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Fall weather, Christmas spirit

Mild temps greet Santa on Thursday and Saturday in New Hampton



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No frightful weather this year. New Hampton held its Ho Ho Ho, to New Hampton Let's Go event Thursday, and, unless you wanted some snow, the weather was perfect. Youngsters (left) hang out in the manger during the night, where present was Mary, Joseph, an angel and.... a wise man? Above, the Grinch — maybe in his sick bed from COVID — is being read a story at Expressions.



Watching the action by elves in the Hometown TV and Appliance window are Olivia (left) and Harper Geerts.



Too close, too close! Levi Lechtenberg tries to get his brother Landon to visit with Santa at the Carnegie Cultural Center Saturday but Landon's not having anything to do with that.



The entire crew of Frozen, including Olaf (Caden Gray), Little Anna (Cassidy Gray), Sven (Jenny Bouillon), Christoff, (Cody Gray), Elsa (Chelsie Gray) and Anna (Kenzie Bouillon) greet people at Sweets by Keke. And those orange dots that smattered the noses of little people throughout town, like the one on Breana Smith, right, being held by her mother Kayla at Pocketful of Posies, came from here.



With all due respect, Santa, Callan Shekleton is more interested in the candy cane he sees at Santa Saturday while below, Lila Mitchell seems a little shy while talking to Santa Thursday night.



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New Hampton shines at state dance

DANCE TEAM: FROM 1

ago. Marr and Steinlage both received Division I ratings with their individual dances, and Marr missed out being a state placewinner by just one place as she finished 11th. And Emma Carpenter and Ariana Meyerhoff both received Division II individual ratings.

Add it all up and it was one heck of a ride inside Wells Fargo Arena.

Start with the title performance, one that gave New Hampton just one of six Judge's Choice Awards handed out during the three-day competition.

"That is so hard to get," Schwickerath said, "and I mean that's way harder to get than a state championship trophy. It's an award that is, I don't know how to put it, goes to a team that the judges just can't

stop talking about. It has to be creative, unique and all that, and then they have to perform it, too. And our girls knocked it out. They were just amazing."

And it started with, like we said, humble beginnings. "It took us a long time, but we really kept working at it," Marr said. "We knew if we could handle the props, we had something special. For a while, I didn't know if we were going to get there, but then all of a sudden, it clicked."

Steinlage agreed. "About a month ago, it was like, 'Wow, we're getting this down' and it was so cool," she said. "It was definitely different, but it was so much fun. ... When you're doing it, you have a feeling but it wasn't until we watched the tape and then it was like we nailed that thing."

And Schwickerath was just as proud of her third-place hip-

hop team as she was of her title-winning team. And why not? New Hampton scored a point higher than it did a year ago and competed against bigger schools than it did in 2021.

"Those are the schools we've looked up to," Marr said, "and now we're competing against them. I mean I was just as happy with how we did with hip-hop this year as I was last year."

The state championships capped another brilliant season for New Hampton dance and ended a hectic two-week period for eight of the dancers as Luca Moody, Olivia Horner, Baylee Rapenske, Carpenter, Lauren Smith, Emily Manweiler, Meyerhoff and Annala Elliott all participated in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City the week before state.

"We have so many kids who love dance," Schwickerath said.

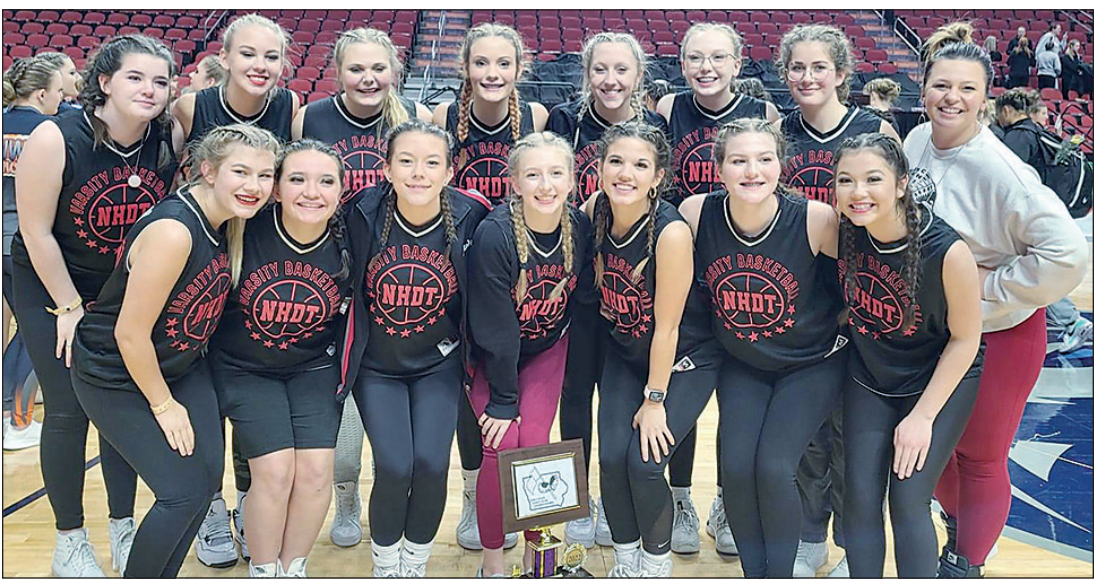


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New Hampton's state championship dance team includes (front row, from left) Luca Moody, Ariana Meyerhoff, Maddie Hidding, Natalie Marr, Katie Steinlage, Baylee Rapenske, Kelli Jirak, (back) Ava Thronndson, Annala Elliott, Emily Manweiler, Emma Carpenter, Lauren Smith, Olivia Horner, Rosalie Lentz and coach Emma Schwickerath.

"They work at it so hard. Unless you're in dance, you don't realize how many hours these kids

put into this. That would be enough for me. I won't lie, winning a state championship is

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While those things may happen, it usually isn’t too long before we adjust our plans or discard them entirely. We find that we don’t have the willpower or the strength to do everything we want to do.

The new Church Year puts the focus in a differ-

ent place. We don’t enter the Church Year with big plans about what we are going to do. We enter the Church Year hearing what God does for us.

The Church Year begins with Advent. Advent is the season of preparation for Christmas, and it starts on the fourth Sunday before Christmas.

In Advent, we learn the reason for Jesus’ coming. The Son of God was born into the world to save us from our sin, death, and the devil. He came to give up His life on the cross, so that the entire debt of our sin would be

paid in full.

This season also reminds us that Jesus still comes invisibly to bless us through His Word and Sacraments, and that He will come visibly in all His glory on the last day.

We enter the new Church Year in a very different way than we enter the new calendar year. We acknowledge that we don’t have it all together. We can’t fix everything on our own.

We bow our heads and duck through the stable door of Advent, so that we may once again find



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comfort in the Baby in the manger, the Son of God incarnate, the Savior of the world.

Jesus' birth is foretold in the Old Testament

One of the great realities of Scripture is the prophetic nature of the Bible. There are predictions made in Scripture that have already come true, and there are many that we are waiting to come true – for example the second coming of Jesus Christ. Yet, before he comes the second time he had to come the first time.

The prediction of Jesus’ first coming was foretold all throughout the Old Testament. You might be wondering where does the Old Testament predict Jesus’ birth?

Let’s look at five places where the Old Testament accurately predicts Jesus’ birth

• Genesis 3:15 – “And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”

From the very beginning, right after Adam and Eve disobeyed God, he gave indication that a savior would be coming from the seed of the woman, Eve. God revealed right away that this seed would be the one that would crush the head of the serpent. We know that seed pointed to Jesus. Moses is credited as the author of the book of Genesis. The time of his writing isn’t one hundred percent certain, but is estimated to be about 1500 years before Christ was born.

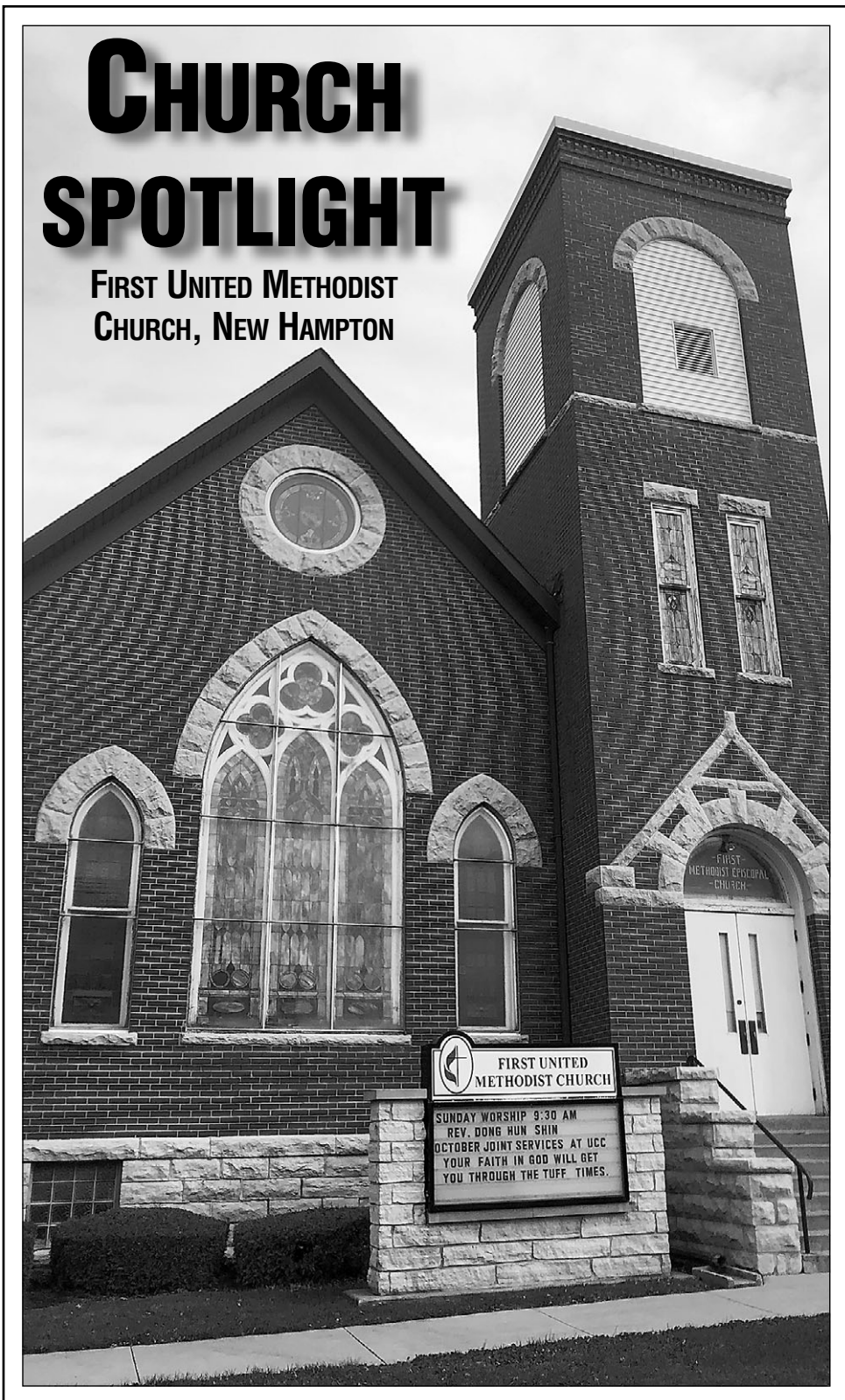
• Genesis 12:3 – “I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

In this verse, God is making a promise to Abraham that he would make him into a great nation. As part of that promise he tells him that all people on earth will be blessed through you. This blessing of all mankind points to the one who would redeem peoples from every tribe and tongue on the face of the earth. The blessing of salvation was for all who would believe.

• Isaiah 7:14: “Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.”

This Scripture points to the manner in which he will born, and also to one of the names given to Christ: Immanuel, meaning God with us. This was pointing to both his human birth and his divine nature. This was written over 700 years before Christ was born.

• Micah 5:2 – “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel,



whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.”

We know Jesus was born in Bethlehem and this Scripture tells us in advance the place Jesus would be born. This prophecy was written by Micah approximately 800 years before Christ was born.

• Hosea 11:1 – “When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.”

This prophecy was written by Hosea

also approximately 800 years before Christ was born. This verse looks backward and forward. Remember the Israelites were slaves in Egypt when God brought them out. Also remember that Joseph and Mary fled to Egypt with the baby Jesus to avoid the slaughter by Herod. This verse can apply to both of those situations. However, it was referred to by Matthew in his writings (Matthew 2:14-15).

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Retirees Fear Becoming A Burden

It's human nature to want to make things easier for our loved ones – and to have great concern about adding any stress to their lives. In fact, 72% of retirees say that one of their biggest fears is becoming a burden on their families, according to the Edward Jones/Age Wave *Four Pillars of the New Retirement* study. How can you address this fear?

First, don't panic. In all the years leading up to your retirement, there's a lot you can do to help maintain your financial independence and avoid burdening your grown children or other family members. Consider these suggestions:

- *Increase contributions to your retirement plans and health savings account.* The greater your financial resources, the greater your financial independence – and the less likely you would ever burden your family. So, contribute as much as you can afford to your IRA, your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan. At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's matching contributions, if offered, and increase your contributions whenever your salary goes up. You may also want to contribute to a health savings account (HSA), if it's available.
- *Invest for growth potential.* If you start investing early enough, you'll have a long time horizon, which means you'll have the opportunity to take advantage of investments that offer growth potential. So, in all your investment vehicles – IRA, 401(k), HSA and whatever other accounts you may have – try to devote a reasonable percentage of your portfolio to growth-oriented investments, such as stocks and stock-based funds. Of course, there are no guarantees and you will undoubtedly see market fluctuations and downturns, but you can help reduce the impact of volatility by holding a diversified portfolio for the long term and periodically rebalancing it to help ensure it is aligned with your risk tolerance and time horizon. Keep in mind, though, that diversification does not ensure a profit or protect against loss in a declining market.
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- *Create your estate plans.* If you were ever to become incapacitated, you could end up imposing various burdens on your family. To guard against this possibility, you'll want to ensure your estate plans contain key documents, such as a financial power of attorney and a health care directive. It's safe to say that no one ever wants to become a financial burden to their family. But putting appropriate strategies in place can go a long way toward helping avoid this outcome.

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AMR makes pitch to Ambulance Council

Company's regional director says AMR will use on-call personnel to staff second ambulance

By BOB FENSKE
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AMR officials told the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council last week that their bid to provide ambulance service includes having two ambulances "if at all possible" in the county, but numerous residents questioned the bid during a meeting that lasted for more than two hours.

AMR Regional Director Mark Corley told council members that despite the fact his company's subsidy request stated "to provide one 24-hour Basic Life Support (BLS) ambulance with the potential to deploy as an [higher-level] ALS resources as often as possible, AMR requires a first-year subsidy of \$245,000," his company has always intended to have two rigs housed in the county.

He said the first rig will be staffed by those who will work 24-hour shifts and be housed in living quarters while the second rig will be staffed by "on-call" personnel.

"Staffing will be the key when it comes to on-call," Corley said, "and that's a challenge, one that all of us in EMS face right now, but if at all possible – if we can get the on-call staffing – we will have two staffed ambulances here."

Corley said AMR would do its best to hire paramedics, but he also conceded that "I don't want to promise something I can't deliver, which is why we put the bid in that we put in."

He told Ambulance Council members that his company does accept Medicare and Medicaid but does not have agreements with private insurance companies.

AMR was the only company that provided a bid to the Ambulance Council after it sent out requests for proposals (RFPs) earlier this fall. The council currently has a two-year contract with Chickasaw Ambulance Service that was scheduled to run through June 30, 2023, but after the council sent out its RFPs, the current provider opted out of the contract, effective this coming June 30.

Chickasaw Ambulance Service is receiving \$217,500 this fiscal year and was scheduled to receive a little more than \$228,000 in the fiscal year that begins this coming July 1. Under its contract, Chickasaw Ambulance Service is supposed to have two



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AMR Regional Director Mark Corley makes a point as he answers a question from a resident during last week's meeting of the Ambulance Council.

ambulances staffed at all times.

AMR's bid is for \$245,000 during the first year of the contract and 5 percent increases each year for a three-year contract total of \$772,363.

Corley stood by his company's equipment and personnel even after several residents brought up concerns they had about their company.

Josh Schuchhardt asked "how can you come to Chickasaw County and tell us we're going to staff an ambulance, have an ambulance all the time, when we're taking a lot of calls each week from Floyd County?"

Dawn Staudt, the AMR Charles City station manager, pointed out that those calls were "transfers" and that she "won't dump our 911 area. ... As much as humanely possible, unless we have three or four 911 calls all backed up together, I don't dump my county. ... A lot of those transfers requested is because they have already sent us out."

Corley said that AMR's beginning annual pay scale was at \$38,000 for drivers, \$43,000 for EMTs and \$48,000 for paramedics, and in response to a question by Chickasaw County Supervisor and Ambulance Council member Jacob

Hackman about the on-call system, "it will depend on the success of hiring part-time employees or asking someone who is not on shift that day to take calls."

He did clarify that AMR didn't expect the county to pay for garage space or living quarters but that it would pay what he called the "fair-market rate."

"Look, that can come off the subsidy," he said, "and honestly, a lot of this is going to be negotiated when we're working on the contract."

The Ambulance Council did not take any action on AMR's bid; instead, council members said they would go back to their city councils and look for direction on what they want to do with the bid.

A number of residents, though, said they were uncomfortable with the bid.

"I think there are a lot of issues with this," said MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center CEO and President Aaron Flugum. "There are a lot of things to think about given this proposal."

"I know everyone here wants to get to what the best level of care is that we can provide in Chickasaw County and I'm not sure I heard that tonight."

Supervisor wants per-capita system to stay

AMBULANCE: FROM 1

County starting its own service back in late May. He made a number of phone calls to see if the county could legally use federal funds from the America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to start a service. He said the county is receiving about \$2.3 million from the federal program and that he felt it would be prudent to set aside \$1.5 million to build the "infrastructure" for a service.

He said that during a June

Board of Supervisors meeting, Chickasaw Ambulance Service owner Jeremy McGrath said he was going to be "done" on June 30, 2023, "and for me, that made considering this even more important. We had a deadline and we had to see if this was feasible. But like I said, we had to have our ducks in a row."

Byrne, meanwhile, began exploring building options for a service that would have between two and three ambulances and need living quarters.

"I think he has six or seven options right now," Holthaus said, "and I think he has a good handle on that."

Holthaus said it took several months before he got the official OK from state officials that ARPA funds could be used for an ambulance service, but he added that he also wanted to consider how the service would receive ongoing funding. He found two options – a voter-approved EMS levy or using the current funding mechanism the Ambulance Council has in which the county pays 40 percent of any ambulance contract and the county's cities, on a per-capita basis, pay the other 60 percent.

"I woke up in the middle of the night because this thing has been haunting me," Holthaus said, "and I thought, 'Why don't I use the current funding as my safety net?'"

Holthaus said he went back to the phone and made more calls to make sure that would be appropriate.

"In my mind, whether you do it per capita or the EMS levy rate, the revenue generated by either one of them is the same – property taxes," he said. "[Fellow Supervisor and Ambulance Council member] Jake [Hackman] is not a big fan of property taxes. I am not either, but until the State Legislature figures out something different, that's what we have to live with."

He said his biggest concern about the EMS levy was what would happen if the county invested the ARPA money into starting an ambulance service and voters rejected the levy.

"If we do take it to the voters

and it fails, then what? The 28E appears to be working so why not go that route?"

Before Holthaus talked about his idea, several Ambulance Council members said they had heard "rumors" about a county-owned service.

"But that's all it is to us, rumors," said Fredericksburg Mayor Jimmy Mitchell, "and we have to go with what we have in front of us. We can't base our decision on rumors."

Even after Holthaus spoke, Mitchell and other Ambulance Council members said they had to take AMR's proposal back to their city councils and get feedback on it. And he said until a "public meeting is held," he didn't believe the council members could bring back the county proposal to their cities.

At Monday's Board of Supervisors meeting, which took place after this edition of the Tribune went to press, supervisors were scheduled to discuss sending a letter to cities proposing the idea of a county-owned ambulance service.

Holthaus told the Ambulance Council that hurdles remained to be cleared for that service to become a reality.

He said he felt it was important to have discussions with McGrath's Chickasaw Ambulance Service, which opted out of its contract and is scheduled to end service on June 30, 2022.

"That's not enough time for the county or anybody to get anything up and running," Holthaus said. "I think that's where we have to go ... we have to talk with Jeremy and ask him 'are you willing to extend June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023?'"

Breakfast with Santa set for Saturday

The New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department will hold its annual Breakfast with Santa event from 8:30 to 10 a.m. this Saturday.

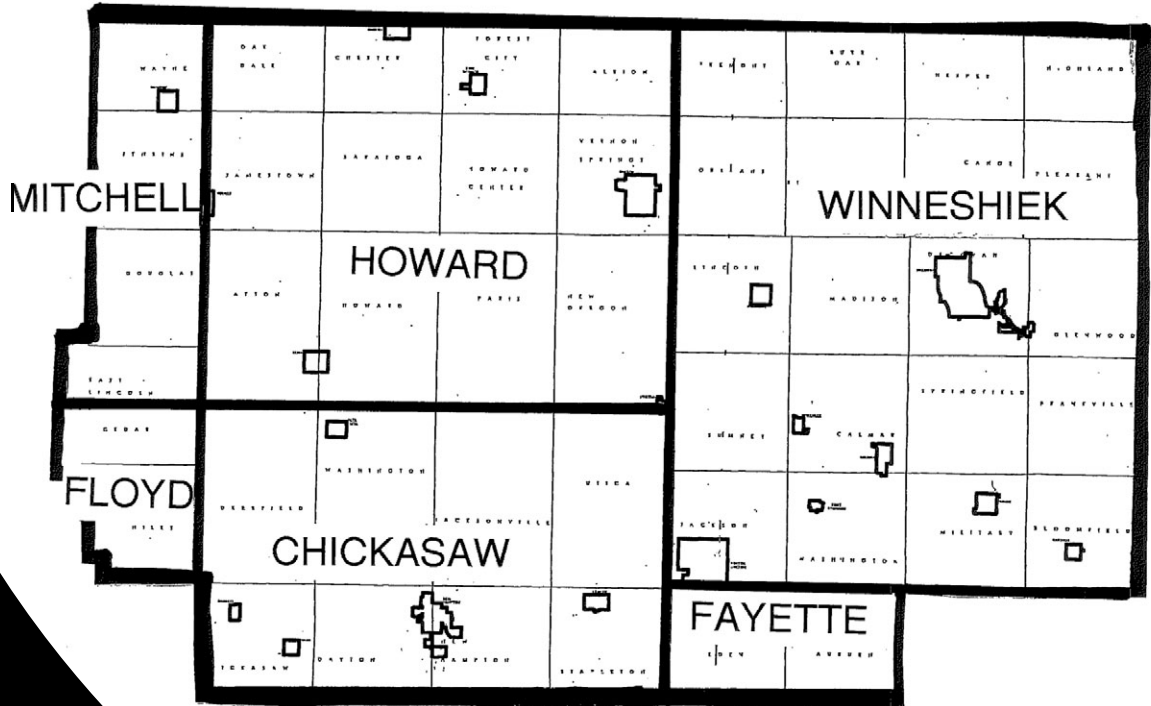
Children will have a chance to talk with Santa at the New Hampton Community Center, and families can enjoy a breakfast that includes French toast sticks, eggs, sausage and a drink.

Admission is an item for the Chickasaw County Food Pantry, which is asking residents not to bring "expired food."



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Online Poll

New Hampton’s favorite Christmas event, at least according to our online readers, is the Little Light of Mine display, which garnered 52 percent of last week’s vote, far ahead of Breakfast with Santa and Live Windows, which both received 19 percent of the vote.

This week we’re asking residents to weigh in on the possibility of having a county owned ambulance service. Vote today online at nhtrib.com.

Almanac

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Monday	56	27	--
Tuesday	48	27	--
Wednesday	52	27	--
Thursday	52	27	--
Friday	51	29	--
Saturday	36	30	--
Sunday	36	21	--

Forecast

Tuesday: Slight chance of snow with a high of 23 and low of 16.
Wednesday: Mostly sunny with a high of 32 and low of 24.
Thursday: Cloudy and breezy; high 42, low 27.
Friday: Cloudy with chance of rain or snow; high 39, low 24.
Early weekend forecast: Mostly sunny both days with highs near 40 and lows dropping into the upper teens.

History

- In 1787, Delaware becomes the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.
- In 1941, Japanese carrier-based planes conduct a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, killing more than 2,400 Americans and leading the U.S. to declare war on Japan the following day.
- In 1982, the first execution by lethal injection takes place in the U.S. when Charles Brooks, Jr., convicted of murdering an auto mechanic, is executed at the Texas State Penitentiary after being given an injection of sodium pentathol.
- In 1988, an earthquake strikes Armenia, leaving more than 60,000 dead.
- In 1989, Sugar Ray Leonard and Roberto Duran meet for the third and final time in the boxing ring, with Leonard winning a 12-round decision.

Birthdays

- Singer and songwriter Sara Bareilles turns 42.
- Former NFL wide receiver Terrell Owens turns 48.
- Actor C. Thomas Howell turns 55.
- NBA legend Larry Bird turns 65.
- Former Major League Baseball catcher Johnny Bench turns 74.

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Patricia Ann Recker, 81

Patricia Ann Recker, age 81 formerly from Alta Vista, passed away on Friday, Nov. 26, 2021, at Mayo Clinic Health Systems in Mankato, Minnesota.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 15, 2022, at 11 a.m. at Conway-Markham Funeral Home in Elma.

A private burial will be held previous to services.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Pat Recker was born on Jan. 4, 1940, to Al and Madonna Recker.

She attended and graduated from St. Williams School in Alta Vista. Pat received her bachelors and master's degrees in math and then taught at various schools.

Pat then decided to change her career and started to work at an optometrist office doing vision therapy in Independence. She moved to Kansas City, Missouri, working for Sprint as an administrative assistant. After retiring from Sprint, she was employed at an optometrist office doing vision therapy once again, working at the Kansas City Vision Performance Office. She truly enjoyed working with individuals, especially children, in helping them to correct their vision issues.

Pat enjoyed going to art museums in Kansas City, watching and attending the Kansas City Royals baseball games and numerous other attractions that Kansas City had to offer.

Pat loved and received much enjoyment from her kitties throughout the years. She enjoyed traveling as well, especially spending a week in Cabo San Lucas. She also enjoyed her summer trips to Maryland visiting her sister and then heading to the beach in Ocean City.

Pat then decided, for health



Pat Recker

reasons, to move to Mankato, Minnesota, to be closer to family. She moved into Old Main Village, an independent living facility, and made many friends there.

She enjoyed playing cards, participating in book clubs and numerous other activities as well as many family gatherings with Don's family, especially at the lake. She also enjoyed visiting her sisters in Wisconsin and in Illinois.

Pat leaves behind her sisters, Mary Jane (Cash) O'Rourke, Severna Park, Maryland, Rosemarie (Helmut) Bonigut, Paso Robles, California, Maggie (Tom Thiel) Rivers, Chilton, Wisconsin; one brother, Don (Lois) Recker, Cresco; two nieces and five nephews as well as several great nieces and nephews.

Pat is preceded in death by her parents, Al and Madonna Recker, along with her nephew, Brett Rivers.

Pat was a kind and loving person with the unique gift of being a great conversationalist and an equally great listener to both the young and the old. She will be greatly missed by her family, her many, many friends and her past co-workers.

Elaine Marie Costigan, 94

Elaine Marie Costigan, age 94 of New Hampton, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2021, at New Hampton Nursing & Rehab Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler with Father Nicholas Radloff celebrating the mass.

Visitation was held on Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Lawler with a Rosary at 3:30 p.m. followed by a Scripture Service at 6:30 p.m. Visitation continued at the church one hour prior to mass.

Burial will be held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Lawler at a later date.

Online condolences may be left at www.conway-markham-fh.com.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Elaine Marie Collins was born on Aug. 13, 1927, to James and Viola (Halbur) Collins in New Hampton.

Elaine attended school in Protivin and graduated from Rudolphinum High School in 1945. She then attended Upper Iowa University in Fayette, receiving her teaching certificate in 1946. Elaine taught country school near Protivin for one year.

She was united in marriage to William Costigan at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in New Hampton on June 11, 1947. The couple made their home in Lawler and later Elaine moved to New Hampton.

Elaine was employed at State Bank of Lawler for 25 years, retiring in 1994.

She enjoyed playing cards, dancing, fishing and camping



Elaine Costigan

adventures, mowing lawn and she enjoyed her grandchildren and great grandchildren immensely. She was a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Catholic Daughters of America and Lawler Legion Auxillary.

Those left to cherish Elaine's memory are her son, Terry (Carol) Costigan of St. Lucas, her grandchildren, Curtis Costigan of Phoenix, Heather (Jeff) Rapp of Boonville, Missouri, Jennifer (Otis) Brown of New York, Rachel (Mike) Bushey of Paloi, Pennsylvania, Catlin Costigan of Muscatine, Jessica (Josh) Erlandson of Elsworth, Wisconsin, and Mandy Mandson of Elsworth, Wisconsin; 14 great-grandchildren; her sister, Mary Jean Martin of New Hampton; sister-in-law, Lorraine Collins of New Hampton; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, William on May 10, 1990; daughter, Joellen Mandson; son, Tim Costigan; brother, Walter Collins; and sister, Anna Mae Roethler.

The family of Dan Speicher would like to express our thanks and gratitude to the neighbors, friends and family who supported us with cards, memorials, flowers, food and other supplies.

We would like to give a special thank you to all of those who helped us finish harvesting our crops and helped with our cattle and helping on the farm.

We also want to give a very special thanks to Father Brian Dellaert at Holy Family Parish; Andy Hugeback and all the staff at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home; pallbearers and honorary pallbearers.

We would also like to thank all the staff at Sumner Community Memorial Hospital and Dr. Luke Brinkman.

The thoughtfulness and kindness of our friends, family and community will always be remembered.

Carol Speicher, Jessica Speicher and Christina Speicher & Family

Faythe Elizabeth Drewelow, 79

Faythe Elizabeth Drewelow, age 79 of New Hampton, died peacefully, surrounded by her family, on Monday, Nov. 29, 2021, at Linn Haven Rehab and Healthcare.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Hampton with the Rev. Kevin Frey presiding. Interment will follow at the Boyd Cemetery with Bri Zabel, Morgan Zabel, Alex Burke, Hayley Hugeback, Logan Burke, Nic Zabel and Michael Drewelow serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service on Saturday at the church.

Faythe was born on March 7, 1942, to Richard and Geneva (Lovgren) Bohmbach in Red Wing, Minnesota, and her family lived in Red Wing and Amery, Wisconsin, before moving to Fredericksburg.

She attended Fredericksburg High School, where she played basketball, marched with the band and helped her parents after school in the cafe they owned before graduating with the Class of 1960. During Dairy Days one year, she met Harvey Drewelow, who saw Faythe walk by and told his buddies “that’s quite a gal.” A few hours later, they were dancing together and the spark for a lifelong love affair had been lit.

The couple was married on Aug. 21, 1960, and the family grew to include four children — Lori, Lennie, Dawn and Bill. The Drewelow kids had a mother who loved them and all of God’s creatures, enjoyed outdoor activities, golfing and bowling and tended the most beautiful flower gardens. Faythe was always there for her children — attending their activities and sporting events, cooking great meals and baking the best treats.



Faythe Drewelow

The Drewelows lived on a farm near Boyd, and the welcome mat at their home read “dogs welcome; people tolerated,” but that was only half true because Faythe had many friends and loved socializing throughout her life.

She and Harvey belonged to a neighborhood card club, and Faythe also loved her “girls card club,” where she, like her friends, enjoyed great camaraderie but always played and loved to win!

Faythe worked for Bisel’s Four Seasons Clothing for several years in the 1980s, and after the store closed, she worked at Duffy’s clothing Store in Charles City in the late 1980s and early 1990s, and she loved putting on modeling shows during that time frame. She also was hired to perform as “Mother of the Bride” during a Tide laundry detergent commercial that was shot at the Boyd Lutheran Church and aired nationally.

She was a wonderfully supportive grandmother to her seven grandchildren. Faythe and Harvey rarely missed any of their events or games; in fact, they traveled throughout the country to watch them compete in various AAU tournaments.

Then again, the couple loved to travel. Faythe and Harvey were always up for an adventure, and some of their favorite

trips included journeys to the Panama Canal, Virgin Islands, Alaska and Hawaii.

As much as she loved to get away, her family and her pets always had her heart. Her heart was filled with joy in 2020 when her first great-grandchild — Mila — was born.

In addition to her card clubs, Faythe was also an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, where she was a member of her circle, participated in various Bible studies, sang in the choir and also played in the bell choir.

She lived a long and remarkable life. Like we said, she loved all God’s creatures, and as one of her granddaughters so succinctly put it, “every animal in Heaven is officially spoiled” now that Faythe is there. She leaves a beautiful family — her husband of 61 years, four great kids, seven beautiful grandchildren and one treasured great-granddaughter — but they are comforted by the fact that Faythe’s faith tells them she is in a much better place and that they will get to see that beautiful smile again one day.

Faythe is survived by her husband, Harvey Drewelow of New Hampton; two sons, Lennie (Melissa) Drewelow of New Hampton, and Bill (Terri) Drewelow of Fredericksburg; two daughters, Lori (Russ) Zabel of Northfield, Minnesota, and Dawn (Chris) Cain of New Hampton; seven grandchildren; Bri Zabel, Morgan Zabel, Alex Burke, Hayley (Andy) Hugeback, Logan Burke, Nic Zabel and Michael Drewelow; one great-granddaughter, Mila Hugeback; two sisters, Charmone Fisher of Zimmerman, Minnesota, and Nancy (Rick) Taylor of Osseo, Minnesota; many nieces and nephews; and three grand-puppies, Molly, Rocky and Peanut.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Catherine in infancy; one brother, Ronald Bohmbach; and one brother-in-law, Don Fisher.

Madonna Mary Laures, 79

Madonna Mary Laures, age 79 of New Hampton, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2021, at her home surrounded by family.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2021, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton, with the Rev. Brian Dellaert celebrating the Mass. Interment will follow at St. Mary’s Cemetery in New Hampton with Leandra Laures, Isabella Laures, Logan Laures, Keaton Laures, Maryn Laures, Piper Laures, and Christian Campbell serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 6, 2021, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there was a 6:45 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Tuesday at the church.

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

Madonna was born on March 2, 1942, to Amos and Hilda (Schluetter) Burgart in North Washington, and she grew up on a farm with her two older brothers and one older sister. She received her education and was a member of the Class of 1960 at North Washington’s Catholic School, St. Mary’s.

In her younger days, Madonna liked to bowl in the winter and was a hard-hitting shortstop for the North Washington Jets in the summer. She loved telling stories of playing the game she loved and helping her team advance to a state tournament.

Madonna married Russell Laures and the couple had three sons — Timothy, who died in infancy, Lynn and Brad — before divorcing. There’s no question, though, that her boys had a marvelous mother. Madonna taught them the value of hard work and the need to have a great sense of



Madonna Laures

humor. She was a great cook and a superstar baker, whose pies, cakes, and cookies were legendary.

In the late 1980s, she took a job as a cook for New Hampton Community Schools — working first at the elementary school before transferring out to the high school — and over her 30-year career, she touched countless lives. She loved her “kids” at school, and they in turn loved her right back. She had that ability to reach every kid that went through her lunch line, and when she retired in 2020, lunchtime wasn’t quite the same at school.

Madonna was a member of Holy Family Parish and the VFW Auxiliary in Alta Vista. She was also a member of several card clubs and later in life, she loved going on “adventures” with her group of friends, or as she called them, “the girls.” She also loved to go to her daughter-in-law’s house and make strawberry rhubarb pies in the spring and apple pies and apple bars in the fall. The baked goods were amazingly scrumptious but the laughs in that kitchen were even better.

Madonna always put her family first. She loved her sons and adored her six grandchildren, all of whom have their “favorite Grandma stories.” They range from baking together, laugh-

ing together, to going shopping together, to the candy bowl that was always at her house, the candy that she brought out of her purse when she was away from home, as well as when they left their grandmother’s house, Madonna was always on the porch waving goodbye to them until they rounded the corner. They will also tell you that their grandmother had the best “eye roll” and could make them laugh at a moment’s notice.

In so many ways, Madonna lived an extraordinary life, and even when life tossed proverbial lemons at her, she turned it into the sweetest, most loving lemonade. She was an exceptional caregiver; when you were sick, she took the best care of you. Material things meant nothing to her, yet she was the type of person who always came up with the perfect gift for her grandchildren. Her grandchildren, as well as their dogs, would describe her as “the best babysitter ever.”

Madonna was diagnosed with cancer on Oct. 11 of this year, but she didn’t feel sorry for herself; instead, in her short, valiant fight, she touched the lives of the doctors and nurses who cared for her. And she continued to love and laugh right to the end.

She will be dearly missed, but those “Madonna memories” will last a lifetime for those she has left behind.

Madonna is survived by two sons, Lynn Laures of Kasson, Minnesota, and Bradley (Terri) Laures of Denver; six grandchildren, Leandra (Christian Campbell) Laures, Isabella Laures, Logan Laures, Keaton Laures, Maryn Laures and Piper Laures; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son in infancy, Timothy Laures; two brothers, Gerald (Rita) Burgart, Bob Burgart; one sister, Darlene (Jack) McGowan.

Mark Leo Gruenberg, 66

Mark Leo Gruenberg, age 66 of New Hampton and formerly of Fredericksburg, passed away at his home on Dec. 3, 2021.

Private burial will be at a later date at Rose Hill Cemetery in Fredericksburg.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton has been entrusted with services.

Online condolences for Mark’s family may be left at hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Mark was born on May 15, 1955, to Leo and Betty (Churchill) Gruenberg in New Hampton, Iowa.

He graduated from Fredericksburg High

School in 1974. Following graduation, he worked for Moldenhauer Oil Company for many years and various other jobs before retirement because of health issues.

Mark enjoyed watching stock car racing and caring for his dog.

Mark is survived by his mother, Betty Gruenberg of Fredericksburg; three brothers, Dan Gruenberg of Thornton, Colorado, David Gruenberg of Clear Lake, and Curt (Kathy) Gruenberg of Fredericksburg; and by nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Leo Gruenberg in 2014.

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Eric James Njus, 35



Eric Njus

Eric James Njus, age 35 of Lawler, passed away peacefully at UnityPoint Health-St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids, surrounded by loved ones on Monday, Nov. 29, 2021.

Friends greeted the family from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, 2021, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton, where there was a 6 p.m. funeral service following the visitation.

Online condolences for Eric's family may be left at hugeback-funeralhome.com.

Eric was born June 25, 1986, at St. Joseph's Hospital in New Hampton. From a young age, Eric had a knack for hard work and helping others. Whether it was volunteering to work in the fields or competing in pedal tractor pulls--he was always willing to help or take on a new challenge. Eric's childhood traits soon made him into the kind and caring man that so many came to love.

Eric graduated from Turkey Valley Community School in 2005 and went on to attend Northeast Iowa Community College and earned a degree in Carpentry.

He quickly discovered a passion for intricate woodworking and began his 15-year career at Gossling Woodworking -- honing his craft and becoming a skilled Cabinet Maker. Eric always had an abundance of patience and high attention to detail, which made this a perfect fit for him. While working as a Cabinet Maker, Eric also maintained his work on the family farm. He especially loved the fieldwork and helping his loved ones.

In July 2016, Eric met his wife, Samantha. She was living in Wisconsin at the time, so they developed their connection through messages and phone calls. Eric protected the budding relationship by sneak-

ing off to his shop to talk with Samantha whenever he could, and she soon became the most important person in his life. In February 2017, Eric asked Samantha to move to Lawler and share in the house he had been building.

They completed the house together and transformed it into a home--surrounding it with the things they grew to enjoy together: collectible model cars, pedal tractors, model tractors, and classic cars. Eric knew that Samantha was the person he wanted to spend his life with, and they were married on April 6, 2019.

The home they shared is a testament to Eric's hard work and perseverance; from the handcrafted cabinetry and woodwork to the vegetable garden he lovingly tended, and the parade of car parts that he was constantly working on. He always had a project, but yet always made time to help others.

Eric was the type of person to call his friends and family when he was making a run to the store to be sure he could pick up what others needed while he was there. Despite having many (many) car projects of his own, he was the type of

person to drop everything to help someone replace their tires -- never charging anything beyond the cost of the tire. Eric was fiercely loyal, someone you could always depend on, and constantly helping others without any need for recognition or credit.

With Eric's instinctively caring nature, it was no surprise that he would make a wonderful father. In October of 2020, Eric and Samantha welcomed the absolute sunshine of Eric's life, Elizabeth Ann, into their family. He was nervous at first, but Elizabeth quickly wrapped her dad right around her little finger.

He soon became confident enough to declare himself the "Baby Whisperer" due to his ability to get Elizabeth to sleep after picking her up from daycare. His favorite time of day was just before they would put Elizabeth to bed, and he got his daddy-daughter snuggle time on the couch. Eric loved being a husband and father and would have done anything for his girls.

Eric is survived by his loving wife, Samantha Jo; his daughter and little sunshine, Elizabeth Ann; and his four-legged companion, Jackson; Dawn Njus (Greg Thies) of New Hampton; Deb (Nick) Njus-Heckman of Lawler, Dennis (Connie) Njus of New Hampton, David Njus (Lisa Myers) of Lawler, and Chris Thies of Johnston; in-laws, Charlie (Sheryl) Finger and Zach Finger (Stacy Brumfield) of Kasson, Minnesota, Isaiah (Josie) Finger of West Concord, Minnesota, Brandon Finger (Maegan Rogers) of West Concord, Minnesota; and many cherished cousins and friends.

Preceded in death by his parents Lyle and Bernette Njus; grandparents-in-law Kenneth and June Vangness and Richard and Anna Finger.

News Bits From Our Past

Week of Dec. 5 1946 (75 years ago)
• Henry F. and John Hauth of Hawkeye have purchased the McGrane Prescription Service from Pat McGrane. Possession was given to the new owners on Dec. 1.

The new owners have been raised in this line of business. The Hauth brothers have operated the Hauth Drug Store in Hawkeye for 35 years. Each of the brothers have a son, Henry F. (Hank) and John. The business here will be known as the Hauth Drug Store.

• The "Chicks" won their first Northeast Iowa Conference basketball game when they edged past Osage 30-22. The game was played at Osage. In the first half New Hampton was as cold as a January blizzard, they only made two field goals, two long shots by Don Riley.

The Chicks began to hit with a little more regularity, the defense play picked up the second half and they held a 23-17 lead at the end of the third quarter. Bill Dowd led the Chicks in scoring with 8 points.

1971 (50 years ago)
• The official "Santa Mailbox" has been installed in New Hampton last week by Berry Quisano and Bob Jenkins, members of the New Hampton Jaycees.

The mailbox is located at the Municipal Parking Lot, across from the City Clerk's Office on South Locust Avenue and youngsters may mail their letter in the box without postage. The mailbox is provided by the Jaycees and is installed each year by members of the organization.

• A sight which was noted by New Hampton observers as a rarity last week was the shipping of cattle to New Hampton by train.

Over 50 head of Herefords

were brought here by train for the Arnold Cattle Co., which has an operation north of New Hampton.

The cattle were unloaded in New Hampton and placed on trucks to be taken to the Arnold Cattle Co. location. The cattle were on double deck cars and workmen unloaded the Herefords.

1996 (25 years ago)
• A unique little north end business has changed hands after 48 years. The Log Cabin, a cafe owned and operated by Ramona Burgart since its establishment in 1948, has been purchased by Lesa Wendt of New Hampton and will be managed by her sister, Lorna Hyde.

Ramona had accompanied her sister Rosella Bach to Los Angeles, CA during World War II, where Rosella's husband, Al was stationed. After the war they returned to New Hampton. Her brother-in-law, Al Bach constructed the building on N. Linn (Hwy 63). Ramona's first meal served was the wedding breakfast of her niece, DeLores Denner

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
State of Iowa, City of New Hampton
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of New Hampton, Iowa (City), will hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance changing precinct boundaries
Date: December 20, 2021
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Council Chambers, 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton, IA 50659
A copy of the amendment is on file for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.
At said hearing any interested person may file written comments or make oral objections or comments with respect to the subject matters of the hearing.
Karen Clemens, City Clerk

Legal Notice

No. 21547
12/07/21

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MERGER
Notice is hereby given that Security State Bank, Sutherland, Iowa has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for its written consent to merge with Farmers Savings Bank, Frederika, Iowa. It is contemplated that all offices of the above-named institutions will continue to be operated.
Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office located at 1100 Walnut, Suite 2100, Kansas City, Missouri 64106 not later than December 13, 2021. The non-confidential portions of the application are on file in the regional office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

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Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, ON THE 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2021 at a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcel 2021-45 in the nw1/4 of THE SW1/4 AND the NE1/4 OF THE SW1/4 OF section 32, Township 94 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa was presented. WHEREAS, the minor subdivision plat of Parcel 2021-45 in the nw1/4 of THE SW1/4 AND the NE1/4 OF THE SW1/4 OF section 32, Township 94 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has now been considered and should be approved. NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa that said Minor Subdivision Plat be approved, accepted and the Chairman is hereby directed to certify this Resolution of Approval. PASSED AND APPROVED on this 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2021. /ss/ Richard Holthaus, Chairperson to the Board of Supervisors ATTEST: /ss/ Stephanie Mashek, Auditor

Motion by Kuhn, Second by Hackman to approve the agenda for November 15th, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Zoll, Second by Byrne to approve the minutes from November 8th, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to approve the minutes from November 9th, 2021. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

9:05 AM No Public Comment.
Ray Armel present at 9:05 AM.
9:06 AM Ray Armel discussed the minor subdivision for Richard Grandy Estate.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to approve Resolution 11-15-21-63 for the Minor Subdivision for Richard Grandy Estate. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Kuhn, Byrne, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried. RESOLUTION 11-15-21-63 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcel 2021-45 in the nw1/4 of THE SW1/4 AND the NE1/4 OF THE SW1/4 OF section 32, Township 94 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M.,

Wendell and Delane Mueller left at 9:52 AM.
Ryan Shawver and Martin Hemann present at 10:00 AM.

10:00 AM- Sheriff Marty Hemann and Deputy Ryan Shawver discussed the concerns at Inspiring Lives with CSS CEO Mary McConnell.

Hemann left at 10:47 AM.
Mary McConnell, County Social Service CEO, provided a County Social Service Update.

Shawver left at 11:00 AM.
McConnell left at 11:04 AM.
Lynn Schwickerath and Bob Ayres present at 11:04 AM.

Bernatz left at 11:05 AM.
11:05 AM Schwickerath and Ayres discussed 28E Agreement with Chickasaw County Council on Aging.

Dave Gorman present at 11:27 AM.
Schwickerath and Ayres left at 11:30 AM.

11:30 AM Dave Gorman provided a department update. Discussed the removal and placement of the softener that was replaced.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Zoll to move the uninstalled courthouse softener and install it at the Public Health building. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Zoll, Kuhn, Byrne, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Discussed the washer and dryer at the Law Enforcement Building. Consensus of the board is to obtain quotes for one commercial washer and dryer for the Law Enforcement Building.

Gorman left at 11:45 AM.
Discussed the Chickasaw County Ambulance Council 28E Agreement. It

was the consensus of the Board of Supervisors, per the recommendation of Gardiner + Company, to have County Attorney Laudner draft an addendum.

Motion by Hackman, Second by Kuhn to approve the canvass of the City/School Election held on November 2nd, 2021 controlling county for the New Hampton, Nashua-Plainfield, and Turkey Valley School districts and authorize the Auditor to clarify the results to the State and record in the permanent election register. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Kuhn, Byrne, Zoll, and Holthaus. Motion Carried.

Chairperson recessed at 12:08 PM.
The board reconvened at 12:22 PM with all members present Byrne, Holthaus, Hackman, Zoll, and Kuhn in the Boardroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Holthaus. Also present was Auditor Stephanie Mashek.

Committee Assignment Updates:
Zoll attended a FMC Landfill Board meeting on November 11th, 2021

Budget Work Session
Motion by Kuhn, Second by Hackman to adjourn at 1:31 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Richard Holthaus, Chairperson, Board of Supervisor
ATTEST: Stephanie Mashek, Secretary of the Board

No. 21553
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Turkey Valley Area Calendar of Events

2021

December



Thursday, December 2
4:15pm Basketball: Girls 7th/8th vs. Clayton Ridge
4:15pm Wrestling: MS Meet @ North Fayette Valley HS
6:15pm Wrestling: HS Dual @ Decorah HS
Friday, December 3
4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. Clayton Ridge
4:15pm Basketball: Girls 7th/8th vs. New Hampton @ New Hampton
4:30pm Wrestling: HS Tournament @ Independence HS
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Clayton Ridge
Saturday, December 4
10:00am Wrestling: HS Tournament @ Independence HS
Monday, December 6
6:30pm FFA Greenhand Ceremony
Tuesday, December 7
4:00pm Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs. North Fayette Valley
4:15pm Wrestling: MS Meet @ New Hampton

6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Girls/Boys vs. North Fayette Valley
Thursday, December 9
4:15pm Basketball: Girls 7th/8th vs. Central
4:15pm Wrestling: MS Meet @ Decorah HS
6:15pm Wrestling: HS Dual @ New Hampton
6:15pm Wrestling: HS Dual @ Decorah HS
Friday, December 10
1:30pm Elementary Seasonal Program (K-6)
4:00pm Basketball: JV Girls/Boys @ Kee
4:15pm Wrestling: MS Meet @ New Hampton
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Girls/Boys @ Kee
Saturday, December 11
9:00am Wrestling: HS Meet @ New Hampton
10:00am Wrestling: HS Tournament @ South Winneshiek HS
Monday, December 13
5:00pm Wrestling: HS Tournament @ West Delaware HS
7:00pm 7-12 Winter Band and Vocal

Concert
7:00pm School Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 14
4:00pm Basketball: JV Girls/Boys vs. Central Elkader IA
4:15pm Basketball: Girls 7th/8th vs. Riceville @ Riceville Community HS
4:15pm Wrestling: MS Meet @ New Hampton
6:00pm Wrestling: HS Game @ Maquoketa Valley
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Girls/Boys vs. Central Elkader IA
Thursday, December 16
6:15pm Wrestling: HS Dual @ New Hampton
Friday, December 17
9:00am Wrestling: HS Tournament @ Young Arena Battle of Waterloo
4:00pm Basketball: JV Girls/Boys vs. West Central
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Girls/Boys vs. West Central
7:00pm Parent's Night
Saturday, December 18
9:00am Wrestling: HS Tournament @

Young Arena Waterloo
7:00pm Basketball: Varsity Girls vs. Osage @ Luther College
Tuesday, December 21
4:00pm Basketball: JV Girls/Boys @ South Winneshiek HS
6:15pm Basketball: Varsity Girls/Boys @ South Winn HS
Wednesday, December 22
2:15 Dismissal - End 2nd Qtr/1st Sem.
Thursday, December 23
NO SCHOOL
Friday, December 24
NO SCHOOL
Saturday, December 25
Christmas Day
Monday, December 27
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Tuesday, December 28
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Wednesday, December 29
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Friday, December 31
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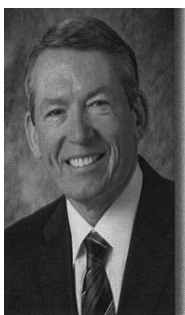
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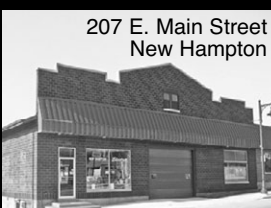
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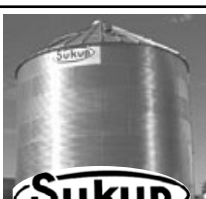
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The nutritional label (above) for a new jam touts New Hampton’s FFA chapter after members (below) harvested a large crop of grapes this past summer.

FFA to sell its jam at chamber event

FFA: FROM 1

then destemmed and deseeded by FFA members and sent off to Conrad.

Now if you bring up one of those “de” words to a FFA member, you’re probably going to get a dirty look or two.

“The destemming wasn’t exactly fun, but deseeded is kind of dirty word to most of us,” said chapter member Gracie Reicks. “That was a lot of work, trying to come up with a process that didn’t make you want to scream.”

Her FFA advisor, Jim Russ, couldn’t help but laugh at his student.

“Yeah, she’s right, though,” he said. “We tried forks, spoons and finally figured out food processors were the way to go. And trust me, that wasn’t exactly a piece of cake.”

But then Russ brought out a jar to allow the reporter to taste test the jam. The



reporter’s conclusion? That work was really worth it.

“It is good, isn’t it? I think people are going to like it,” FFA members Kandace Eggerichs said.

So does the reporter.

And here’s the crazy part: The vineyard is just getting started.

The FFA hauled in a record 800 pounds of grapes this year, but in a few short years, Russ expects it to produce 6,000 pounds annually.

In previous years, the FFA has sold its grapes at Farmers Markets, but Russ said

as the crop became more bountiful, he knew the chapter had to find other ways to use the grapes.

His FFA members took a field trip to Conrad to explore Clear Creek Orchard and the options it offered and made the decision that jam was the way to go.

FFA member have been “pre-selling” jars, and the FFA will sell them for \$8 a jar at Schueth Ace Hardware during Thursday’s Warm-Up the Holidays event.

Those who want to order jars can do so by emailing Russ at j_russ@new-hampton.k12.ia.us.

Photos courtesy of Jim Russ

Briefs

‘Long week’ produces another 71 positive COVID tests

Chickasaw County reported 71 new positive COVID tests last week, the most in the county since Public Health and Homecare Services went to a weekly reporting system in March.

But this record needs an asterisk as Public Health Administrator Lisa Welter’s weekly report released on Friday actually covered nine days because she released her previous report on Wednesday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

The new cases included 7 in the age range of 0 to 17, 22 in the age range 18 to 40, 26 in the age range 41 to 60, 12 in the age range from 61 to 80 and four in residents older than 80.

Welter said that 31 of the new positive tests came in residents who were fully vaccinated, and four of those had received a boost vaccine.

Meanwhile, MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center officials announced last week that it’s children’s vaccination clinic for this Wednesday is full and there are just several openings for its Dec. 15 clinic.

Mobile Food Bank to distribute Dec. 16

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will make its monthly stop in New Hampton on Thursday, Dec. 16.

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New Hampton's Carter Steinlage (above) drives past two Mason City players while teammate Tyler Wiltse (below) goes up for a shot and is fouled during Thursday's non-conference game.

Chickasaws face late in loss to Mohawks

New Hampton boys shows their mettle but falls in home opener

By Bob Fenske
editor@nhtrib.com

The scoreboard says it was a 14-point loss for New Hampton, proving that sometimes scoreboards are liars.

"I think we showed people what we're capable of, especially if we don't turn the ball over," said New Hampton coach Ryan Rausch after his team dropped to 0-2 with a 70-56 loss to Mason City.

"We showed that athletically — with our length and our speed — that we can compete with a lot of teams. ... If we play like that against a 4A team like Mason City, I think it shows our potential."

The Chickasaws dug themselves an early hole Thursday night as Mason City built a 10-point lead, 33-23, midway through the second quarter. But Drake Wemark's old-fashioned three-point play started a 10-4 run to close the half and give New Hampton plenty of momentum heading into halftime.

"I like the way we battled. We didn't throw in the towel that's for sure," Rausch said. "Granted, the problem with getting behind like that is people don't understand that you exert so much to get back into the game, it makes it tough."

The Chickasaws didn't squander that momentum at the start of the second half, and Wemark's inside basket with 2:23 left in the third quarter gave New Hampton a 44-43 lead.

It would be the Chickasaws' only advantage of the night, but New Hampton remained in striking distance for much of the fourth quarter.

After the Mohawks built a seven-point lead, 53-46, with five minutes to go in the final frame, New Hampton wouldn't go away quietly as Wemark banked in a pair of shots and



Carter Steinlage, who had a game high 23 points, worked his way to an inside basket to cut the deficit to 54-52 with 3:18 left.

That was as close as the Chickasaws would get as Mason City closed the game with a 16-4 run.

"I think in the end, our inexperience, especially in the guard court, showed a little at the end," Rausch said. "We had some turnovers there that, yeah, were costly, but at the same time, anyone who thinks that was a 14-point easy win for Mason City obviously wasn't at the game."

In addition to his 23 points, Steinlage had seven rebounds and four steals while Wemark finished the night with 19 points, seven rebounds, five assists and three steals.

New Hampton shot the ball well, at least from two-point range. The Chickasaws hit 23 of 45 shots (51.1 percent) and

inside the 3-point line, they shot the ball at an almost 60 percent clip. But they were just 1-for-8 from 3-point range.

"We've struggled with our outside shooting," Rausch said, "and until we get some of those shots to fall, we have to attack the rim and we did a heck of a job with that against Mason City."

MASON CITY 70, NEW HAMPTON 56
MC 21 16 9 24 - 70
NH 15 18 11 12 - 56

NEW HAMPTON STATS
Drake Wemark 9-14 1-4 19, Gannon Shekleton 1-4 0-0 2, Mason Lane 3-6 0-0 6, Carter Steinlage 8-17 6-9 23, Cael Laures 2-3 0-0 4, Tyler Wiltse 0-0 2-2 2, Nick Brincks 0-0 0-0 0, Logan Peterman 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-45 9-15 56.

3-point field goals - Steinlage 1-4, Wemark 0-3, Lane 0-1.

Rebounds - Wemark 7, Steinlage 7, Lane 5, Laures 4, Peterman 2, Wiltse 1.

Assists - Wemark 5, Wiltse 3, Lane 2, Steinlage 2, Laures 1.

Steals - Steinlage 4, Wemark 3, Blocks - Laures 2.

Chickasaw girls give coach first win

Rochford, Ries and Jackson reach double figures at Border Battle

By Kelly Terpstra
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Energy and an enthusiastic effort.

It all added up to one thing out on the court for the New Hampton Chickasaw girls basketball team this weekend - the first win of the season.

Dave Leichtman's Chickasaws ran past Spring Grove in the Border Battle up in Decorah on Saturday by a score of 59-38. It was a satisfying win for New Hampton, which had come up short in its first two tries to enter the win column against Riceville and Turkey Valley to start the 2021-2022 season.

The Chickasaws played the second game of the tournament at Luther College that featured a whole host of teams from northern Iowa and Minnesota.

The New Hampton boys, meanwhile, fell to Spring Grove 44-41. The Chickasaws led 19-13 at half, but Spring Grove used a 19-6 third quarter to take the lead, one it would never relinquish, but further details of the boys game were not available at press time.



Leichtman

The Chickasaw girls were able to win this non-conference tussle because of its defense. The Chickasaws recorded 15 steals - three apiece by senior Emily Jackson, junior Kandice Eggerichs and freshman Taylor Ries.

"You could tell the kids were fighting hard from the beginning. You could tell right out of the gates this was something they wanted really bad," said Leichtman.

Part of that defensive effort included 36 rebounds - eight by Jackson and six each by junior Carlee Rochford, sophomore Molly Wegner and Ries. The Chickasaws also ripped down 12 offensive rebounds on the glass on the other end.

"Offensively, we started to find ourselves in transition, especially in the second half," said Leichtman. "The kids bought in the whole game."

Rochford, who currently leads Class 3A in scoring with a just over 29 points of scoring per night, once again led the Chickasaws with 26 points on 11-16 shooting from the field. She also sank NH's lone 3-pointer and dished out four assists.

"Carlee led the tempo of the game," said Leichtman.

Jackson had a great all-around game at her guard position. She was 3-4 from the floor with those eight rebounds, three

steals and three assists. Jackson also stayed out of foul trouble as she was whistled for just one infraction. She had fouled out of each of her first two games this winter.

"I think she put together a complete game. That's a senior-led performance," said Leichtman.

Ries pumped in a career high 11 points. She missed just one shot attempt in seven tries from the floor.

NH (1-2) begins Northeast Iowa Conference play on Friday against Waverly-Shell Rock in the home opener. Then it's off to travel to Kee High for another road matchup on Saturday.

NEW HAMPTON 59, SPRING GROVE 38

SG 6 16 9 7 - 38
NH 9 19 13 18 - 59

Emily Jackson 3-4 5-11 11, Carlee Rochford 11-16 3-5 26, Kandice Eggerichs 2-4 1-2 5, Molly Wegner 1-4 1-2 3, Gracie Reicks 0-4 0-0 0, Kirsten Reicherts 0-0 0-1 0, Elaina Rosonke 0-1 0-0 0, Claire Geerts 1-1 0-0 2, Megan Pickar 0-0 0-0 0, Taylor Ries 6-7 0-1 12. Totals - 24-41 10-22 59.

3-point goals - Rochford 1-3, Eggerichs 0-1, Wegner 0-1.

Rebounds - Jackson 8, Rochford 6, Wegner 6, Ries 6, Eggerichs 5, Reicks 3, Rosonke 2.

Assists - Rochford 4, Jackson 3, Eggerichs 2, Wegner 2, Reicks 1, Pickar 1, Ries 1.

Steals - Jackson 3, Eggerichs 3, Ries 3, Rochford 2, Wegner 2, Reicks 2.

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THURSDAY

New Hampton/Turkey Valley wrestling at Decorah, JV at 6 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

New Hampton freshman boys basketball vs. Decorah, 6 p.m.

New Hampton boys basketball at South Winneshiek, JV at 6:15 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton basketball vs. Waverly-Shell Rock, JV girls at 4:15 p.m., JV boys at 5:30 p.m., girls varsity at 6:45 p.m., boys varsity at 8 p.m.

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Here22U	28-26
Quigley's	27-27
Butch's	26-28
Bradford House	26-28
Josie's 1	30-33
Locker Room	29-34
VFW	18-45

RESULTS

Josie's 1 6, Locker Room 3
Brite Spot 7, VFW 2
Quigley's 5, Here22U 4
Bradford House 7, Butch's 2
The Pub 7, Josie's 2 2
Bye: Hide-A-Way

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Trojans take pair in an electric gym

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would last well into the third quarter.

A Rochford conventional 3-pointer would start the New Hampton scoring after intermission and teammate Gracie Reicks would follow with a steal and a basket on the way to a 12-0 third-quarter run.

“That was the kind of quarter we wanted to play,” Leichtman said. “We had steals, some blocks and made shots, I think we played our best basketball of the season in that quarter. I think it was a change of pace and a little bit of ‘bought in.’ We knew what we wanted to do.”

The first TV points in the quarter came on a basket by Jacqlyn Schmitt with 4:30 remaining and the Trojans were down 38-30 with the bucket. Turkey Valley cut the deficit to four, but at the start of the fourth quarter was down by 10 again, 44-34.

“[New Hampton] went to zone and Carlee got some uncontested layups,” said Nymeyer. “We didn’t do a good job defensively, some of the shots we didn’t block out well.”

The start of the fourth was Turkey Valley’s turn for a run — including a 10-0 run which took one minute. Consecutive conventional 3-pointers by Schmitt and a steal and basket — this time by the Turkey Valley Reicks — along with a pair of Hoffer free throws tied the game at 44 at the seven-minute mark and the Trojans completed their 14-0 run with baskets by Blazek and Schmitt.

“It was great to see the girls stick with it and keep the momentum when things got in our favor,” Nymeyer said. “Scrappy defense and Jacqlyn led the comeback charge in the beginning of the fourth and put us right back in the game.”

When Ries made a pair of free throws the Chickasaws broke the seal on the basket. New Hampton went up by two on a basket by Kirsten Reicherts, Rochford scored on a long 3-pointer and things looked promising for the Chickasaws, but the momentum swung right back as Kara Reicks knocked a long one down on the other end. With one minute left TV was up by two and Blazek and Reicks combined to go 4-6 at the free throw line in the final minute.

While it didn’t put a W up for the Chickasaws, Leichtman pointed out the small wins. “We want to score 50 points a game and we did that, we had four blocks and our goal is two a night, we want to have less than 15 turnovers and we

had nine against Turkey Valley even though they full-courtied us all night. We want our free throw percentage above 50 percent and it was 61 percent and we want to have 10-plus steals and we had 13 against Turkey Valley.”

One stat that wasn’t good came as three Chickasaws fouled out and another two had four fouls. “We knew we’d have our hands full, TV comes to play and they’re well-coached. Our kids at times weren’t quite ready for that speed to make transitions and obviously there’s a change in pace when you’re playing with four fouls, it makes it tough on a young squad.”

Freshman Taylor Ries came off the bench and took down a team-high six rebounds, while Rochford blocked three shots. Gracie Reicks had four rebounds, three assists and steals. Turkey Valley’s Blazek added seven rebounds and four assists; Kara Reicks turned in nine points and four assists.

“I think we’re going to be battling in a lot of games this season,” said Nymeyer. “But for a first game I think we handled it really well.” The coach was concerned about rebounding in the preseason, given the tallest starter is Schmitt at 5-8. “We’ve got some girls that are getting better at rebounding, but they all have to dig deep and go with heart and desire rather than just positioning.”

BOTH VETERAN COACH

Ryan Rausch of New Hampton and rookie head coach John Izer of Turkey Valley were happy with the play of their teams after each team opened their season. But a slow start by the Chickasaws cost them as they were stuck on two points most of the first quarter; by the start of the second the Trojans were up 14-7.

“It’s always fun coming over here,” Rausch said. “We did what we intended to do, we got to the rim but we didn’t make layups. We missed too many close shots. It’s frustrating to get good looks and not score off them. And the thing is, we wanted to pressure them early, but you don’t make your shots, you can’t pressure off a miss.”

Still, Drake Wemark led all scorers with 28 points and Carter Steinlage added 13. “Drake’s probably one of the best high school basketball players you’ll see, he’s out there with 28 points probably wondering why he didn’t get 40.”

Turkey Valley countered with 23 points by Garrett Kurtenbach and 12 by Calvin Bodensteiner.

After one goal in the first



Turkey Valley’s Jacqlyn Schmitt (above) scores a basket despite being double-teamed by New Hampton’s Gracie Reicks and Kandice Eggerichs while the Chickasaws’ Mason Lane (below) challenges a shot by Turkey Valley’s Chase Hayek.



quarter, Kurtenbach stepped up and hit three consecutive 3-pointers in the second quarter to put the Trojans up 23-9, but by the half it was a nine-point game with the Trojans up 30-21.

“We knew they would jab back, hard,” said Izer. “They’re full of pride over there. We know

teams are going to pressure Garrett immensely and we’re going to have to spread it out and we did that nicely tonight.”

A 10-0 New Hampton run in the third quarter included three baskets by Wemark, a block by Mason Lane and a basket by Steinlage and with 3:21 left in the stanza the Chickasaw boys were within two, 35-33. A full-court pass from Wemark to Steinlage ended the third-quarter scoring with the NH boys up by two, 40-38.

But just like in the girls game, Turkey Valley fought back with a 9-0 run, with a Bodensteiner 3 on one end and one by Carson Busta on the other end. A Wemark basket and the score was 53-51, Turkey Valley, with two minutes remaining, but shortly after Kurtenbach went to the line, where he would make the first two of his seven free throw points in the final minute.

“I’m ecstatic,” said Izer after the game. “But I’m glad it’s over with. The gym was loud and it was getting hard for the players to hear me, but it was a great win, the guys fought hard.”

Wemark started the season off well with a double-double, bringing down 10 rebounds to go with his 28 points, adding five assists and four steals. Cael Laures was a starter as a sophomore and brought down nine boards and Mason Lane had four assists and three blocks.

Both coaches said they had incredibly high expectations for

their teams this season.

“We’ll get back on the horse,” Rausch said. “We’re not going to make too much of one game. We had some guys playing for the first time — that’s no excuse, they’re in there because we expect them to do well — we caught some momentum in the third quarter, we just couldn’t finish.”

TURKEY VALLEY GIRLS 60, NEW HAMPTON 54

NH 15 11 18 10 - 54
TV 15 13 6 26 - 60

NEW HAMPTON STATS

Carlee Rochford 13-19 6-7 34, Molly Wegner 2-5 2-2 7, Taylor Ries 1-4 3-4 5, Gracie Reicks 2-4 0-0 4, Kirsten Reicherts 2-2 0-1 4, Emily Jackson 0-0 0-2 0, Kandice Eggerichs 0-1 0-2 0, Elaina Rosonke 0-0 0-0 0. Totals: 20-35 11-18 54.

3-point shots - Rochford 2-4, Wegner 1-3, Jackson 0-1, Ries 0-1. Rebounds - Ries 6, Reicks 4, Wegner 4, Eggerichs 4, Jackson 3, Rochford 2.

Assists - Wegner 3, Reicks 3, Jackson 1, Ries 1.

Steals - Reicks 3, Ries 3, Wegner 2, Reicherts 2, Rochford 2, Eggerichs 1.

Blocks - Rochford 3, Reicks 1.

TURKEY VALLEY STATS

Jacqlyn Schmitt 6-9 8-10 20, Jalyssa Blazek 7-11 3-5 17, Kara Reicks 3-10 2-6 9, Aubrey Hoffer 1-2 4-6 6, Hailey Elsbernd 1-10 0-0 3, Alison Leibold 0-2 3-6 3, Brianna Busta 1-6 0-0 2. Totals: 19-50 20-33 60.

3-point shots - Reicks 1-3, Elsbernd 1-6, Hoffer 0-1.

Rebounds - Blazek 7, Busta 5, Hoffer 4, Schmitt 4, Leibold 4, Reicks 3, Elsbernd 1.

Assists - Blazek 4, Reicks 4, Busta 2.

Steals - Schmitt 2, Busta 2, Blazek 1, Reicks 1, Hoffer 1, Elsbernd 1, Leibold 1.

Blocks - Hoffer 2, Blazek 1.

TURKEY VALLEY BOYS 62, NEW HAMPTON 53

NH 4 17 19 11 - 53
TV 14 16 8 19 - 62

NEW HAMPTON STATS

Drake Wemark 13-26 2-5 28, Carter Steinlage 6-10 1-3 13, Cael Laures 2-4 0-0 4, Gannon Shekleton 1-4 1-2 3, Mason Lane 1-4 0-0 3, Tyler Wiltse 1-1 0-0 2, Evan Knowlton 0-0 0-0 0, Logan Peterman 0-1 0-0 0. Totals: 24-50 4-10 53.

3-point shots - Lane 1-3, Wemark 0-8, Shekleton 0-1.

Rebounds - Wemark 10, Laures 9, Shekleton 5, Lane 5, Steinlage 2, Knowlton 2.

Assists - Wemark 5, Lane 4, Shekleton 3, Steinlage 1, Laures 1.

Steals - Wemark 4, Steinlage 3, Knowlton 1, Wiltse 1.

Blocks - Lane 3, Shekleton 2, Laures 1.

TURKEY VALLEY STATS

Carson Busta 3-5 0-0 7, Dylan Reicks 4-8 0-0 8, Noah Hanson 1-5 4-7 6, Calvin Bodensteiner 4-10 1-2 12, Garrett Kurtenbach 5-20 8-9 23, Oliver Schmitt 0-2 1-2 1, Chase Hayek 2-4 1-2 5. Totals 19-54 15-22 62.

3-point field goals - Kurtenbach 5-16, Bodensteiner 3-6, Busta 1-1.

Rebounds - Bodensteiner 8, Reicks 7, Busta 6, Hanson 4, Kurtenbach 3, Hayek 1.

Assists - Hanson 8, Busta 4, Kurtenbach 1.

Steals - Busta 3, Hanson 3, Reicks 2, Bodensteiner 2, Kurtenbach 2, Hayek 1.

Blocks - Bodensteiner 1.

BOWLING

COFFEE CUP LEAGUE

STANDINGS	W	L
Hugeback-Johnson	24	16
Elma Gals	23.5	16.5
Mid-Tech	22.5	17.5
ExSalont	19	21
Rochford Insurance	16	24
Geerts Plumbing	15	25

DEC. 1 RESULTS

Hugeback-Johnson 4, ExSalont 0

Mid-Tech 3, Rochford Insurance 0

Geerts Plumbing 3, Elma Gals 1

LEADERS

High individual games:

Kristy Kirkus 227, Kirkus 186, Eleanor Martin 178.

High individual series:

Kirkus 584, Martin 484, Linda Lechtenberg 461.

High team games:

Mid-Tech 495, Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home 433, Mid-Tech 431.

High team series: Mid-Tech 1,299, Hugeback-Johnson 1,265, Rochford Insurance 1,212.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

Kirkus 65.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)

Kirkus 98.

Karen Schmitt

Secretary

ROLLAWAY LEAGUE

STANDINGS	W	L
Blue Iris	173.5	156.5
ASO	171.5	158.5
Hulbert Const.	167.5	162.5
Stanton Electric	159.5	170.5
Security State	159	171
Pocketful of Posies	159	171

NOV. 22 LEADERS

High individual games:

R. Buttolph 215-226, A. Lechtenberg 224, L. Novak 219.

High individual series:

R. Buttolph 629, L. Novak 568, D. Nehl 546.

High team games:

Security State Bank 822, Stanton Electric 819, Hulbert Construction 802.

High team series:

Security State Bank 2,372, Hulbert Construction 2,344, Stanton Electric 2,321.

SPLITS

D. Nehl 6-7-10, L. Hennings 5-7, L. Pullman 4-5-7.

NOV. 15 LEADERS

High individual games:

L. Novak 226-245, K. Rosonke 240, R. Geerts 202.

High individual series:

L. Novak 642, K. Rosonke 563, R. Geerts 556.

High team games:

Blue Iris 859, ASO 839, Hulbert Construction 810.

High team series:

Blue Iris 2,469, ASO 2,468, Pocketful of Posies 2,344.

SPLITS

R. Geerts 5-6, 3-10, L. Pullman 3-10.

K. Rosonke

Secretary

Chickasaw Women's Pool

Week 8 December 1

Butch's II	41-22
Hide-A-Way	32-31
Josie's I	32-31
Schucky's	31-31
Josie's II	29-34
Butch's I	28-35
Bowlaway Lanes	23-31

RESULTS

Butch's II 5, Butch's I 4

Josie's I 6, Hide-A-Way 3

Schucky's 5, Josie's II 4

Bye: Bowlaway Lanes

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Schucky's - Ann Heyging and Janna Burke



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Chickasaws open NEIC schedule this week

NH/TV: FROM 14

It wasn't a typical NH/TV finish at Indee as the Chickasaws finished 20th in the 28-team field. The Chickasaws had just two podium wrestlers — Edgar Nunez finished sixth at 113 while Braden McShane was seventh at 195.

Then again, this isn't, at least early in the season, a typical Chickasaws' wrestling squad.

"We had a lot of guys without a lot of varsity experience," Paulus said, "and they learned pretty quickly what it takes to wrestle good varsity competition. And that's OK. That's what we need right now."

Throw in the fact that two varsity wrestlers — junior Ben Tenge at 170 and senior Marcus Herold at 220 — were out with injuries and that 20th-place finish was a little more palatable.

And there were bright spots.

Both Nunez and McShane advanced Friday night into Saturday morning's quarterfinals, and although both of the podium placers won just one match on Saturday, Paulus said they showed their potential.

"When you're in the quarters at Indee, that means you're going to wrestle some really good kids. Again, we learn from there."

Another bright spot was senior Jacob Burgart, who went 4-1 on his way to a ninth-place finish. His only loss was to Solon's Gage Marty, who is ranked among the top-three heavyweights in Class 2A.

"Jacob may have been our best performer," Paulus said. "He really battled and showed us that he can wrestle with a lot of good kids. I wouldn't say he surprised us, because we know he's a fighter who isn't going to quit. But to see it on the mat was nice."

Other wrestlers who finished in the "top half" of their weights included junior Isaac Howe (12th at 182), sophomore Karson Kolbet (13th at 145) and senior Gavin Rings (13th at 160).

But the key for Paulus wasn't necessarily wins and losses but



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Isaac Howe (above) and Gavin Rings (below) both finish off takedowns Saturday morning at the Cliff Keen Independence Invitational.



the number of matches.

"You talk to any of our guys who haven't wrestled a lot of varsity," he said, "and they'll tell you that it's a big step up. It's faster, more physical, and it is by a lot, too. Experience is what we needed and we got a lot of it. We've got a ton to work on, don't get me wrong."

And they'll get a lot of time to work on it in the wrestling room this week as New Hampton/Turkey Valley doesn't compete until Thursday, when it travels to Decorah for its first Northeast Iowa Conference dual meet before heading to the South Winneshiek Invitational on Saturday.

"We get four days of practice this week," Paulus said, "and that's really good for us at this point of the season. Trust me, we're going to get better. I hate finishing 20th in anything, but we got what we needed this

weekend."

TEAM SCORES

Lisbon 362.5, Independence 346, Osage 290, Crestwood 249, Alburnett 239, Union 230.5, Carlisle 221.5, Burlington Notre Dame 221, Clarion-Goldfield-Dows 220, South Tama County 210, Algona 209, Solon 203, Fennimore 201, Greene County 182, West Liberty 180, Smithville 154.5, Cedar Rapids Prairie 151, Fort Madison 131, Des Moines Lincoln 128.5, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 124.5, Cedar Rapids Xavicer 120, Waterloo East 100, North Fayette Valley 80, Dubuque Senior 79, Clear Creek-Amana 76, Maquoketa 73, Christian Brothers College 58, Des Moines Roosevelt 51.

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

106: Landon Bruess placed 22nd. Round 1 - Tanner Wilson (I) pinned Bruess, 1:29. Round 2 - Mitchell Schmauss (Cr) pinned Bruess, 0:33. Round 3 - Bruess pinned Tyson Wheeler (Solon), 1:43. Cons. Round 1 - Mason Besler (DS) pinned Bruess, 3:27. Cons. Round 2 - Bruess pinned Tyrone Maddox (WE), 3:28. Cons. Round 3 - Clayton Babinat (STC) pinned Bruess, 2:34. 21st Place Match - Evan Burg (Solon), pinned Bruess, 3:59.

113: Edgar Nunez placed sixth. Round 2 - Nunez maj. dec. Loren Cain (DS), 17-6. Round 3 - Nunez dec. Elliot Hurley (I), 14-9. Quarterfinal - Ryan Hoefer (CRX) maj. dec. Nunez, 12-2. Cons. Round 2 - Nunez dec. Elijah Wilhite (Algona), 14-11. Cons. Round 3 - Amryn Nutter (Fen) maj. dec. Nunez, 14-2. 5th Place Match - Rigo Bobadilla (CGD), dec. Nunez, 9-3.

120 - Tate Schwickerath placed 19th. Round 1 - C.J. Davis (BND) 6-1 pinned Schwickerath, 1:38. Round 2 - Amare Chavez (STC) tech fall Schwickerath, 15-0. Round 3 - Schwickerath dec. Pryce Schueller (Maq), 8-5. Cons. Round 1 - Kyler Jessup (Solon) maj. dec. Schwickerath, 17-3. Cons. Round 2 - Schwickerath pinned Emma Mathis (CCA), 1:37. Cons. Round 3 - Schwickerath pinned Briar Mast (Un), 3:14. 19th Place Match - Schwickerath maj. dec. Angel Sanchez (DML), 13-2.

126: Peyton Anderson placed 16th. Round 1 - Anderson pinned Eddie Fulton (DMR), 1:53. Round 2 - Anderson maj. dec. Chase Gustafson (STC), 10-1. Round 3 - Jordan Schmidt (Solon) dec. Anderson, 4-1. Cons. Round 1 - Cade Korsmo (Cr) pinned Anderson, 1:19. Cons. Round 2 - Jack Stevens (CCA) maj. dec. Anderson, 14-6. 15th Place Match - Lucas Osterhaus (CRX) maj. dec. Anderson, 14-2.

132: Ethan Praska placed 19th. Round 1 - Tiernan Boots (Lisbon) maj. dec. Praska, 14-5. Round 2 - Brett Birchman (Fen) dec. Praska, 3-2. Cons. Round 1 - Ethan Govern (Cr)

pinned Praska, 0:48. Cons. Round 2 - Praska tech fall Isaac Lomas (WE), 18-3. Cons. Round 3 - Praska won by medical forfeit over Levi Livermore (Maq). 19th Place Match - Praska dec. Beck Arant (CCA), 15-13.

138: Burke Busta placed 20th. Round 1 - Caleb Bolander (FM) 3-3 dec. Busta, 13-7. Round 2 - Busta pinned Sullivan Davis (DMR), 1:32. Round 3 - Carter Straw (I) pinned Busta, 3:24. Cons. Round 1 - Busta pinned Shayden Washburn (Alb), 1:46. Cons. Round 2 - Hunter Penton (Alg), dec. Busta, 9-2. Cons. Round 3 - Busta dec. Max Carlson (CCA), 8-6. 19th Place Match - Shayden Washburn (Alb) dec. Busta, 6-1.

145: Karson Kolbet placed 13th. Round 1 - Kolbet pinned Benjamin Haughey (CCA), 5:27. Round 3 - Chase Thomas (Osage) tech fall Kolbet, 18-2. Cons. Round 1 - Kolbet pinned Trey Wells (DMR), 1:35. Cons. Round 2 - Seth Connolly (DS) pinned Kolbet, 1:10. Cons. Round 3 - Diego Sanchez (WL) pinned Kolbet, 4:39. 13th Place Match - Kolbet pinned Trey Wells (DMR), 3:32.

152: Kael Meyers placed 18th. Round 1 - Hayden Lucas (Car) pinned Meyers, 1:53. Round 2 - Jakobe Lahr (Solon) pinned Meyers, 3:06. Round 3 - Meyers pinned Heath Voigt (Osage), 4:33. Cons. Round 1 - Meyers pinned Luke Brownell (CGD), 1:45. Cons. Round 2 - Meyers dec. Rigley Koch (CRP), 4-0. 17th Place Match - Aidan Penneck (FM) dec. Meyers, 13-9.

160: Gavin Rings placed 13th. Round 1 - Rings pinned Luckyboy Kpan (DML), 4:58. Round 2 - Christian Stanek (CRX) maj. dec. Rings, 14-4. Cons. Round 1 - Rings dec. Brock Voyna (Cr), 10-4. Cons. Round 2 - Cadin Herrmann (WE) maj. dec. Rings, 14-1. Cons. Round 3 - Trent Plisney (Cr) pinned Rings, 1:11. 13th Place Match - Rings maj. dec. David Karam (Solon), 9-0.

170: Ty Robinson placed 26th. Round 1 - Dalton Hoover (I) pinned Robinson, 1:02. Round 2 - Hayden Baker (Alb) pinned Robinson, 1:28. Round 3 - Spencer Martin (Maq) pinned Robinson, 3:43. 25th Place Match - Kaden Phan (CCA) pinned Robinson, 3:39.

182: Isaac Howe placed 12th. Round 1 - Howe pinned Sammel Reitz (Alg), 3:00. Round 3 - CJ Walrath (BND) pinned Howe, 1:35. Cons. Round 1 - Noland Pagel (Car) dec. Howe, 7-6. Cons. Round 2 - Howe pinned Cole Smith (CRP), 4:41. Cons. Round 3 - Howe dec. Dade Altman (Solon), 12-5. 11th Place Match - Noland Pagel (Car) won by medical forfeit over Howe.

195: Braden McShane placed seventh. Round 3 - McShane pinned Erick Perez (CGD), 1:35. Quarterfinal - Lander Schemmel (Cr) maj. dec. McShane, 10-2. Cons. Round 2 - Jamien Moore (Lisbon) dec. McShane, 3-2. 7th Place Match - McShane pinned Keegan Davis (DMR), 1:23.

220: Zach Utley placed 20th. Round 1 - Gavin Bridgewater (STC) pinned Utley, Round 3 - Daniel Sokolik (FM) pinned Utley, 3:03. Cons. Round 1 - Utley pinned Muhanned Al-Suleiman (CRP), 2:51. Cons. Round 2 - Sam Norris (DMR) dec. Utley, 3-2. Cons. Round 3 - Utley dec. Tyler Steines (CCA), 6-2. 19th Place Match - Muhanned Al-Suleiman (CRP) pinned Utley, 2:37.

285: Jacob Burgart placed ninth. Round 1 - Burgart pinned Cohen Pfohl (DS), 1:24. Round 3 - Gage Marty (Solon) pinned Burgart, 1:22. Cons. Round 1 - Burgart maj. dec. Ivan Delgado (DML), 10-2. Cons. Round 2 - Burgart pinned Carter Dawley (CRP), 2:37. 9th Place Match - Burgart dec. Gabe Hanson (Un), 6-3.

Trojan girls bounce back for UIC victory

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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With fresh legs and a disruptive defense, the Turkey Valley girls basketball team got back to its winning ways.

The Trojans bounced back after a setback a week ago this past Tuesday to MFL-Mar-Mac with a dominating victory over Clayton Ridge, 54-27, on Friday evening at home.

After an impressive 60-54 victory over New Hampton in the season opener on Monday, Nov. 29, TV played in back-to-back nights on the road against the Bulldogs. The result was an MFL win by a score of 46-35.

"It's tough to play those back-to-back-games and I credit the girls for not giving up. Even though we struggled to keep the energy and intensity high at times, they gave a great effort on tired legs," said TV head coach Carla Nymeyer, in her ninth season.

TV was led by Jalyssa Blazek's 13 points and junior Jacqlyn Schmitt's 12 points down low in the league triumph. Schmitt led all scorers against MFL-Mar-Mac with 17 points.

She also grabbed seven rebounds in the losing effort. Blazek was 5-for-6 from the field against CR and also nailed a 3-pointer.

Turkey Valley struggled from the floor - shooting just 30 percent, 14-for-46 — against MFL.

Kara Reicks came up with a much better scoring output against CR with eight points. She also splashed down two shots from beyond the arc to go along with her five steals, four rebounds and three steals.

Turkey Valley boys get their first conference win

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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John Izer said his team ran out of gas last week against MFL-Mar-Mac.

That may be one reason the Bulldogs toppled Turkey Valley, 68-48, on Tuesday, Nov. 30 in each team's first Upper Iowa Valley Conference game of the season in Monona.

"We had no legs. Obviously, we're not in mid-season shape," said Izer. "We got wore out."

Good teams bounce back from disheartening defeats and that's exactly what TV did against Clayton Ridge at home on Friday, winning 47-40 to even their league mark to 1-1 this early in the season.

"You could tell the energy was back. We got off to a good start against a very good team - a very physical team," said Izer about CR.

"Everybody wanted to be 3-0. This week I think 2-1 is big," said Izer, who took over for longtime Trojan head coach Chris Sullivan earlier this year. "It was easy for me to flush the MFL game. That one you let go and move on."

Carson Busta, Izer's junior guard, was 3-for-3 from beyond the arc for nine points against MFL. He also nailed two 3-pointers versus CR and finished with eight points.

"Carson's been a pleasant surprise. I just can't recall him making that many mistakes," said Izer.

Another player that will have to contribute a lot this season for Turkey Valley is junior low-post player Chase Hayek, who netted nine points on 4-for-6 shooting against the Bulldogs

"It was great to see us score first and never look back as we consistently improved our lead and disrupted well defensively. I liked the balanced scoring and the team effort put forth by all the players," said Nymeyer.

TV (2-1, 1-1) held CR to just 11 second-half points.

Brianna Busta notched eight points and Aubrey Hoffert recorded seven points versus CR to help add to the all-around scoring attack for the Trojans.

MFL-MAR-MAC 46, TURKEY VALLEY 35									
TV	13	2	7	13	-	35			
MFL	13	8	6	19	-	57			

Jalyssa Blazek 1-6 0-0 2, Kara Reicks 1-10 0-0 2, Aubrey Hoffert 1-4 0-0 2, Hailey Elsbernd 3-6 0-0 8, Jacqlyn Schmitt 7-10 3-5 17, Alison Leibold 0-1 0-0 0, Brianna Busta 1-9 2-2 4. Totals - 14-46 5-7 35.

3-point field goals - Blazek 0-2, Reicks 0-6, Hoffert 0-2, Elsbernd 2-3, Leibold 0-1, Busta 0-2.

Rebounds - Blazek 4, Reicks 4, Hoffert 3, Elsbernd 1, Schmitt 7, Leibold 1, Busta 4.

Assists - Blazek 2, Reicks 2. Steals - Blazek 3, Reicks 4, Hoffert 1, Schmitt 1, Leibold 1. Blocks - Schmitt 3, Hoffert 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 54, CLAYTON RIDGE 27									
CR	7	9	2	9	-	27			
TV	13	17	12	12	-	54			

Blazek 5-6 2-3 13, Reicks 2-7 2-2 8, Hoffert 3-8 0-2 7, Elsbernd 1-8 0-0 2, Schmitt 5-10 2-3 12, Leibold 0-2 4-9 4, Busta 2-7 3-3 8, Olivia Snyder 0-0 0-0 0 Abigail Schmitt 0-0 0-4 0. Totals - 18-48 13-26 54.

3-point field goals - Blazek 1-1, Reicks 2-4, Hoffert 1-3, Elsbernd 0-4, Schmitt 0-1, Busta 1-4.

Rebounds - Blazek 3, Reicks 4, Hoffert 3, Elsbernd 1, Schmitt 5, Leibold 3, Busta 3, A. Schmitt 1.

Assists - Blazek 2, Reicks 3, J. Schmitt 1, Busta 2.

Steals - Blazek 3, Reicks 5, Hoffert 3, J. Schmitt 2.

Blocks - Blazek 1, J. Schmitt 1.

and came up with five points off the bench versus the Eagles.

"He is really starting to play with some confidence. He's really helping us out," said Izer.

TV senior guard Garrett Kurtenbach bounced back from a cold shooting night against MFL and hit for 18 points versus Clayton Ridge. He drilled four 3-pointers and grabbed six rebounds.

MFL-MAR-MAC 68, TURKEY VALLEY 48									
TV	17	10	11	10	-	48			
MFL	23	9	14	22	-	68			

Carson Busta 3-4 0-0 9, Dylan Reicks 2-6 1-2 5, Noah Hanson 1-3 2-2 4, Calvin Bodensteiner 2-5 2-2 7, Garrett Kurtenbach 3-10 0-0 8, Caleb Kurtenbach 2-4 0-0 4, Braylen Byrne 0-0 0-0 0, Oliver Schmitt 0-0 2-2 2, Chase Hayek 4-6 1-1 9. Totals 17-38 8-9 48.

3-point field goals - Busta 3-3, Bodensteiner 1-2, G. Kurtenbach 2-8, C. Kurtenbach 0-2.

Rebounds - Reicks 7, Hanson 3, Bodensteiner 1, G. Kurtenbach 4, C. Kurtenbach 1, Hayek 3.

Assists - Busta 2, Reicks 2, Hanson 1, Bodensteiner 2, G. Kurtenbach 2, Hayek 1.

Steals - Busta 1, Reicks 1, G. Kurtenbach 2.

Blocks - G. Kurtenbach 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 47, CLAYTON RIDGE 40									
CR	6	10	10	14	-	40			
TV	11	11	6	19	-	47			

Busta 3-4 0-0 8, Reicks 2-3 4-5 8, Hanson 1-1 2-4 4, Bodensteiner 1-4 1-2 4, G. Kurtenbach 5-17 4-6 18, C. Kurtenbach 0-1 0-0 0, Byrne 0-0 0-0 0, Schmitt 0-0 0-0 0, Hayek 2-4 1-2 5. Totals - 14-34 12-19 47.

3-point field goals - Busta 2-2, Bodensteiner 1-3, G. Kurtenbach 4-14.

Rebounds - Busta 4, Reicks 4, Hanson 3, Bodensteiner 5, G. Kurtenbach 6.

Assists - Busta 2, Reicks 3, Hanson 4, Bodensteiner 1, G. Kurtenbach 2, Hayek 1.

Steals - Bodensteiner 4, Hanson 2, Busta 1, G. Kurtenbach 1.

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RIVETING RIVALRY NIGHT

TURKEY VALLEY GETS
A HOOPS SWEEP OF
NEW HAMPTON

By DOROTHY HUBER
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Heidi Kriener cradled her head in her hands after the Turkey Valley boys were able to edge their New Hampton neighbors Monday night in a thriller for the crowd, but a pressure cooker for a scoreboard keeper. Kriener has been running the scoreboard several years, but this night was one-of-a-kind, and the evening consisted of four games, starting with a JV girls' battle. "They were all like this!" Kriener shook her head. "If this would have been my first time it would have been my last," she said. "It was so stressful!"

The JV girls' game set the tone for the night, with a 33-32 win by the Chickasaws. The Turkey Valley JV boys trailed most of their game before the Trojans outscored their New Hampton counterparts 24-7 in the final quarter for a 63-50 win. The TV varsity girls won 60-54 and the Trojan boys capped the night with a 62-53 win.

Both varsity games were closer than the final score, as New Hampton had to foul late in each game to stop the clock and the Trojans utilized the charity stripe, with the final five points for the TV girls coming on free throws and the final nine points for the Trojan boys.

TURKEY VALLEY COACH Carla Nymeyer knew her team wouldn't be able to stop the Chickasaws' Carlee Rochford. "Our goal was to keep her as close to 25 points as possible," said Nymeyer. "Jalyssa Blazek took it all to heart and worked her tail off defensively. We definitely wanted to try to slow [Rochford] up, make it hard for her, and limit her touches as much as possible. Jalyssa and Kara [Reicks] did a great job with that."

While Rochford was the high game scorer with 34 points, the Trojan girls had a 1-2 punch with Jacqlyn Schmitt coming in with 20 points and Blazek adding 17.

"We have kids that haven't played together before, some need varsity experience," said New Hampton coach Dave Leichtman. "Turkey Valley face-guarded



Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Turkey Valley's Garrett Kurtenbach (above) tries to get a pass over New Hampton's Drake Wemark while Chickasaw Taylor Ries (below) tries to get around a double team by the Trojans' Jalyssa Blazek and Kara Reicks during last week's basketball games in Jackson Junction.

Carlee pretty well, as our other kids get on the floor and make shots that'll take the pressure off Carlee. But we did shoot the ball better against Turkey Valley than we did against Riceville."

It was New Hampton's second game, but the first for the Trojans; they trailed early in the game after Rochford drove aggressively to the basket. When the Chickasaws' Taylor Ries hit a layup right before the quarter break the score was tied at 15. Two free throws by Aubrey Hoffert would put the Trojans up 28-26 at the half, but would also start a TV drought that

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Edgar Nunez (above) looks up at the referee in his 113-pound match while Chickasaw heavyweight Jacob Burgart (below) battles for position at the Cliff Keen Independence Invitational Saturday.

Chickasaws pick up valuable experience

NH/TV's Nunez, McShane and Burgart pick up top-10 finishes at Indee tourney

By BOB FENSKE
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Heading into this past weekend's Cliff Keen Independence Invitational, New Hampton/Turkey Valley wrestling coach Matt Paulus knew his team was a work in progress. He was proven right, but Paulus also saw enough positives to leave Independence with a smile. "We had some guys get seven matches, most of them got at least six, and you know what? That's what we needed," he said. "It was an eye-opener for a lot of our guys, no doubt about it, but I'll tell you this much, we have a lot of film to watch and learn from and that's what we wanted."



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