



Members (above) of New Hampton High School's choirs — Nu-Hi Chorale and the Chamber Choir — enter the gym singing “On This Good Christmas Morn” while Harper Paulsen plays the bass drum during the school's annual Winter Concert that was held last week.



Filling the gym with beautiful music



Kye Rausch (left) plays the saxophone with the Concert Band, members of the Nu-Hi Chorale and Chamber Choir perform a song and Israel Ortiz on trumpet and Jacob McDonald on tuba play with the Concert Band.

Winter Concert photos by Jennifer Monteith



Brenna Thronsdon and Skyler Bugenhagen (above) perform with the Chamber Choir while Hayden Hackman and Addison Schmidt (right) play their trumpets with the Concert Band.



Seniors Calyb Zeien and Dylan Carter (left) play their trombones with the Concert Band while Jill Cantu (above) directs the Chamber Choir.





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Salvation Army unit blessed with plenty of bell ringers

BY BOB FENSKE
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Moving to an online sign-up system appears to have paid big dividends to the Chickasaw County unit of the Salvation Army when it comes to its annual Kettle Campaign.

The last bell was rung early in the afternoon on Christmas Eve and the unit's coordinator said virtually every shift was filled during the campaign that began on Nov. 20.

"We had maybe three or four 6 to 7 shifts that weren't taken," Kris Markham said, "but that was it. It's the best year we've had and like I always say, we can't raise any money when we don't have someone ringing the bell at the kettle."

She said the almost perfect "attendance rate" was due in large part because the Salvation Army used a Signup Genius page put together by New Hampton resident Jennifer Monteith.

"I can't thank Jenny enough because it made it so much easier for people to volunteer," Markham said. "They could go online and see what was open and a lot of people took an extra hour or two, too. And for us, it was nice because when we were trying to do everything by phone, you had to have everything — the schedule and all that — with you."

As in past years, Markham was effusive when it came to her gratitude to Fareway for allowing the unit to use its entry way for 11 hours a day, six days a week for almost five weeks.

She said she'll have the final numbers — the amount of money raised and the number of volunteers who worked at least one shift — next week.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton resident Tom Deutsch takes a shift as a bell ringer on Monday morning for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle campaign.

The money raised is used to fund emergency situations throughout the county and in the past has also been donated to area schools to help purchase winter clothing and school supplies for students from low-income families.

"It does a lot of good and every little bit helps," Markham said, "and so a big thank you to all those who took a shift or two or three or more. We can't do this without volunteers, and we were fortunate to have so many this year."



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Those Tootsie Rolls go for a few good causes!

Knights of Columbus member Richard Grote presents checks for ARC of Iowa, an organization that serves developmentally disabled residents, and Special Olympics to Eleanore Martin (above) and also makes a donation to Rachel Miller for Comprehensive Systems.

The checks represent the proceeds from the Knights' annual Tootsie Roll campaign that they conducted this past fall.



Despite successful run, students look to improve Opportunity Fair

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said, "and I think we all thought it went really well."

Iowa BIG North students began planning for the Dec. 3 event back in August, and Thronson said that they became well-acquainted with the word logistics during the months-long planning for the fair.

"It wasn't a lot of work in some ways, but the logistics — contacting everyone, inviting them, making sure we had enough room, all that stuff — took a lot of time," she said. "Put it this way, we were never bored."

The fair ran for three hours and students from New Hampton, Turkey Valley, Sumner-Fredricksburg, Nashua-Plainfield and Riceville had a chance to explore different career, college and military options.

"I don't think we were nervous the day of the event," Weber said, "but at the same time, we all wanted it to go well. It was just nice to see that everything went smoothly and we didn't really forget anything."

At the same time, the four students recapping the Opportunity Fair say they learned a lot, and since they are all juniors, that means they believe they can improve the event next year.

They pointed out that students from a couple of schools found out they were visiting the fair just a day or two before the event.

"It helps if you come a little prepared," Weber said. "It takes two to have a conversation. It can't just be the business owner, you know what I mean? But we got a lot of compliments."

The Iowa BIG North students



Maici Weber/Iowa Big North

An Opportunity Fair participant gets a chance to try his hand in a simulator during the event that was held earlier this month in the New Hampton High School competition gymnasium.

said that they received positive feedback from those representing businesses, as well as col-

lege and military recruiters.

"They appreciated that we had students there to help them

bring stuff in and get things set up," Larsen said, "and that was a real positive."

The students also said they are going to tackle the "parking issue" for next year's fair.

"It was pretty jam packed because we have all the students and teachers here, too, so we're going to try to figure out that so it's a little better next year," Thronson said.

The organizers of the event also are hoping they can extend the hours of the fair, pointing out at times the competition gym may have had too many people in it.

"The whole idea is to get one-on-one conversations between the businesses and students," Thronson said, "and we had, you know, like two groups in at the same time so that was a little harder. Maybe having it go longer would help."

Robinson, though, said what makes the fair worth it is that the Iowa BIG North students readily take feedback from those who attend.

"This year was earlier in the year and that was huge for the juniors and seniors," she said, "so that they could get some ideas. Not that they didn't last spring, but it worked a lot better having it when they had it this year. It's a worthwhile event. For the students, it's a chance to find out about a ton of opportunities here, and for our businesses, it's a way to showcase those opportunities. It's a win-win."

Mike Kuennen, the coordinator for the Iowa BIG North program in New Hampton, agreed.

"I'm proud of our kids," he said. "They stepped up and because it's student-driven, I think that creates a buzz and interest among all the rest of the students."

Thomson will chair Iowa House's Government Oversight Committee

BY BOB STEENSON
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Committee assignments have been announced for the Iowa House of Representatives for the 91st General Assembly that will begin its 2025 session in January.



Thomson

Thomson will chair the Government Oversight Committee.

House Speaker Pat Grassley (R-New Hartford) announced committee assignments for the 91st General Assembly last week.

"I am honored that Speaker Pat Grassley put his trust in me to lead the House Government Oversight Committee," said Thomson. "I am eager to work to investigate any issues of concern to Iowans and make sure that our state government is working as intended for Iowans."

Thomson, who is beginning his second term in the Legislature after being re-elect-

ed in the Nov. 5 election, will also be a member of the Commerce, the Judiciary and the Public Safety committees, and will be a member of the Administration and Regulation Appropriations Subcommittee.

Committee leadership positions had originally been announced in November.

Thomson represents Iowa House District 58, which includes all of Floyd County except the northwest Rock Grove and Rockford townships, all of Chickasaw County and most of Bremer County except for the western and southwestern townships including Waverly.

House Speaker Grassley said, "Iowa House Republicans will continue to deliver on the promises we make to Iowans. Our caucus represents part or all of Iowa's 99 counties, putting us in the best possible position to listen to Iowans and be their voice in the Statehouse. We're excited to get back to work in January."

Previously Thomson served as vice chair of the Economic Development Budget Subcommittee, as well as other committee assignments.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Rotary and its partners deliver Christmas meals

Members of the New Hampton Rotary Club and New Hampton High School's Interact Club put together foodstuffs for Christmas meals last Wednesday that were delivered to 40 families in need. The project was supported by donations from Reicks View Farms, MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center and the Northeast Iowa Food Bank.

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How can Christians best celebrate a new year?

While many people are deciding how to celebrate on Dec. 31 and figuring out their New Year's resolutions, what should Christians be doing?

There might not be one "right" way to observe the transition from 2024 to 2025, but here are some thoughts to help believers stay Christ-focused.

Many people, no matter what they believe, look at Jan. 1 as a chance for a new beginning. If the previous year was disappointing or they made significant mistakes, they imagine wiping the slate clean and starting over.

Christians know that new starts are available any time, they are not dictated by the calendar. "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning" (Lamentations 3:22-23).

All those who confess and repent their sin can enjoy freedom from regret and shame. They can find courage to endure through trials. Joy and mercy are available for every believer, all the time. A new year, however, inspires this kind of thought process.

New Resolution: Confession

Starting over often turns into making resolutions, but quitting smoking, starting a diet, or purchasing a gym membership is only the beginning of a "fresh start." If there is a sin issue in any person's life, he or she can address it right now.

In fact, peace awaits the one who is quick to confess and repent of sin. "Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD" (Psalm 32:10).

Bad habits and addictions are symptomatic of deeper issues. Rather than making a resolution to quit doing something or start doing something else, take advantage of this renewed impetus to face sin in your life and find freedom from its effects through the Father's loving direction.

For example, you might be the kind of person who seeks attention by causing drama. You might run from conflict by exercising too much and trying to control a painful situation by regulating calories carefully.

Fear could be driving you to drink or abuse drugs. These habits or addictions enslave a person; they rob peace because alcohol or exercise or drama becomes a focus of worship; an idol.

The New Year is a perfect time to dig up the roots of trouble by the power of the Holy Spirit, under the assurance that honest and whole-hearted repentance leads to life and peace (2 Corinthians 7:10).

Remember these words from the Apostle John: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Jesus does not want his people to be burdened by their sin. He wants them to experience freedom.

Just remember that, although God's Word contains all the answers one needs to overcome addictions and work through conflict, gospel counselors provide direction and support, helping to connect the Lord's promises to one's unique emotional needs.

A responsible and discerning counselor will also suggest medical attention where necessary: certain habits and behaviors can be the result of a clinical issue or trauma and could require medication, at least for a time.



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When one faces the turmoil of personal sin in response to sins committed against him or her, the New Year could be a time when both parties reflect and make changes.

But the work of the Spirit in each person's life is between him or her and God. Part of learning to overcome addictive behaviors is, potentially, finding the courage to walk away from an abusive marriage, friendship, or job. A counselor can help.

Remember All the Lord Has Done

"Take care lest you forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery" (Deuteronomy 6:12). Christians are enjoined to never forget what their Lord has done for them.

A Christian who obtains his greatest joy from the Lord sees January 1 as a time to remember the goodness of God as it has unfolded across the past year. Sometimes the details of God's intervention are only obvious when one surveys his goodness over time.

We can never remember the Lord's grace and mercy and love towards us too often. Remembering Christ is essential; the more one does this the better.

But at the start of a New Year, one might reassess which direction to go with regard to career or a relationship, what his or her cross might be, and to either change course or stick with the established One.

If this is a difficult season, go back to Hebrews 4:15, "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

Recall that Christ knows the temptations you face, the suffering you endure. He is able to sympathize, so turn to him without fear.

Celebrate the New Year

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). This is the Psalmist's exhortation for every day, not just New Year's Day; not only on good days, when we anticipate the company of friends and a great meal, perhaps music and dancing. Every day is the Lord's Day and every day we are his.

Christians do not need to avoid "fun" as though Christ was averse to it. God does

not demand that we be serious all the time.

Adrian Rogers explains, "Jesus was not a recluse. He performed His first miracle at a wedding, when He changed water into wine. He was so full of life that His enemies called Him a wine bibber and a glutton. He was not, but there was in Him a genuine joy, and if you don't have that joy, you're not like Jesus, for He is literally leaping with joy."

We are not called into debauchery, that is not joy; but we are encouraged by Christ's example to be filled with the exuberance for life, which is living inside of us by the Holy Spirit.

"For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, 'Abba! Father!'" (Romans 8:14-15). We have so much reason to celebrate.

Christ Coming Closer

Every year, someone predicts the end of the world. This so-called prophet names a year and tells the world not only when but how the world will end. With each new catastrophe and major conflict between world powers, Armageddon seems nigh, but only God knows when the end will come (Matthew 24:36).

Yet, every Jan. 1, Christians wonder "will this be the year Jesus returns?" One thing is for sure: Jesus' return is sooner today than it was yesterday. With that in mind, we prepare.

We are God's children now, and [...] we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure (1 John 3:2-3).

Why Does This Matter?

New Year's Day is no different from any other day as far as Christ is concerned. For the believer, however, the very idea of throwing out an old calendar and starting with 12 clean pages is a poignant reminder that the pages, like our lives, quickly become messy.

New Year's Day is a day of resetting hearts, which have wandered, and of restoring the habit of turning to Christ every day for a fresh start, not in a new relationship, but in a relationship with Jesus, which is always growing.

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- You can help your business attract and retain employees. In a tight labor market, you'll want to employ all the advantages you can to attract and keep good employees — and a retirement plan can help.
- You can gain tax benefits. Your contributions to a retirement plan — on behalf of yourself and your employees — can be tax deductible. Plus, you can get tax credits for starting a new plan.

Here are some retirement plans to consider:

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- Personal defined benefit plan — You can establish a pension plan, also known as a defined benefit plan, for yourself if you're self-employed or own your own business. For 2024, the annual defined pension benefit for a business owner cannot exceed the lesser of \$275,000 or 100% of their average compensation for the previous three highest consecutive calendar years.
- SEP IRA — If you have just



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a few employees or are self-employed with no employees, you may want to consider an SEP IRA. In 2024, your contribution limit was 25% of your salary or \$69,000, whichever was less. The percentage of your salary you contribute to your SEP IRA is the same percentage of your eligible employees' salaries you must contribute to their SEP IRAs.

• **SIMPLE IRA** — A SIMPLE IRA is easy to set up and maintain, but while it may be advantageous for your employees, it's less generous to you, in terms of allowable contributions, than an owner-only 401(k) or a SEP-IRA. In 2024, you could contribute up to \$16,000 to a SIMPLE IRA, or \$19,500 if you are 50 or older. You must put in 2% of your employees' salaries, regardless of whether they contribute, or match their contributions dollar for dollar, up to 3% of their salaries.

And keep this in mind: The SECURE 2.0 legislation has made it possible for you to offer a Roth version of a SEP or SIMPLE IRA. Although contributions to either Roth account are not deductible, earnings and withdrawals are tax free, provided you (and your employees) are at least 59½ and have had your account at least five years.

To learn more about these and other business retirement plans, you might want to contact a financial professional. But don't wait too long — the sooner you start preparing for your retirement — and helping your employees plan for theirs — the better.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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Lawler Lions Club gearing up for annual Cowboy Poetry event set for Jan. 24-25

Wanting to get the word out earlier this year, the Lawler Lions Club is announcing the date for its Cowboy Music, Humor & Storytelling event.

On Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24 and 25, the Starlite Ballroom in Lawler will host the gathering, which promises "cowboy poetry, stories and music through the eyes of working cowboys and ranchers who live the life they portray."

Three performers — R.P. Smith, Bonnie Krogman and Brooke Turner — will put on the show.

It's the 19th year for the event that has raised thousands of dollars for local organizations and causes, with this year's funds to benefit the Chickasaw County Firefighters' Association Honor Guard.

Organizers are asking for a \$30 donation for the bash, which includes a Swiss steak dinner. Only advance tickets are sold, they are available at Bank Iowa, Fidelity Bank & Trust, Luana Savings Bank, First Citizens Bank and Security State Bank.

Shows each day are at 7:15 p.m., with the meal at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. For more information call Carla Dreckman at 563-238-3861 or email carla.dreckman@yahoo.com.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Northeast Iowa Community Action CEO Trisha Wilkins makes her funding pitch for the organization she leads to the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors during Monday's meeting.

County looking for contractor to get rid of Heritage's walk-in cooler

By BOB FENSKE

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Members of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors are looking to get rid of a walk-in cooler at the Heritage Center, and they'd like to see it gone sooner rather than later.

During Monday's meeting, board members agreed to seek bids from a contractor to remove and dispose the cooler after the former county home had a frozen pipe burst earlier this month.

The county's insurance adjuster has told the county the cooler needs to be removed and that ServicePro, which is fixing much of the damage caused by the burst pipe, will not remove the cooler that hasn't been used since Inspiring Lives moved out of the old county home several years ago.

Supervisor Jake Hackman asked County Attorney David Laudner if the county needed to seek bids or if it could declare an

"emergency" and hire a contractor without going through the bidding process that county policy normally calls for.

Laudner said he was uncomfortable with having the board go through the emergency route, pointing out that the pipe burst on Dec. 6.

But he said the board could move rather quickly on bids and country leaders decided to seek bids from a contractor for "removing and disposing all electrical, plumbing and mechanical equipment associated with the walk-in cooler" by Jan. 23.

Bids are due by this coming Monday and will be acted on during the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting.

Supervisors on Monday also received a 2025-26 funding request from Northeast Iowa Community Action (NICA) Chief Executive Officer Trisha Wilkins, who asked the county to provide \$35,306 in funding. That's the same request NICA made a year ago.

Wilkins told county leaders that NICA had served 817 individuals in Chickasaw County during the past year and provided assistance in the amount of \$256,732.

She said that 262 county residents received low-income home energy assistance in the amount of \$143,800 but also touted NICA's work with the Head Start preschool program, weatherization assistance, crisis assistance and housing.

NICA said the county had 24 students in Head Start, had provided eight residents with \$95,061 for weatherization needs, handled 55 crisis assistance cases in the amount of \$17,871 and helped purchase four lease purchase homes that have a combined assessed value of \$511,800.

"I understand the challenge counties and cities have with budgeting," Wilkins said. "We have kept the request the same this year, not that we don't need additional funding but I understand budget constraints you're facing."

Supervisors getting ready to dive into crafting budget, tax levy for 2025-26

BUDGET: FROM 1

taxpayers perhaps if you say, 'Hey, we've kept our levy rates the same for the last 15 years.' Well, you have, but the valuations have gone up 70 percent in the last 15 years."

Still, counties like Chickasaw that barely exceed the state's threshold will face challenges. Hackman pointed out that a county "to the south of us" will see valuations go up 10 percent next year but even with cutting its tax levy rate, Shekleton said that it will receive about 6 percent more in revenue.

"The smaller counties are really going to suffer with this," Supervisor Steve Breitbach said.

A year ago, supervisors were just beginning a budget process that ended up leading to a 14 percent increase in the so-called "tax-asking" from its three major funds — GB,

General Services (GS) and Rural Services Basic (RSB). That was considerably lower than the 19 percent increase that supervisors first considered.

On Monday, Hackman said he believes the county will end this budget year with strong ending fund balances — pointing out that as of now GB and GS currently have \$3.8 million in the bank.

Laudner, though, asked if one took the ending fund balances out of the equation "is what we're bringing in enough to fund for the county?"

"I would say yes," Hackman said, but he added that it's complicated and that the board that convenes in 2025 will have its work cut out for it as it begins crafting the 2025-26 budget and tax levy. "We're going to have to be more efficient ... if they're going to keep ratcheting down our GB levy rate, what's going to happen?"

Laudner said he believes county leaders will have to continue to deal with state mandates even after House File 718 "sunsets" in 2029.

"If you read the comments from the new Legislature that is coming in, I think property tax reform — which has been a bedeviling problem for years and years and years in this state — is a No. 1 priority. I think they're going to have to massage it a little bit and figure it out better."

But, as he put it, it's not going to go away, and supervisors conceded that they have their work cut out for them in the next few months.

They will begin that process in the first full week of January when they hear budget proposals from the four autonomous county boards — Public Health, Emergency Management, Conservation and Veterans Affairs. A week later, the coun-

ty will begin budget proposals from the other nine county departments.

Left undecided Monday is if county leaders will set pay increases before that.

More than half of the county's employees — those represented by unions — will receive 4 percent raises as part of their contracts, and Hackman said it was his understanding that the autonomous boards for the most part have included pay increases in their budgets.

New Hampton resident Terry Johnson, who made a bid for the District 4 supervisor seat but lost in the Republican primary in June, urged board members to not only be looking at the 2025-26 budget but also future years' budgets.

"Sooner or later, those fund balances, if that's all you're using, are going to go away," he said. "You've got to have a plan and it can't be just looking at one year."

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

DECEMBER 16, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, December 16, 2024, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Hackman and Cervinske present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Cervinske called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Bob Fenske member of the media, Isaac Carter, Custodian Dave Gorman, Chickasaw Event Center Chip Schwickerath, Terry Johnson, Riverview Center Sam Blatt, Kathy Shekleton, Jeremy McGrath, Chickasaw County Cemetery Commission: Dale Liddle, Steve Kuennen, Diane Murphy and Judy Liddle

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve the agenda for December 16, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve minutes for December 9, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge the resignation of Kirby Niewoehner from the EMS effective December 13, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve Chickasaw County Iowa Vehicle Operations Policy updated December 16, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

9:05 AM No public comment.
Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Breitbach to approve RESOLUTION NO. 12-16-24-51 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION PROCEDURE IN ACCORDANCE WITH IOWA CODE SECTION 459.304(3) WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304 sets out the procedure for evaluation of an application relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; and

WHEREAS, Chickasaw County can adopt a construction evaluation resolution and then submit to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

an adopted recommendation to approve or disapprove a construction permit application regarding a proposed confinement feeding operation structure; and WHEREAS, only if Chickasaw County adopts a construction evaluation resolution and then submits an adopted recommendation may Chickasaw County contest the DNR's decision regarding a specific application; and WHEREAS, by adopting a construction evaluation resolution Chickasaw County agrees to evaluate every construction permit application for a proposed confinement feeding operation structure received between February 1, 2025, and January 31, 2026, and submit an adopted recommendation regarding that application to the DNR; and WHEREAS, Chickasaw County must conduct an evaluation of every construction permit application using the master matrix created in Iowa Code section 459.305, but Chickasaw County's recommendation to the DNR may be based on the final score on the master matrix or may be based on reasons other than the final score on the master matrix. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the construction evaluation procedure outlined herein in accordance with Iowa Code section 459.304(3). HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 16th day of December, 2024. /s/ Scott Cervinske, Chairman, Aye: Kuhn, Breitbach, Suckow, Hackman, Cervinske. /s/Attest: Sheila Shekleton Auditor.

Discussed Riverview Center, Director of Development and Public Relations, Sam Blatt FY2025-2026 budget request.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to appoint Jeremy McGrath to the Board of Health, a three-year term, starting January 1, 2025 thru December 31, 2027. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cervinske. Nays: Kuhn. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to appoint Shane Fountain to the Conservation Board District 5, a five-year term, starting January 1, 2025 thru December 31, 2029. Roll call: Ayes:

Suckow, Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn, Cervinske. Motion carried.

Consensus of the Board of Supervisors to have the Auditor post a listing for Benefited Fire District (Stapleton Township) (three-year term).

Discussed updates on the Chickasaw Event Center with Board President Chip Schwickerath and FY 2025-2026 budget request

Budget work session
Discussed Pioneer Cemetery FY 2025-2026 budget request with Chickasaw County Cemetery Commission: Dale Liddle, Steve Kuennen, Diane Murphy and Judy Liddle

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve claims in the amount of \$159,067.49. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve prior bills in the amount of \$11,437.70. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Kuhn to approve payroll check date December 13, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Committee Assignments:
Supervisor Hackman- December 12-6 County Meeting, December 13-CSS
Supervisor Suckow- December 12-6 County Meeting
Supervisor Breitbach- December 12-6 County Meeting

Recessed: 10:19 AM
Resumed: 10:35 AM
Tour of the Heritage Center and discussed water damage from December 5th water pipe break with custodian Dave Gorman.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 10:58 AM Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Scott Cervinske, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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Forecast

Thursday: Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers; high 39, low 35.

Friday: Cloudy with rain likely and a high of 46 and a low of 38.

Saturday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain showers; high 46, low 32.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 43 and a low of 29.

Extended forecast: We'll start cooling down a bit and by New Year's Day, we'll have highs in the 20s and lows in the teens, but no major storms appear in the offing.

Meetings

MONDAY

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

History

- In 1776, George Washington's Continental Army reaches the outskirts of Trenton, New Jersey, and descends upon the unsuspecting Hessian force guarding the city to gain the first major American victory of the Revolutionary War.
- In 1908, Jack Johnson becomes the first African American to win the world heavyweight title when he knocks out Canadian Tommy Burns in the 14th round in a championship bout near Sydney, Australia.
- In 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs a bill officially establishing the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day.
- In 1944, American Gen. George S. Patton employs an audacious strategy to relieve the besieged Allied defenders of Bastogne, Belgium, during the brutal Battle of the Bulge.
- In 1946, mobster Bugsy Siegel opens the glitzy Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- In 1972, former President Harry S. Truman dies in Independence, Missouri, at the age of 88.

Birthdays

- Spanish-American War naval hero George Dewey was born in 1837.
- Chinese Communist leader Mao Zedong was born in 1893.
- American television and radio personality, comedian, musician, composer, writer, and actor Steve Allen was born in 1921.
- "Game of Thrones" actor Kit Harington turns 38.
- Legendary St. Louis Cardinals shortstop Ozzie Smith turns 70.

Corrections

- The Tribune wants to make sure all information it presents is accurate and correct.

If you see an error, please call Editor Bob Fenske at 641-394-2111.

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Bernadette Leibold, 85

Bernadette Philomena Leibold, age 85 of Lawler, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024, at Hillcrest Home in Sumner surrounded by her family.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 30, 2024, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be in the church cemetery with Reid Bramow, Aiden Bramow, Hunter Bramow, Jake Leibold, Walker Leibold and Luke Friedman serving as pallbearers.

Friends may greet the family from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton.

Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Monday at the church.

Mary Ball, 93

Mary Ball, age 93 of Fredericksburg, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 2024, at Hillcrest Living Campus in Sumner.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, 2024, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Fredericksburg with Deacon Vic DeSloover officiating.

Interment will be held in Rose Hill Cemetery, Fredericksburg.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, 2024, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Fredericksburg. Visitation continues an hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Saturday.

Thomas L. Bentley, 65

Thomas L. Bentley, age 65 of Oelwein, died Friday, Dec. 20, 2024, at his home in Oelwein.

There will be no services at this time.

Jamison-Schmitz Funeral Home of Oelwein has been entrusted with arrangements.

Property Transfers

Plantbased Innovations LLC to Walter Wendland and Janet Wendland; PARCEL 2023-20 SE 13-94-12.

Randy Clare Nordman to Julie Ann Lane and Julie Ann Nordman; NASHUA NASHUA LAKE RESORT ADDITION Lot: 29-33 Block: 5 NASHUA CEDAR HILL FIRST ADDITION Lot: 1 Block: 1.

Andrea Davis and Andrea Shekleton to Joseph Shekleton; E3/4 SE NW 02-94-13 N3/4 SW NE 02-94-13 EX PARCEL 2024-34 SE NE 02-94-13.

Zane Stice and Trinity Dzieweczynski to Wesley Cornwell; FREDERICKSBURG ORIGINAL PLAT (FB) Lot: 8 Block: 19.

Lynn E. Schwickerath, Lynn Schwickerath and Linda M. Schwickerath to Lynn E. Schwickerath and Linda M. Schwickerath; NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 16 Block: 3 NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 17 Block: 3 W28.1' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 18 Block: 3 PARCELS B & C NW NW 18-96-13 EX PARCEL A NE 13-96-14

Mary Eileen Breitbach to Mary Eileen Breitbach IRREV TR; UNDIVIDED 1/4 INTEREST PARCELS D & E 31-97-12 BEG AT SE COR EX RD ROW SE 31-97-12.

Richard K. Sowers EST and Marlene J. Sowers EX to Marlene J. Sowers; UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST FREDERICKSBURG NEWTHS ADDITION Lot: 21 Block: 7 N40' FREDERICKSBURG NEWTHS ADDITION Block: 6.

Lucas JP Heying and Lucas Heying to Eric A. Nobbs and Nobbs; NEW HAMPTON RAILROAD ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 13 NEW HAMPTON RAILROAD ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 13.

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Gene J. Nolte and Joyce M. Nolte to Nole Pond LLC; W1/2 W1/2 NW 15-94-12 PARCEL A NW SW 15-94-12 E2R NE 16-94-12.

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of Dec. 22 1949 (75 years ago)

- When you go out on Iowa highways now, you are likely to see three times as many cars as you did five years ago. Traffic is 10 percent higher than in 1948, 28 percent above 1941, the last pre-war year, and up nearly 250 percent from the wartime low in 1944 when gasoline rationing was still in effect.

A person standing on the shoulder of an Iowa highway at an “average spot” would have seen 2,524 cars pass in 24 hours in September.

- The New Hampton Chicks got back on the winning road with a 54-36 victory over the West Union Bombers Tuesday night on the New Hampton court. Coach Jack Wishmeir’s Chicks were hotter than a fire shooting an amazing 51 percent from the field.

Jimmy Lynch and Kenny Blietz were the big men in the New Hampton attack. Lynch hit 19 points and Blietz pumped in 16 markers. This brought their record for the season to seven wins in eight games.

1974 (50 years ago)

- A New Hampton businessman received a nice surprise last week, when a customer returned to his store with a “complaint.”

Don Settles, of the Coast-to-Coast

Store spoke to the customer and learned that he had been undercharged \$10 on his purchases in the store and wanted to pay the difference and make it right, which he did.

- Waldorf College in Forest City is the top junior college football team in the country defensively. Tom Ball, a New Hampton High School graduate, is an all-conference linebacker in the Iowa Junior College Conference. Another New Hampton-area defensive starter for the Warriors was Dennis Litterer, a Nashua High grad, who worked at a defensive back for Waldorf.

Waldorf averaged 140.3 yards per game in 10 games, more than 10 yards ahead of runnerup Hutchinson, Kansas, Junior College at 150.7.

1999 (25 years ago)

- Those chimes you are hearing now are coming from the First Baptist Church, Highway 63 south, in New Hampton. A state-of-the-art carillon chime system has been recently installed at the church. The chimes will play hourly seven days a week. They will sound for a longer time during the noon hour.

The system was donated to the church and the New Hampton community by Orville Smith and his family as a memorial to their wife and mother, Leona. They were members of the First

Baptist Church from 1977-1987. It was dedicated during the Sunday, Dec. 19 service at the church.

- Ron Diddy, President of First National Bank, presented each member of the 1999 state champion football team, managers and coaches a video of the four playoff games of tournament play in which the team participated.

“The individuals that worked so hard to attain this honor will have the opportunity to view themselves, hopefully, they will enjoy this as much as the community did. They have not only made their school proud, but this particular time in history of New Hampton the “Good News” of local achievement was greatly appreciated by all.”

2014 (10 years ago)

- The New Hampton Treasure Chest held its grand re-opening and ribbon cutting of the expansion project that began this past summer with Comprehensive System officials, New Hampton business owners and residents attending.

Peg Testroet, the day habilitation manager at the facility, and Lisa Ward, Comprehensive Systems’ vocational manager, said the building is much brighter and more accessible to customers with bigger isles and more room to display goods.

- The New Hampton Public Library

hosted actor Duffy Hudson who presented “A Christmas Carol” at the New Hampton Community Center. The timeless story of Ebenezer Scrooge was brought to life by Hudson in his acclaimed one-man show.

Over 75 minutes, without props or costumes, playing all 36 characters, he performed the classic story of love, forgiveness and redemption. Hudson is currently doing a tour of Iowa this Christmas season.

2019 (5 years ago)

- Not only is this year’s Little Light of Mine bigger, brighter and better than before, last Friday marked the first year the event brought people in from near and far to visit with Santa and see a reindeer. A highlight came with a large fireworks display.

Lisa Pool said it had a little “Hallmarkish” to it and they couldn’t asked for more, it was perfect.

- A former Chickasaw athlete, Perry Laures, was inducted into the Waldorf Athletic Hall of Fame. Laures played defensive end for the Warriors in 1982 and 1983, receiving honorable mention All-American honors. He was also the Waldorf homecoming king in 1983.

The 1984 graduate of Waldorf continued his collegiate playing career at Iowa State where he earned a business degree in business and marketing.



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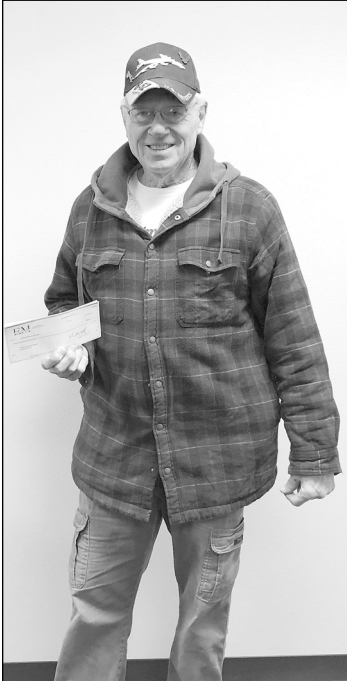
Newspapers donate to veterans groups

The New Hampton Tribune and Nashua Reporter recently made donations from the proceeds of the newspapers’ annual Veterans Day Commemorative Edition to three veterans groups.

New Hampton American Legion Auxiliary No. 38 members (above, from left to right) Hermina Amoroso, Joanne Kutzbach and Edna Stiefel accepted a check for \$350. The Auxiliary will use the funds to continue its \$100 donation to the Marshalltown Veterans Home for activities. The group also buys food gift certificates and gifts for veterans during the holiday season. Auxiliary members also send Christmas cards to all the veterans and their wives.

Fredericksburg Amvets member Ralph Schultz (below left) accepted a check for \$300, which he said will used for the upkeep and adding a couple of statues to their veterans memorial that opened in 1996. Those who want to donate to the memorial for its upkeep and renovations can send checks to 101 Russell Street, Fredericksburg, IA 50630.

Lawler American Legion Auxiliary No. 279 members (below right) Diana Scott and Tanya Scott accepted a check for \$350 and Scott said the main purpose of the organization is to support veterans. Recently, the unit donated money to purchase blanket warmers and gift cards for residents at the Iowa Veteran’s Home in Marshalltown. The group also made a donation to the Lawler Lions Club’s “sign project” in support of the community. And the unit sponsors a high school to attend Girls State in Des Moines and donated to the Merit Award Scholarship Fund.



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Chickasaw girls coach has no issue with team's effort

NH GIRLS: FROM 12

in the second half, the Chickasaws closed the gap to four with a 6-0 run that was capped by an old-fashioned three-point play from Jordan Thronndson.

But Crestwood took control of the game with a strong third quarter, outscoring New Hampton 16-9 to take a 52-41 lead into the final quarter.

“We probably ran three different defenses against them, saw different stuff,” Leichtman said. “Our girls do a good job of, you know, trying to work that out. ... They fight hard. If you watch our girls, I mean effort is not an issue.”

Ava Leichtman led the Chickasaws with 20 points, but she was the lone New Hampton player in double figures. Thronndson finished the night with seven points and six rebounds.

The loss to Crestwood was an improvement from the game at Grundy Center, when New Hampton fell behind 21-3 after a quarter play and saw the Spartans take a 59-22 lead into the final quarter.

“I know that score looked ugly,” coach Leichtman said, “but at the same time, the effort was there. It's easy to roll over and give up, but our girls, they're not like that. They play hard to final whistle.”

His daughter led the way against the Spartans with 15 points and six rebounds.

New Hampton won't play again until a week from Friday, when the Chickasaws travel to Sumner-Fredericksburg to kick off the 2025 portion of its season.

“Because of the season and how long it is and you're going into mid-February and you'll hopefully want to be playing in

March, it's good for these kids,” Leichtman said of the holiday break. “They just had semester tests. It's nice to keep playing, but on the other hand, it's time for these kids to be out of school — to get some family time, get some fresh air and be themselves. ... We're going to have a lot games in the second half, and we can hit the reset and be ready for them.”

GRUNDY CENTER 61, NEW HAMPTON 40

NH	3	11	8	18	-	40
GC	21	18	20	2	-	61
Ava Leichtman 4-11 4-6 15, Jordan Thronndson 0-3 1-2 1, Cora Schwickerath 3-8 0-0 8, Jackie Pickar 3-4 1-3 7, Chloe Weigel 2-5 0-2 5, Jersey Pemble 0-0 0-0 0, Tegan Dungey 0-0 0-0 0, Kayme Hackman 1-1 0-0 2, Caycee Crawford 0-2 2-2 2, Aleigha Cahoy 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 13-35 8-15 40.						
3-point field goals - Leichtman 3-7, Schwickerath 2-2, Weigel 1-4, Thronndson 0-1, Pickar 0-1.						
Rebounds - Leichtman 6,						

2-15 3-4 9, Ewert 4-11 8-9 17, Willadsen 0-0 0-0 0, R. Rausch 2-7 1-2 7, Carter 3-6 5-6 12, K. Rausch 1-3 1-2 4, Laures 1-5 3-4 5, Bundy 4-6 0-0 12, McDonald 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 17-59 23-31 68.

3-point field goals - Bundy 4-6, R. Rausch 2-6, Rochford 2-6, K. Rausch 1-1, Carter 1-3, Ewert 1-5, Schwickerath 0-2, Laures 0-3.

Rebounds - Laures 6, Rochford 5, Bundy 3, K. Rausch 3, Carter 2, Ewert 2, R. Rausch 2.

Assists - Rochford 3, Ewert 2, Laures 2, R. Rausch 1, K. Rausch 1, Carter 1.

Steals - Laures 2, Ewert 1, Rochford 1, Schwickerath 1.

Blocks - Carter 1, Rochford 1, Laures 1.

INDEPENDENCE 69, NEW HAMPTON 43

NH	8	14	9	12	-	43
Indee	17	20	20	12	-	69
Schwickerath 2-3 0-0 4, Rochford 2-4 3-4 8, Ewert 2-7 3-4 7, Bundy 1-4 2-3 5, R. Rausch 3-7 1-2 9, Carter 2-3 3-4 8, Kinnick Wisner 0-2 0-0 0, K. Rausch 0-5 0-0 0, Laures 1-3 0-0 2, Trenton Horner 0-1 0-0 0, Dylon Schmitt 0-1 0-0 0, McDonald 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 13-40 12-17 43.						
3-point field goals - R. Rausch 2-6, Carter 1-1, Rochford 1-2, Bundy 1-4, Wisner 0-1, Horner 0-1, Schmitt 0-1, Ewert 0-2, K. Rausch 0-3.						
Rebounds - Rochford 5, Carter 3, R. Rausch 2, Laures 2, Ewert 1, Bundy 1.						
Assists - Carter 3, Ewert 2, Schwickerath 1, R. Rausch 1, Laures 1.						
Steals - Carter 3, Schwickerath 2, R. Rausch 2, Wisner 2, Laures 1, Schmitt 1.						
Blocks - Laures 4, McDonald 1.						

CHARLES CITY 80, NEW HAMPTON 68

NH	12	22	17	17	-	68
CC	18	19	20	23	-	80
Jake Schwickerath 0-2 0-0 0, Caden Rochford 7-17 6-6 22, Adam Ewert 4-14 5-6 13, Ryan Willadsen 1-3 0-0 2, Reid Rausch 3-5 0-0 8, Ethan Carter 3-6 4-6 10, Kye Rausch 0-0 0-0 0, Carson Laures 3-6 0-0 6, Braxton Bundy 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 23-58 17-20 68.						
3-point field goals - R. Rausch 2-4, Rochford 2-8, Bundy 1-3, Laures 0-1, Carter 0-1, Ewert 0-5.						
Rebounds - Willadsen 5, R. Rausch 5, Rochford 4, Ewert 3, K. Rausch 3, Carter 2, Laures 2, Bundy 2.						
Assists - Carter 4, R. Rausch 2, Ewert 2, Bundy 2, Schwickerath 2.						
Steals - Laures 1, K. Rausch 1, R. Rausch 1, Willadsen 1, Schwickerath 1.						
Blocks - Ewert 1, R. Rausch 1, Laures 1.						

CRESTWOOD 73, NEW HAMPTON 67

Crest	14	17	20	22	-	73
NH	11	11	12	34	-	68
Schwickerath 0-6 2-4 2, Rochford						



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New Hampton freshman Carson Laures is fouled as he puts up a shot against Crestwood Friday.

Thronndson 4, Pickar 4, Schwickerath 3, Weigel 2, Hackman 2, Cahoy 2, Crawford 1.

Assists - Schwickerath 3, Leichtman 2, Weigel 2, Pickar 1, Crawford 1.

Steals - Leichtman 2, Hackman 2, Thronndson 1, Pickar 1, Dungey 1.

Blocks - Schwickerath 1.

CRESTWOOD 65, NEW HAMPTON 62

Crest	17	19	16	13	-	65
NH	16	16	9	11	-	52
Leichtman 7-16 2-5 20, Thronndson 3-5 1-1 7, Schwickerath 1-5 1-2 4, Pickar 3-6 0-0 6, Weigel 1-8 3-4 6, Dungey 0-0 0-0 0, Hackman 2-5 1-4 5, Crawford 2-3 0-0 4, Cahoy 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-48 8-16 52.						
3-point field goals - Leichtman 4-9, Schwickerath 1-3, Weigel 1-7, Pickar 0-1.						
Rebounds - Weigel 6, Thronndson 6, Schwickerath 5, Leichtman 4, Pickar 2, Crawford 2, Cahoy 1, Hackman 1.						
Assists - Schwickerath 5, Weigel 3, Pickar 2, Thronndson 1.						
Steals - Schwickerath 2, Leichtman 2, Thronndson 1, Pickar 1, Hackman 1.						

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA, IN AND FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY
IN THE INTEREST OF
A.L.
A Child.
JUVENILE NO. JVVJ000923
ORIGINAL NOTICE

TO: Augustine Lopez
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above Court, a Petition in the above-entitled action, which prays the child in interest, be found to be a child in need of assistance. The Petitioner is the State of Iowa whose attorney is David Laudner and whose address is 516 South Linn Avenue, PO Box 189, New Hampton, IA 50659.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that an adjudicatory hearing to determine whether the child in interest is a child in need of assistance as alleged in the Petition pursuant to Iowa Code 232.96 shall be held before the Juvenile Court on the 6th day of January, 2025 at 1:30 o'clock P.M. in the Courtroom of the Chickasaw County Courthouse in New Hampton, Iowa.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that a parent, guardian or custodian in a child in need of assistance proceeding has the right to be represented by counsel at all hearings subsequent to the filing of a Petition. If you wish to privately retain counsel, you should immediately notify the attorney of these proceedings. If you desire representation but you cannot afford to hire and attorney, you should immediately contact the Clerk of the above-named Court and request from and file with the Clerk an Application for Appointment of Counsel and Financial Statement. If you are determined to be indigent, the Court may appoint counsel for you at minimal or no cost to you.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that upon your request, the Clerk shall issue subpoenas requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of papers at the adjudicatory hearing.

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New Hampton guard puts up a 3-point shot during the Chickasaws game against Crestwood on Friday.

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After record-setting night on the lanes, Chickasaw head to break

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them do what they did last night,” said Aries.

Aries talked about witnessing his team’s historic performance with his own two eyes.

“It was even better in person,” said Aries.

NH senior Landon Marr bowled the game of his life thus far in his alley career with a school record series toss of 511 – which bested the previous high series mark of 495 set by senior Jamison Porath earlier in the year.

Aries helped Marr – a standout pitcher for Cory McDonald’s defending state runner-up baseball team this past summer – fine-tune his game and the results paid off big time. So much so that Marr almost broke the school record high game of 278 that was set in the Waukon match last week by senior Kody Kleen. Marr rolled 276 in his second game after a stout 235 in his opening 10 frames.

“We’ve been working on some things with him to get him in a better pace as far as his approach and his arm swing. We’ve also been working on getting him to slow the ball down just a little bit so we can get the ball to read the lane correctly,” said Aries.

“The work that he’s been putting in as far as doing that obviously showed at this meet.”

New Hampton had three bowlers roll over 470 as junior Jaxson Porath collected a 482 and his older brother Jamison finished off his impressive individual round with a 473.

“He bowled outstanding. He’s actually scored very well there,” said Aries about Jaxson’s numbers at Crystal Bowl.

NH sophomore Charlie Kriener

wound up with a 446 and rolled a lights-out 258 in his second game. Chickasaw senior Gabe Macon tallied a 408 and Kleen hit the lanes with a cumulative individual total of 408.

In four meets New Hampton has never had the same person be the low man out score (individual round one total is comprised of the top five bowlers out of the six that are allowed to compete on the varsity level).

“They’re definitely picking up each other at the right times and running with it as they go,” said Aries.

Is there a ceiling to just how great New Hampton can be this season?

We’ll find out after Christmas break as New Hampton hosts three home meets in a row, starting with a date at Bowlaway Lanes on Tuesday, Jan. 7 versus West Delaware.

“I don’t think words can describe how high they can go,” said Aries.

Aries also reminded his bowlers to remain grounded and keep grinding away despite having so much success so early on in 2024-2025.

“As far as putting the cart in front of the horse, we still need to take it one meet at a time,” said Aries. “Anybody can have a good meet – anybody can have a bad meet. It’s just a matter of them now still staying the course, doing what we’re doing and just keep working hard like they have been.”

The other school record broken by New Hampton last Thursday in Grundy Center was the individual total of 2,320 before the baker round starts. That was 243 pins higher compared to last week’s 2,077 – which was the old all-time best achievement at New Hampton.

The New Hampton girls rolled a 1,243 to Grundy Center’s 1,590.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton’s Kassidy Meyerhoff gets set to release her ball during a meet against Waukon earlier this month.

Chickasaw freshman Vanessa Snyder (232 series) and sophomore Kassidy Meyerhoff (228) were the top rollers for New Hampton. Snyder posted the top game with a 232.

Aries said senior Zoey Dreckman did not compete in the meet.

“I think that they bowled great for the fact that they only had four,” said Aries. “It’s still very impressive in what they’re doing.”

The New Hampton boys are 3-1 overall and 1-0 in conference play while the Chickasaw girls are now 1-3 with an 0-1

league mark.

NH BOYS 3,352, GRUNDY CENTER 2,813
Medalist - Landon Marr, New Hampton 235-276-511.

New Hampton scores - Marr 235-276-511, Jaxson Porath 237-245-482, Jamison Porath 236-237-473, Charlie Kriener 188-258-446, Gabe Macon 217-191-408, Kody Kleen 209-168-377.

GRUNDY CENTER 1,590, NH GIRLS 1,243
Medalist - Abigail Butler, Grundy Center 88-162-250.

New Hampton scores - Vanessa Snyder 103-129-232, Kassidy Meyerhoff 102-126-228, McKenzie Herzberg 102-116-218, Sophia Rivera 99-80-179.

NH/TV's Cajthaml, Bucknell both go 6-0 at the Battle of Waterloo

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daunting because after wrestling in a Tuesday quadrangular at Nashua, the Chickasaws were scheduled to take on Crestwood on Thursday but that meet was called off because of the weather.

The next morning, NH/TV headed to Waterloo and received a rude awakening in the so-called Al Frost Bracket – falling to Ankeny 68-11, Cedar Rapids Prairie 51-24 and Cedar Falls 58-18.

It was a, in a word, nightmare for every Chickasaw wrestler not named Carter Cajthaml or Jayden Bucknell. Those two won all three of their matches on Friday; the rest of the Chickasaws went a combined 3-24.

“It’s disappointing whenever you lose,” Paulus said, “but considering who we had available, we knew it was going to be a tough day. We were in a tough bracket, we’re giving up three weights [for forfeits] and it’s just what it is right now.”

NH/TV, though, regrouped somewhat for their final day of wrestling in 2024.

“We talked a lot about the little wins we could get – the take-down here, the escape there, stuff like that,” Paulus said. “When you’re as green as we are, the wins aren’t always getting your hand raised. I thought we came back better – granted, we wanted to win all three but yeah, I think we improved and that’s what mattered.”

The Chickasaws opened the eighth-place pool with a 48-15 win over Charles City as NH/TV took advantage of four forfeits, got pins from Cajthaml (138), Bucknell (144), Mason Nelson (157) and Jarrin Robinson (190).

NH/TV then rolled to a 65-6 win over Waterloo Columbus as Xander Meyerhoff (126), Braiden Schaufenbuel (132), Bucknell (144), Tate Schwickerath (150), Nelson (157), Cade Carpenter (165) and Caleb Utley (175) all got pins while Cajthaml picked up a technical fall at 138.

But the magic ran out against Waterloo West in the pool’s de facto title dual.

NH/TV jumped out to a 23-6 lead strengths to pins from Ty Moudry, Schaufenbuel and Bucknell and Cajthaml’s team-leading technical fall and a Carpenter pin at 165 and a forfeit to Utley at 175 gave the Chickasaws a 35-17 lead.

The Wahawks, though, reeled off five straight wins – the final two coming on forfeits – to rally for the win.

Both Cajthaml and Bucknell had perfect tournaments as Cajthaml, ranked 11th by IAWrestle at 138, improved to 22-3 and the 12th-ranked Bucknell ran his mark to 21-5.

Now, it’s time to get healthy.

Kuehner has yet to get on the mat this year as he continues to recover from an ankle injury, but he should be back on the mat early in 2025. Paulus believes Kuehner’s return will give the Chickasaws a strong nucleus that would include Cajthaml, Bucknell, Kuehner and Shekleton, who is 14-1 at 150.

“Those are leadership guys,” Paulus said. “I’ve said it all along, we knew we might take our lumps and we have, but the whole point of December was to improve and hopefully we’ve done that and will be a different team in January.”

NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 52, NH/TV 20

144: Jayden Bucknell (NHTV) maj. dec. Tate Germann, 12-2. 150: Jax Shekleton (NHTV) maj. dec. Logan Boehm, 16-7. 157: Mason Nelson (NHTV) dec. Brady Frieden, 13-11. 165: Keagan Schultz (NFV) maj. dec. Cade Carpenter, 11-3. 175: Cashton Kottman (NFV) pinned Caleb Utley, 2:25. 190: Kenny Kerr (NFV) pinned Dylan Maloy, 1:15. 215: Emmanuel Hernandez (NFV) pinned LJ Robinson, 1:36.

285: Layne Kleppe (NFV) pinned Chase Gebel, 0:26. 106: Jayden Cline (NFV) won by forfeit. 113: Henry Bechthold (NFV) won by forfeit. 120: Elmer Trinidad (NFV) won by forfeit. 126: Ty Moudry (NHTV) pinned Kade Meyer, 1:58. 132: Cain Rodgers (NFV) pinned Xander Meyerhoff, 0:28. 138: Carter Cajthaml (NHTV) dec. Jaxson Lundgren, 10-3.

NH/TV 41, JANESVILLE 28

150: Shekleton (NHTV) won by forfeit. 157: Chase Forey (J) pinned Nelson, 0:18. 165: Parker Opperman (J) maj. dec. Carpenter, 12-3. 175: Utley (NHTV) won by forfeit. 190: Jayden Butler (J) pinned Maloy, 3:55. 215: Logan Lashbrook (J) pinned Robinson, 285: Gebel (NHTV) won by forfeit.

106: Double Forfeit 113: Double Forfeit 120: Tayler Kibbee (J) won by forfeit. 126: Moudry (NHTV) pinned Gauge Tenborg, 0:24. 132: Meyerhoff (NHTV) won by forfeit. 138: Cajthaml (NHTV) pinned Deegan Fitzgerald, 0:53. 144: Bucknell (NHTV) tech fall Blayne Porter, 18-3.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 71, NH/TV 11

157: Devon Blanchard (NP) pinned Nelson, 1:15. 165: Jackson Carey (NP) tech fall Carpenter, 15-0. 175: Aiden Gelner (NP) pinned Utley, 2:27. 190: Maverick Dietz-McDonald (NP) pinned Maloy, 1:36. 215: Jaxon McDonald (NP) pinned Robinson, 0:17. 285: Isaac Jones (NP) pinned Gebel, 0:25. 106: Lincoln Huck (NP) won by forfeit.

113: Jagger White (NP) won by forfeit. 120: Nic Brase (NP) won by forfeit. 126: Kolbie Vance (NP) pinned Moudry, 2:53. 132: Jayden Rinken (NP) pinned Meyerhoff, 1:30. 138: Cajthaml (NHTV) tech fall Luke Zwanziger, 21-5. 144: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Lucas Sinnwell, 3:06. 150: Wyatt Bearman (NP) won by forfeit.

ANKENY 68, NH/TV 11

190: Ryleigh Egeberg (A) tech fall Jarrin Robinson, 17-2. 215: Andrew Haase (A) pinned Roy Barron, 1:53. 285: Jack Dorfier (A) pinned Gebel, 0:41. 106: Eddie Salgado (A) won by forfeit. 113: Benjamin Walsh (A) won by forfeit. 120: Hayden Fontana (A) won by forfeit. 126: Truman Folkers (A) tech fall Moudry, 19-3.

132: Calvin Rathjen (A) tech fall Braiden Schaufenbuel, 16-1. 138:



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New Hampton/Turkey Valley’s Cade Carpenter (above) is on the hunt for back points while teammate Xander Meyerhoff (below) works to not give up a takedown in last week’s quadrangular at Nashua.



Cajthaml (NHTV) tech fall Harrison Folkers, 21-5. 144: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Brady Claeyes, 3:04. 150: Andrew Rouh (A) pinned Tate Schwickerath, 1:36. 157: Kash Johnson (A) pinned Nelson, 2:23. 165: Cameron Andersen (A) pinned Carpenter, 0:31. 175: Jacob Schlee (A) tech fall Utley, 25-5.

CEDAR RAPIDS PRAIRIE 51, NH/TV 24

215: Conner Bistricky (CRP) dec. Barron, 4-3. 285: Romeo Klein (CRP) pinned Kyson Kielman, 3:04. 106: Chase Watkinson (CRP) won by forfeit. 113: Dylan Munson (CRP) won by forfeit. 120: Ethan McManus (CRP) won by forfeit. 126: Moudry (NHTV) pinned Brantley Jones, 2:34. 132: Teagan Kendall (CRP) dec. Schaufenbuel, 7-0.

138: Cajthaml (NHTV) pinned Keagan Blair, 1:31. 144: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Cohen Yossi, 1:44. 150: Garan Hynek (CRP) maj. dec. Schwickerath, 14-1. 157: Owen Langhurst (CRP) tech fall Nelson, 23-5. 165: Carpenter (NHTV) pinned Hunter Linnell, 4:41. 175: Louden Bloxham (CRP) pinned Robinson, 0:19. 190: Quinton Alexander (CRP) pinned Utley, 0:32.

CEDAR FALLS 58, NH/TV 18

285: Ian Reilly (CF) dec. Kielman, 2-0. 106: Chase Miller (CF) won by forfeit. 113: Nolan Schaul (CF) won by forfeit. 120: Caiden Lounsberry (CF)

won by forfeit. 126: Evan Simpson (CF) pinned Moudry, 3:35. 132: Dyshon Bruce (CF) pinned Meyerhoff, 1:37. 138: Cajthaml (NHTV) pinned Eric Malaise, 1:58.

144: Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Jeremiah Tamayo, 3:43. 150: Ayden Williams (CF) maj. dec. Schwickerath, 23-9. 157: Ben Backes (CF) pinned Nelson, 1:51. 165: Levi Mayfield (CF) pinned Carpenter, 1:48. 175: Kael Moore (CF) pinned Utley, 3:03. 190: Maddox Wilkinson (CF) dec. Robinson, 7-2. 215: Barron (NHTV) pinned Andrew Harrington, 2:00.

NH/TV 48, CHARLES CITY 15

106 - Double Forfeit. 113 - Double Forfeit. 120 - Double Forfeit. 126 - Carter Haberkorn (CC) dec. Moudry, 7-4. 132 - Meyerhoff (NHTV) won by forfeit. 138 - Cajthaml (NHTV) pinned Connor Jenkins, 2:19. 144 - Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Peyton Sargent, 0:55.

150 - Schwickerath (NHTV) won by forfeit. 157 - Nelson (NHTV) pinned Peyton O’Dell, 1:33. 165 - Carpenter (NHTV) won by forfeit. 175 - Micah Thompson (CC) pinned Utley, 5:48. 190 - Robinson (NHTV) pinned Carson Linde, 1:40. 215 - Barron (NHTV) won by forfeit. 285 - Jackson Warnke (CC) pinned Kielman, 1:42.

NH/TV 65, WATERLOO COLUMBUS 66

113 - Double Forfeit. 120 - Joe Hackett (WC) won by forfeit. 126 - Meyerhoff (NHTV) pinned Pau

Phuawng, 0:49. 132 - Schaufenbuel (NHTV) pinned Juan Negrete, 0:31. 138 - Cajthaml (NHTV) tech fall Calvin Smith, 18-1. 144 - Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Will Linck, 1:33. 150 - Schwickerath (NHTV) pinned Brady Schuman, 2:17.

157 - Nelson (NHTV) pinned Gage Gelner, 0:54. 165 - Carpenter (NHTV) pinned Ethan Harper, 0:26. 175 - Utley (NHTV) pinned Carlos Carbajai, 1:24. 190 - Robinson (NHTV) won by forfeit. 215 - Barron (NHTV) won by forfeit. 285 - Gebel (NHTV) won by forfeit. 106 - Double Forfeit.

WATERLOO WEST 42, NH/TV 35

120 - Sylvester Kotoe (WW) won by forfeit. 126 - Moudry (NHTV) pinned Dane Hertel, 0:40. 132 - Schaufenbuel (NHTV) pinned Cole Dean, 1:19. 138 - Cajthaml (NHTV) tech fall Luke Lindaman, 17-2. 144 - Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Payton Kacher, 3:49. 150 - Ryan Lindaman (WW) pinned Schwickerath, 1:16. 157 - Brady Dean (WW) tech fall Nelson, 18-0.

165 - Carpenter (NHTV) pinned Isaiah Shepard, 3:45. 175 - Utley (NHTV) won by forfeit. 190 - Perignon Holmes (WW) maj. dec. Robinson, 20-10. 215 - Melakhi Hickey (WW) pinned Barron, 5:07. 285 - Elijah Elliott (WW) dec. Kielman, 4-2. 106 - Cooper Dean (WW) won by forfeit. 113 - James Knight (WW) won by forfeit.

Turkey Valley coach likes his team’s pace of play

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periods of play – 35-17.

The stats Izer liked, but it’s the pace with which his team played at that he really loved.

“More important than any of this, is it’s the fastest we have played and that is what we’ve been looking for,” said Izer.

TV – which started out the season 0-3 – will need to run-and-gun this winter as it doesn’t want to get in a battle with taller teams in a half-court set as the Trojans are undersized.

“We started preaching that in the middle of the summer. We are going to have to steal some points. We’ve got to push the ball, because if we go half court, half court with over half the teams in our conference – we’re at a big disadvantage,” said Izer.

TV’s game with Clarksville at home last week Thursday was postponed because of inclement weather and moved to the first game slated after the holiday break on Thursday, Jan. 2.

TURKEY VALLEY 62, CLAYTON RIDGE 36

CR 9 10 7 10 - 36
TV 14 13 14 21 - 62

Logan Busta 7-16 2-3 18, J.D. Kruse 2-18 11-15 16, Alex Hanson 1-1 0-0 3, Jayden Rausch 1-2 1-2 4, Tucker Reicks 0-0 0-0 0, Cale Langreck 4-9 0-0 10, Kaden Schmidt 0-0 0-0 0, Treyton Franzen 0-4 1-2 1, Jonah Orvis 0-0 0-0 0, Jordan Kriener 4-7 2-2 10. Totals 19-57 17-24 62.

3-point field goals - Busta 2-6, Langreck 2-3, Kruse 1-7, Hanson 1-1, Rausch 1-2, Franzen 0-1.

Rebounds - Kruse 17, Kriener 16, Busta 8, Langreck 4, Franzen 4, Rausch 1.

Assists - Busta 3, Kruse 2, Kriener 2, Langreck 2, Reicks 1.

Steals - Busta 2, Kruse 2, Langreck 1.

BOWLING

COFFEE CUP

STANDINGS	W	L
Mid-Tech Services	38	18
Vern Laures Auto	35.5	20.5
Geerts Plumbing	28	28
Hugeback-Johnson	23.5	32.5
Dak’s Tap	23	33
Rochford Insurance	20	36

DEC. 18 RESULTS WEEK 14
Mid-Tech Services 3, Rochford Insurance 1

Vern Laures Auto 3, Dak’s Tap 1

Geerts Plumbing 4, Hugeback-Johnson 0

LEADERS

High individual games:

Rita Geerts 226, Diane Nehl 222, 201.

High individual series:

Nehl 615, Linda Lechtenberg 565, Kristy Kirkus 550, Geerts 529.

High team games: Geerts

Plumbing 480, Mid-Tech Services 460, Vern Laures Auto Center 437.

High team series: Geerts

Plumbing 1,307, Mid-Tech Services 1,288, Vern Laures Auto 1,244.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

Rita Geerts 59, Jeanne Roder 47.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)

Linda Lechtenberg 79, Roder 75.

Karen Schmitt, Secretary

CHICKASAW Women’s Pool

Week 11 Dec. 18

	W	L	GB
Dak’s Tap I	57	42	0
Bowlaway Lanes	55	44	2
Kenny’s Tavern I	55	44	2
Kenny’s Tavern II	54	45	3
NH Country Club	52	47	5
Hide A Way	50	49	7
The Office	38	61	19
Dak’s Tap II	35	64	22

RESULTS

Kenny’s Tavern I - 7,

Dak’s Tap II - 2

NH Country Club - 5,

Dak’s Tap I - 4

Hide A Way - 5 Kenny’s

Tavern II - 4

Bowlaway Lanes - 9 The

Office - 0

THREE-GAME

WINNERS

Kenny’s Tavern I - Jodi

Bobenmoyer & Diane Nehl

Kenny’s Tavern II -

Michelle Rosonke & Jess

Heying

NH Country Club -

Michelle Torticill & Jaime

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NH/TV girls look to get healthy, use January to get ready for regional tournament

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currently stands at this particular juncture of the season – with a little more than a month left of the season before Xstream Arena in Coralville hosts the girls state wrestling tournament on Feb. 6 and 7.

This year will be the first season in which the now sanctioned sport has been split into two classes.

“This would be our seventh event – we’re halfway through the season. It makes sense,” said Ciavarelli about this team’s break in the action during the holiday season. “We get our break, we get healthy and we look at January as our time to get ready for our post-season.”

In the match versus NFV – the TigerHawks and Chickasaws wrestled just three times, with NFV winning two of those head-to-head matchups. Ultimately in the end, NH/TV won the dual based off of receiving more points via forfeit.

The Chickasaws received four forfeits to NFV’s two.

“It is what it is. It’s small lineups and they don’t match up,” said Ciavarelli. “You can’t bump up to nobody. You show up and you wrestle the matches you got.”

Each of those matches were competitive and demonstrated how the Chickasaws are improving in a relatively quick fashion. NH/TV had TigerHawk wrestlers in dangerous positions in two of those bouts, but



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

NH/TV’S Harper Humpal picks up back points on her way to a pin against North Fayette Valley’s Claire Koester lastweek.

could not seal the deal.

The lone NH/TV victory of the night came at 130 pounds as freshman

Harper Humpal pinned Claire Koester in 5:11.

Chickasaw freshman Addison

Neville lost by fall to Macy Rose in 4:55 at 100 pounds and fellow freshman Drey O’Brien lost by pin at 110

pounds against Brielle Starkweather in 3:46.

“All three of them were hard-fought matches that easily could have went our way. One did go our way,” said Ciavarelli.

The Chickasaws that received forfeits were sophomore Taelynn Bass (105), freshman Vanessa Salas (115), sophomore Sophie Glaser (135) and freshman Ava Trende (235).

Thordson – a state qualifier last year at 145 pounds along with Glaser – is hoping to slap on the headgear and return to the mat after break. She has been out of action over the course of the last few weeks with a knee injury.

NH/TV’s NEIC dual with Crestwood on Thursday, Dec. 19 was postponed and no makeup date has been rescheduled.

The Chickasaws are 2-2 overall in dual competition and lost its only NEIC match this season to Waukon by criteria, 43-42.

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY 30, NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 24

155 - Alexis Oakland (NFV) won by forfeit. 170 - Double forfeit. 190 - Jayla McAllen (NFV) won by forfeit. 235 - Ava Trende (NHTV) won by forfeit. 100 - Macy Rose (NFV) pinned Addison Neville, 4:55. 105 - Taelynn Bass (NHTV) won by forfeit. 110 - Brielle Starkweather (NFV) pinned Drey O’Brien, 3:46.

115 - Vanessa Salas (NHTV) won by forfeit. 120 - Double forfeit. 125 - Double forfeit. 130 - Harper Humpal (NHTV) pinned Claire Koester, 5:11. 135 - Sophie Glaser (NHTV) won by forfeit. 140 - Double forfeit. 145 - Double forfeit.

Trojans run win streak to three

Steinlage scores career-high 22 to lead Turkey Valley girls to a rout

By Kelly Terpstra
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Your first hint that Turkey Valley may vie for a league title in 2024-2025 was when Steve Hoffert’s Upper Iowa Conference squad knocked off defending champ MFLMarMac in the first week of December.

Fast forward three weeks later and the Trojan girls hoops team is right in the thick of things in the race for conference supremacy after a shellacking of Clayton Ridge at home on Friday night in Jackson Junction.

That 61-20 blowout of the Eagles in the last game of 2024 before TV went on Christmas break is a good indicator that the Trojans are here to stay – at least in terms of who is in the running for a UIC championship banner.

“This was a good way to go into break. We played really well defensively for four quarters and that will need to continue as the season progresses,” said Hoffert.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Annika Bodensteiner and Delaney Busta (34) bottle up a Postville player with a double team during a game played earlier this season.

ed the basketball as they dished out 17 assists versus just 10 turnovers.

“We played unselfish basketball offensively tonight. Seventeen assists on twenty-five made baskets is tough to defend,” said Hoffert.

The league standings are tight so far through the first third of the season as Kee High (6-1) sits atop the conference with a 6-0 mark. Turkey Valley (5-2) and MFL (5-3) are tied for second place with 5-1 conference records. Kee gave TV its only loss of the UIC so far with a 39-30 victory. The Trojans topped MFL, 45-40, on the road in Monona.

TV is on a three-game win streak and hasn’t lost since a road contest at New Hampton on Dec. 7 by a score of 57-48.

TV’s first game back from break is a home title versus league rival South Winneshiek on Friday, Jan. 3.

TURKEY VALLEY 61, CLAYTON RIDGE 20						
CR	2	6	12	0	-	20
TV	10	27	18	6	-	61
Addison Steinlage 8-17 2-3 22,						
Annika Bodensteiner 2-9 0-0 4, Layni						
Schuchhardt 1-4 0-2 2, Bella Stika						
5-5 2-2 12, Delaney Busta 1-3 0-0						
2, Hazel Nieman 0-3 0-0 0, Madalyn						
Vsetecka 0-1 0-0 0, Makinley Lutgen						
0-0 0-0 0, Ella Ives 0-0 0-2 0, Emersyn						
Hoffert 3-8 0-0 7, Kendall Kuennen						
0-0 0-0 0, Brynlee Hayek 2-2 0-0						
4, Miyah Bryne 0-3 0-0 0, Ellaney						
Bodensteiner 3-4 2-2 8. Totals 25-59						
6-11 61.						
3-point field goals - Steinlage 4-8,						
Hoffert 1-2, A. Bodensteiner 0-5,						
Schuchhardt 0-2, Nieman 0-2, Busta						
0-1, Vsetecka 0-1, Byrne 0-1.						
Rebounds - Stika 10, Busta 8,						
Steinlage 2, Schuchhardt 2, Hoffert						
2, A. Bodensteiner 1, Vsetecka 1,						
Kuennen 1, Hayek 1.						
Assists - Steinlage 6, A.						
Bodensteiner 5, Stika 4, Nieman 1,						
Hoffert 1.						
Steals - Steinlage 7, Nieman 3,						
Kuennen 3, Schuchhardt 2, Stika 2,						
Busta 2, Vsetecka 2, A. Bodensteiner						
1, Hoffert 1.						
Blocks - Busta 1.						



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Turkey Valley’s Cale Langreck drives to the basket during a game against New Hampton earlier this month.

TV boys come up with best outing of the year

Monster rebounding nights by Kruse and Kriener highlight 62-36 victory over Clayton Ridge

By Kelly Terpstra
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The Trojans cleared the boards on Friday night versus Clayton Ridge and that led to numerous second-chance points via offensive rebounds as Turkey Valley rolled to a convincing 62-36 win in the last game before the holiday break.

That led to a feel-good mood for John Izer’s TV boys hoops as they were all smiles after what the Trojan head coach called the “win of the year” thus far in 2024-2025.

“The most important thing for us going into the holidays being young in the start we’ve gotten off to ... we went into the break with a great feeling. Everybody was happy. That’s huge. No matter what kind of year you’re having, you need to go into the break happy,” said Izer.

Turkey Valley (2-4, 2-3) saw four Trojans

notch double-figure scoring in juniors Logan Busta (18) and J.D. Kruse (16), as well as sophomores Cale Langreck and Jordan Kriener, who each tallied 10 points apiece.

“We got on ‘em early. That’s the best game we’ve played,” said Izer.

Busta and Langreck splashed down two treys apiece from deep while Kruse and Kriener dominated the glass. While Kruse didn’t have the best game shooting, he came up with an unofficial total of 17 rebounds while Kriener ripped down 16 boards.

TV outscored Clayton Ridge (1-6, 1-4) by a score of 21-10 in the final stanza of play. After a halftime score of 27-19, the Trojans more than doubled up the point total of the Eagles by outplaying them on the scoreboard in the final two

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Chickasaws roll to more school records

New Hampton boys shatter team scoring mark during convincing road win over Grundy Center

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The New Hampton boys bowling squad's meteoric rise to the top of Class 1A is now a reality and in one word has been astonishing.

The big question now – only four meets into the season – is can they be stopped?

After shattering school records in the home opener earlier this year – the Chickasaws and head coach Andy Aries went above and beyond those all-time marks by obliterating them.

New Hampton is on fire after breaking numerous school records for two weeks in a row after posting a whopping 3,352 team score to best the host Spartans of Grundy Center at Crystal Bowl on Thursday. The Spartans finished a distant second, over 500 pins

back of the red-hot Chickasaws with a 2,813.

To put that New Hampton number in perspective, it's 173 pins better than the previous school record of 3,179 set on Friday, Dec. 13 at Bowlaway Lanes against Waukon. New Hampton now has the second-best pin total in all of Class 1A behind defending state champ Maquoketa.

The Cardinals average an overall team total of 3,121.5 to New Hampton's 3,048.75. Several Chickasaws also are right near the top of the individual leaderboard in the small-school class as far as teams that have posted scores on gobound.com.

Bear in mind, New Hampton is in just the third year of its program.

"It's definitely exciting watching

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New Hampton's Landon Marr gets ready to release the ball during the Chickasaws' bowling meet against Waukon.

Close, but not close enough, for Chickasaws

New Hampton's furious rally falls short in loss to Crestwood

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For a quarter plus some change Friday night, the New Hampton boys basketball team showed its coach a shooting touch he knows they have.

It wasn't enough to get a win as Crestwood held off the Chickasaws for a 73-68 Northeast Iowa Conference victory, but it provided for one heck of a riveting finish.

New Hampton, down by 17 heading into the final quarter, hit seven 3-point shots in the second half and exploded for 34 points in the fourth quarter before simply running out of time in its effort to secure its first NEIC win of the season.

"I think people saw why I'm a little frustrated because I know we can shoot the ball like that," Rausch said, "and we didn't shoot the ball in the first half. We should have won this basketball game — Cresco knows it, I know it, everybody knows it. We just have to shoot the ball better early."

The Chickasaws trailed 51-34 heading into the third quarter, but Adam Ewert, Reid Rausch and Braxton Bundy all hit 3-point shots to spark what turned into a 34-21 run that brought the Chickasaws to within four points in the game's final minute.

Still, it might have been a defensive change that was the key as New Hampton put on a press in the final quarter that seemed to get the Cadets out of sorts.

"That was good for us because sometimes I've been a little reluctant to press because our guys play so hard that you want them to still have some legs," Rausch

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New Hampton's Jordan Thronsdon is fouled by Crestwood's Lydia Williams as she puts up a shot in the first half of Friday's Northeast Iowa Conference game.

Chickasaw girls competitive but still looking for first NEIC victory

New Hampton ends break with losses to Waukon, Crestwood

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It wasn't exactly the way the New Hampton girls basketball team wanted to head into the Christmas break, but then again, it wasn't because of a lack of effort.

Three days after digging themselves an early hole in a 61-40 non-conference loss against Grundy Center, New Hampton gave Northeast Iowa Conference foe Crestwood a battle on Friday night before eventually falling 65-52 to close out the "first half" of the season with a 1-6 record that included three losses in NEIC games.

Yet, New Hampton coach David Leichtman remained upbeat following the game.

"It's an effort that everybody has got to be proud of," he said. "When you can put up 50 points a night, nine times out of 10, that's a winner."

The issue, as it has been for the Chickasaws throughout the early part of the season, was New Hampton just didn't have an answer for a taller team as Crestwood had a sizable size advantage in the lane.

The Cadets, who improved to 3-3 overall and 1-2 in NEIC play, used that height disparity in a variety of ways — not only getting easy inside buckets but also hitting wide open 3-point shots.

"That's always the fight when you have to protect the paint," Leichtman said. "That's always the thing. Some girl makes one or two [3-point shots] and then they're on. You're forced into changing up some stuff."

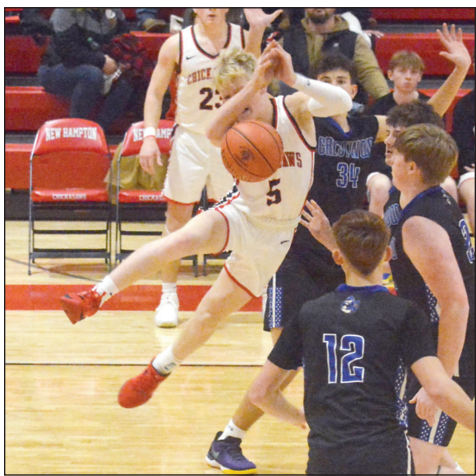
New Hampton, though, kept it close early and trailed just 17-16 at the end of the first quarter, and although Crestwood would build a 10-point lead late

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New Hampton's Braxton Bundy (above) fires up a 3-point shot while Chickasaw teammate Kye Rausch (right) is fouled as he drives the lane during the second half of Friday's game against Crestwood.



NH/TV gets pair of wins at Battle

After winless Friday, Chickasaws take second in their Saturday pool

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If New Hampton/Turkey Valley had taken the Young Arena mat this past weekend in green singlets, it would have been appropriate.

The Chickasaws, already young and lacking a lot of varsity experience, went to the annual Battle of Waterloo a shell of themselves as five starters — Dominick Reicks, Jax Shekleton, Lohen Tank, Jackson Kellogg and Emmett Kuehner — were all out of the lineup with injuries.

And it showed as the Chickasaws suffered through a winless Friday before rebounding to claim two wins on Saturday and finish second in the eighth-place pool at one of the biggest and most prestigious dual tournaments in Iowa prep wrestling.

Little wonder then that coach Matt Paulus welcomed the Christmas break with open arms.

"We can use it," the New Hampton/Turkey Valley coach said. "We're banged up, we've gone through the grind and with a young team, that's tough. Last year, when we had all those seniors, they might have been hurting, but they had been through it, they knew they had to grind through it. This year, we're so young that I think mentally, we need the break."

NH/TV's week could have been even more

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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Jayden Bucknell works to keep control of North Fayette Valley's Tate Germann during a quadrangular in Nashua last week.

Chickasaw girls pick up dual win in last match before break

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The New Hampton/Turkey Valley girls wrestling program is halfway home.

Now the most important part of the season will take place when the Chickasaws and head coach Caleb Ciavarelli hit the mat back from Christmas break in January.

That means a Jan. 2 date at the Osage Invite will loom large for a squad that will aim to reach its full potential when regionals roll around later that month in 2025.

"The biggest thing is we're not ready for regionals today and we shouldn't be. We should be constantly looking to get better and training for regionals so we're peaking at the right time," said Ciavarelli.

Ciavarelli, in his third year at NH/TV (the same number of seasons the sport of girls wrestling has been sanctioned by the state of Iowa), spoke those words in Nashua last week Tuesday at the conclusion of his team's last meet of 2024.

That was a battle against North Fayette Valley — a contest that saw the Chickasaws reel in win No. 2 on the dual season by a score of 30-24. A scheduled bout with the host Huskies was forgone as N-P had a few wrestlers that suffered injuries that evening and both head coaches decided there would be too many open weights to continue.

Ciavarelli talked about where his team

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