limits may be a recipe for success on a team that gets along well.

"That will maybe ignite people who are in that middle group to be kind of like, 'hey, I wanna run with these guys. I wanna do that extra mile,'" said Ohrt. "I want to be able to push those kids through that plateau and motivate them."

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New Hampton's Elaina Rosonke (above, right) and Alivya Wisner gear up for a serve to come across the net and teammate Carlee Rochford (below) winds up during Tuesday night's season opening triangular.

Cruising on Opening Night

Chickasaws open season with sweeps of Jesup, N-P

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A kill or a block?

Elaina Rosonke doesn't much care, but she sure can describe what the difference is and how it feels to accomplish both.

"A block is really hyped because you're just shutting the other team down," said Rosonke. "A kill gives the same energy, but it's not the same vibe because that's all you. Getting a block, that just takes away from the other team and it's just a different, special feeling. The air is like electric."

Rosonke, New Hampton's talented and energetic senior middle for the Chickasaw volleyball team, had fun Tuesday night causing all sorts of fits for the outgunned and overmatched Jesup J-Hawks and Nashua-Plainfield Huskies.

The season-opener for all three squads was a triangular that went the way of the Chickasaws. New Hampton – gunning for its second state berth in school history this season – features a power-packed lineup. That's why it was no surprise the Chickasaws cruised past each team with easy sweeps. NH (2-0) rolled past Jesup, 25-12 and 25-16, and made quick work of N-P by scores of 25-9, 25-11.

NH head coach Jess Geerts talked about the pros and cons of playing two squads that lost a considerable amount of talent from a year ago.

"It's tough when you play two rebuilding teams right out of the gate. It's also good because that kind of gives you a good chance of what you really need to fine-tune because if we were perfect they wouldn't have scored any points," said Geerts.

Rosonke finished with five blocks in the opener against Jesup and the Chickasaws finished with 12 blocks overall in the first win of the season over Jesup. NH broke a 6-6 tie against N-P in the second game with an 8-0 run to put the match away.

Marissa Cahoy, NH's all-state junior middle, wound up with 15 kills and senior Carlee Rochford had five ace serves.

NEW HAMPTON 2, JESUP 0

New Hampton	25	25
Jesup	12	16

Kills - Marissa Cahoy 8, Carlee Rochford 4, Elaina Rosonke 3, Kandice Eggerichs 3, Hailee Pesek 3, Paige Steinlage 1.

Assists - Molly Wegner 11, Steinlage 7, Jenna Tank 1, Alivya Wisner 1.

Digs - Cahoy 5, Taylor Ries 3, Tank 1, Steinlage 1, Eggerichs 1, Rochford 1.

Blocks - Rosonke 5, Eggerichs 3, Steinlage 2, Cahoy 2.

Serving - Ries 4-4, Wegner 2-5, Chaos 2-3, Steinlage 11-11, Eggerichs 5-5, Rochford 14-15, Rosonke 4-5.

Aces - Steinlage 4, Rochford 2.

NEW HAMPTON 2, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 0

New Hampton	25	25
Nashua-Plainfield	9	11

Kills - Cahoy 7, Rochford 5, Rosonke 4, Steinlage 2, Pesek 2, Braelyn Rosonke 1.

Assists - Steinlage 10, Wegner 8, Ries 1, Tank 1.

Digs - Ries 6, Cahoy 6, Tank 5, Steinlage 3, Wegner 2, Wisner 2, E. Rosonke 1.

Blocks - Steinlage 1, Pesek 1, B. Rosonke 1, Rochford 1, E. Rosonke 1.

Serving - Ries 4-5, Wegner 3-4, Cahoy 8-8, Tank 9-9, Steinlage 3-4, B. Rosonke 5-5, Rochford 6-6, E. Rosonke 6-6.

Aces - Tank 3, Rochford 3, E. Rosonke 1, Cahoy 1.

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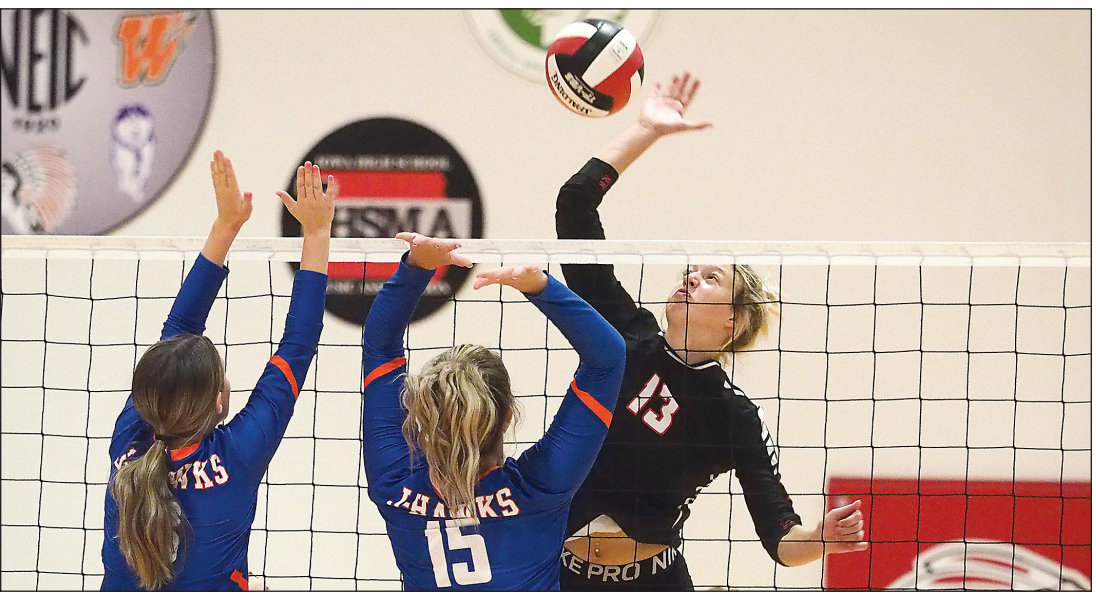
It gets real this Friday!

New Hampton's Isaac Howe (above) makes a catch during last week's scrimmage with Decorah, and before the two teams lined up, New Hampton's cheerleading squad (below) makes its way to the stadium.

The Chickasaws will play their first game this Friday when they take on MFL-Mar-Mac in a non-district game.



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