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Law may require lower county levy

Supervisors spend considerable amount of time discussing what could be a challenging budget

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Nothing is set in stone but in all likelihood Chickasaw County will have to lower its General Basic (GB) levy for the 2025-26 fiscal year. In its penultimate meeting of 2024 on Monday, supervisors learned that valuations in the county appear to be increasing by 3.12 percent, and that will trigger ramifications from a state law that proponents say will force counties and cities to be more watchful when it comes to taxpayer dollars. If valuations increase by more than 2.75 percent, counties are required to lower their tax-levy rate, and although Auditor Sheila Shekleton was hesitant to give out concrete numbers on Monday until she can check more data, she did say "that's a certainty there," referring to the county valuations being increased by more than 2.75 percent. Under House File 718, a law that was enacted in the spring of 2023, counties that see an increase higher than that 2.75 percent threshold, must cut the levy rate by 2 percent. Supervisor Jake Hackman said that according to his math, that means the county's GB fund will receive an increase of \$36,000 for the

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RAISE THE ROOF TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31
FUNDRAISER EVENT DINNER AT 5:00 pm
\$25 PER PERSON PRE-SALE TICKETS ONLY
Lasagna, Soup, Salad, Relish Tray, Dessert & Drink
Cards - Euchre or 500 to Follow Dinner

Chickasaw Event Center
Contact Janet at 641-394-3173 for tickets
No tickets sold at the door. All ticket Sales Final.
Proceeds go to a New Roof.
301 N. Water Ave., New Hampton

County wants to move cooler out of Heritage quickly

Supervisors don't declare 'emergency' but are asking for bids by this Monday's meeting

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

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 of 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,

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Filling the gym with beautiful music



Nashua-Plainfield band students put on two beautiful concerts last Thursday as both the Middle School and High School music departments performed their Holiday Concerts before a packed gymnasium on a cold, snowy evening. Among those performing were Nashua-Plainfield High School Jazz Band trumpet players (above) Kaden McMichael, James Corathers and Kelly Cerwinski and 7/8 Band trumpeters Alana Bright and Halle Carpenter. With the district's search continuing for a vocal music teacher, last week's concerts were strictly band affairs, but we promise that there were more than just talented trumpet players on display and we have the photo page to prove it inside this edition of the Reporter!

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

A note to our readers
If you're looking at the date on top of this edition of the Nashua Reporter, fear not: You did not sleep through Christmas. We printed this week's edition a few days early so that the folks in our press and distribution areas could have a well-deserved break for the holiday. Next week, the Reporter will be back in your mailbox on Friday, but until then, we hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
— Reporter Editor Bob Fenske

Kids decorate a plate and a mug for Santa

Nashua Library programs draw huge turnouts

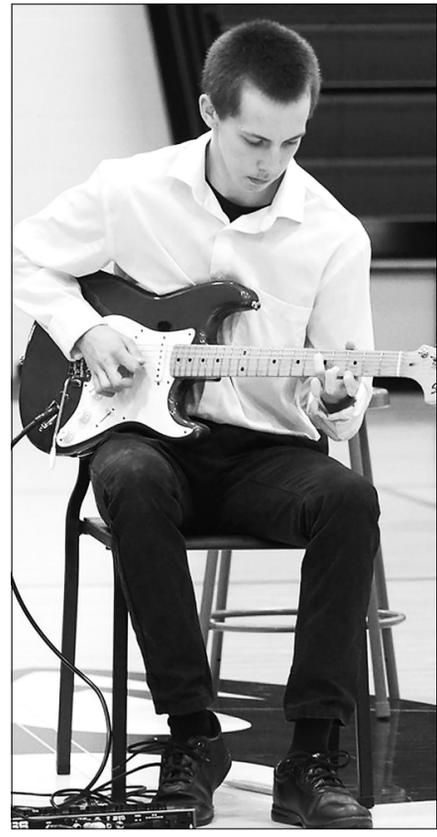
BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

They didn't necessarily make the cookies or even pour the milk on Saturday, but rest assured, the children who attended a Nashua Public Library program, took care of the dishes needed for Christmas Eve. During "Cookies and Milk for Santa," children had a chance to decorate a Santa cookie plate and mug for the jolly old fellow. "We had a fantastic turnout this morning," Library Director Heather Hackman said, "and we also had a nice turnout for our adult Christmas ornament painting workshop this past Wednesday. ... It's always nice to see so many people support our programs." And not that the kids went home on empty stomachs on

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Area children work on decorating their Santa cookie plates and mugs during a program held at the Nashua Public Library on Saturday morning.
Photo courtesy of Heather Hackman



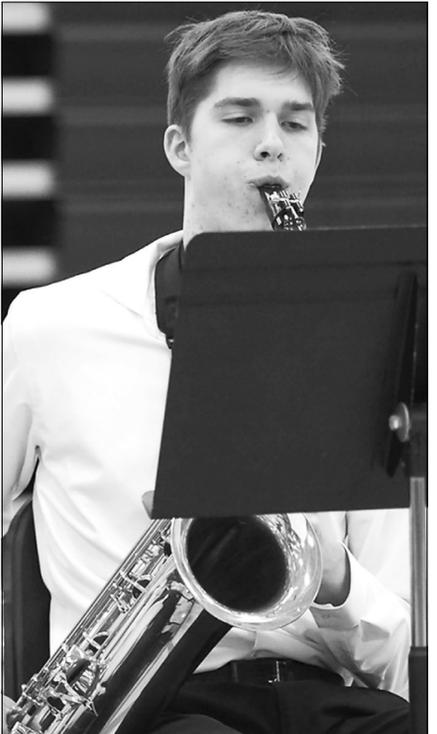
Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Madelyn Hennings performs a piano solo of "O Holy Night" while Christopher Niedert's guitar solo is a rendition of "Carol of the Bells" during the Nashua-Plainfield High School Holiday Concert last Thursday.

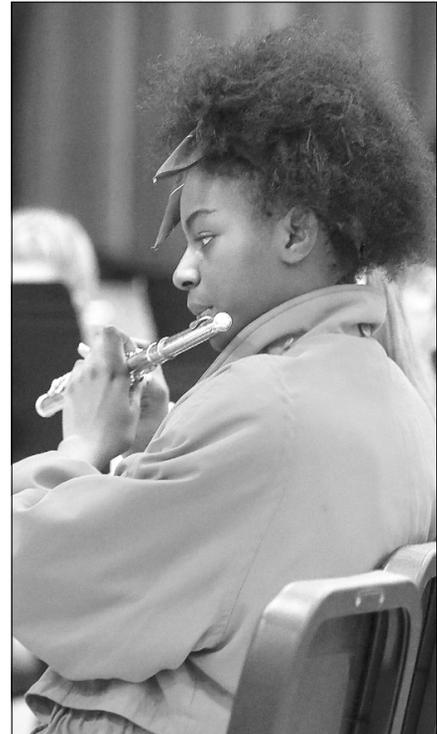
Our talented kids deliver at concerts



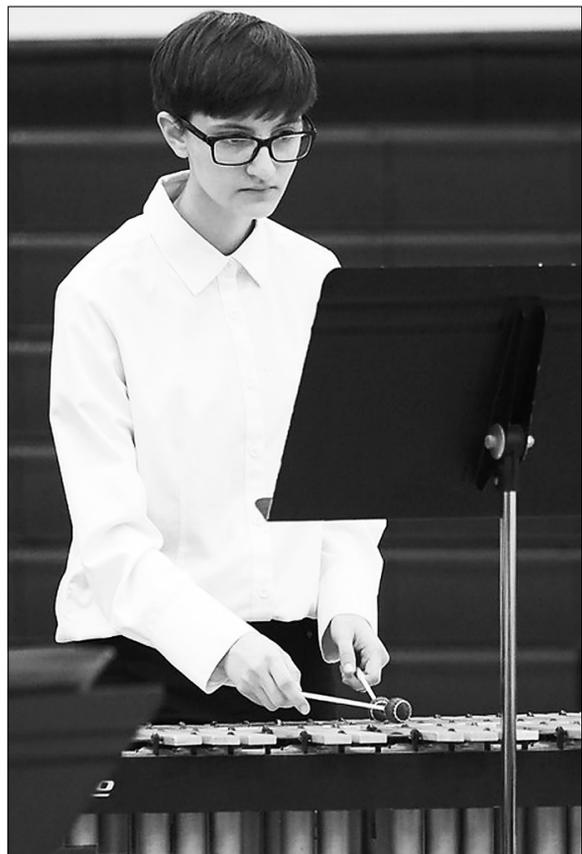
Before the high schoolers performed, middle school students take center stage as Rylie Hollister and Taylor Asche (left) play their saxophones with the 7-8 Band that also included Keira Nolan on French horn and Wyatt Burrichter (above) on the tenor sax.



Cal Levi (left) plays the saxophone with the Jazz Band while percussionists Channing Chyma and Alexis Folkerts (above) and flutist Divine Mutukiriza (right) perform with the 6th Grade Band.



Holiday Concert photos by the Reporter's Kelly Terpstra



Quentin Hector, Caden Wallin and Harper Stowe perform with the 7-8 band while Grace Dietz (right) focuses on her music as she plays the xylophone with the Jazz Band.

Thomson will chair Iowa House's Government Oversight Committee

By Bob Steenson

Committee assignments have been announced for the Iowa House of Representatives for the 91st General Assembly that will begin its 2025 session in January. Rep. Charles Thomson (R-Charles City) has been appointed to chair the Government Oversight Committee.



Thomson

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.



Photos courtesy of Heather Hackmanx Adults (above) take part in a painting class last Wednesday while a young girl (below) works on her "Santa Plate" during a program Saturday morning.

Nashua Public Library is a busy place in December

LIBRARY: FROM 1

Saturday as they also got to enjoy a sugar cookie or two and milk afterwards as a reward for doing all the decorating on their plates and mugs. Last week's programs ended a busy month at the library, which earlier in the month was home to Santa's Workshop, a Christmas in Nashua event that was put on by the Nashua

Women of Today. The facility was also home to "Christmas movies" each Wednesday and held a teen bracelet workshop. The library will be closed in observance of both the Christmas and New Year's holidays but will have its regular hours on Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week and Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday next week.

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NASHUA-PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION Regular Board Meeting December 17, 2024 Superintendent Office/Google Meet 9:30 a.m.

I. Call to Order President Pat Lentz called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Present: Cody Jensen, Lara Lawrence, Patrick Lentz. Also Present: Superintendent Jay Marley and Board Secretary Ashley Ratliff. II. Approve Agenda Motion by Lara Lawrence, second by Cody Jensen to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. III. Review and Consider Approving CEC Bid for School Safety Improvement Grant Motion by Cody Jensen, second by Lara Lawrence to approve the bids for the School Safety Improvement Grants in the amounts of \$49,612.28 for the Elementary and \$52,000 for the MS/HS. Motion carried unanimously. IV. Adjourn Lara Lawrence adjourned at 9:47 am, seconded by Cody Jensen. Motion carried unanimously. Ashley Ratliff SBO/Board Secretary Pat Lentz Board President

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NASHUA-PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION Regular Board Meeting December 9, 2024 Nashua-Plainfield JH/HS Commons 7:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order (Quorum) President Pat Lentz called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Present: Laura Folkerts, Chris Hagen, Cody Jensen, Lara Lawrence, Patrick Lentz. Also Present: Elementary Principal Shannon Wurzer, MS/HS Principal Dean Youngblut, Superintendent Jay Marley, School Board Secretary Ashley Ratliff

II. Receive Communication and Visitors (Including Board Members)

None

II. Approve Agenda Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting Motion by Chris Hagen, Second by Laura Folkerts to approve the November 11 board minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Monthly Financial Reports Motion by Chris Hagen, Second by Laura Folkerts to approve the financial reports. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Bills for Payment Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the monthly bills for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Personal Recommendations & Resignations Motion by Cody Jensen, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the early retirement applications of Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Dietz, Mrs. Lehman, Mrs. Lines, and the resignation of Athletic Director Ami Hagen. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Administrative Reports Shannon Wurzer and Dean Youngblut went over their reports with the board.

VI. Review and Consider Approving DECA Fundraiser / Elementary Penny War Motion by Chris Hagen, Second by Laura Folkerts to approve the DECA fundraiser. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Review and Information Only Baseball/Softball Complex Update No action was taken.

VIII. Review and Consider Approving Bleachers for Sports Complex Motion by Chris Hagen, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the bid from Rock Ridge Standard Bleachers in the amount of \$50,316. Motion carried un-

animously.

IX. Review and Information Only on SLFRF School Safety Improvements No motion was made.

X. Review and Consider Approving Request to SBRC Open Enrollment Funds Motion by Lara Lawrence, Second by Laura Folkerts to approve the request to the School Budget Review Committee for a modified supplemental amount of \$33,450 for open enrolled out students who were not included in the district's previous year certified enrollment count. Motion carried unanimously.

XI. Review and Consider Approving 24-25 Interagency Contract For SpEd Instruction Services with Charles City Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the Interagency Contract with Charles City. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. Review and Consider approving Disposition of Obsolete Equipment Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the disposition of the Greenhouse with a minimum bid of \$1,800 and 7 lawn mower motors with minimum bids of \$40 each. Motion carried unanimously.

XIII. Superintendent Reports Jay Marley went over his report with the board.

XIV. Adjourn Laura Folkerts adjourned at 8:33. Seconded by Chris Hagen. Motion carried unanimously.

Ashley Ratliff SBO/Board Secretary Pat Lentz Board President Nashua-Plainfield Comm. School District

BOARD VENDOR REPORT DECEMBER 2024 BOARD BILLS

Vendor Name, Vendor Description	Amount
AGVANTAGE FS INC GAS & DIESEL, FUEL	6,653.13
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC	2,379.16
ANDERSON ERICKSON DAIRY CO. MILK/DAIRY	4,108.00
ASSURED PARTNERS	168,912.00
BLICK ART MATERIALS, ART SUPPLIES	132.86
BMO CORPORATE MASTERCARD, INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	221.62
BUTLER-BREMER COMMUNICATIONS TELEPHONE/FAX/INTERNET	189.93
CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY CO, SCIENCE SUPPLIES	23.61
CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL WRESTLING ENTRY	60.00
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING INC CLEANING SUPPLIES/EQUIP	1,682.00
CENTRAL RIVERS AREA EDUCATION AGENCY, EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	224.77
CENTURY LINK, TELEPHONE/FAX	485.12
CINTAS CORP, CLEANING SERVICE	192.96
CITY OF NASHUA, WATER & SEWER	3,099.20
COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING COMPANY	40,644.91
CULVER-HAHN ELECTRIC SUPPLY, ELECTRIC SUPPLIES	1,446.22
DECKER SPORTING GOODS, ATHLETIC SUPPLIES	3,033.90
DECORAH HIGH SCHOOL, ENTRY FEE	120.00
FAIR, RYDER	155.00
FAREWAY STORES, INC., FOOD/SUPPLIES	447.16
FARMCHEM COVID SUPPLIES 14.22	
FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, LLC	11,160.27
IA ASSN OF SCHOOL BOARDS, MEMBERSHIP	500.00
IFIXIT, TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES	2,920.41
IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, TELEPHONE/FAX/INTERNET	2,303.15
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONS & APPEALS, FOOD SERVICE LICENSE	160.00
IOWA SCHOOLS EMP BENEFITS ASSN, LIFE/DISABILITY INSURANCE	1,435.64
IRONSIDE APPAREL & PROMOTIONS, INC., APPAREL	911.66
JENDRO SANITATION SERVICES, GARBAGE COLLECTION	868.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS, BUILDING EQUIPMENT/REPAIRS	601.21
LEADING EDGE, LAMINATING	151.20
LEGEL, LUCAS, ATHLETIC OFFICIAL	170.00
MARCO COPIER, LEASE PAYMENT	2,306.31
MARTIN BROS DISTRIBUTING CO, FOOD/SUPPLIES	17,656.38
MARTIN GARDNER ARCHITECTURE, ARCHITECTURAL FEES	16,970.98
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, DRUG TESTING	515.00
MICK GAGE PLUMBING & HEATING, MAINTENANCE SERVICE	300.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY, ELECTRICITY	4,726.71
MILLER, BENJAMIN, ATHLETIC OFFICIAL	80.00
NASHUA-PLAINFIELD, FOOD SERVICE	617.64
NEIBA, REGISTRATIONS	210.00

Vendor Name, Vendor Description	Amount
NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE/NASHUA REPORTER, ADVERTISEMENTS	526.21
PAN-O-GOLD BAKING NUTRITION, FOOD	728.38
PATHWAYS BEHAVIORAL SERVICES, COUNSELING SERVICES	300.00
PEDERSON PLUMBING, PLUMBING SERVICES	118.53
PERRY WRIGHT SOUND, AUDIO SERVICES	3,304.10
PETERS CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION	439,264.98
RAPID REPRODUCTIONS, INC., SUPPLIES	395.00
ROGSTAD, GABE	95.00
S & T COLLISION TRANSPORTATION REPAIRS / PURCHASES	1,327.06
SCHOLASTIC MAGAZINES, MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION	101.34
SCHOOL SPECIALTY, INC., INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	193.22
SCHUETH ACE HARDWARE, GENERAL/MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	74.21
SHIFFLER EQUIPMENT SALES INC, MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	1,143.36
SILBER, LYNN	886.41
SU INSURANCE COMPANY, EQUIPMENT BREAKDOWN INSURANCE	17,804.25
T & K TRACTOR REPAIR, TRANSPORTATION REPAIRS	8,209.25
TAYLOR PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATES, MEDICAL/PURCHASED SERVICES	350.00
TIMBERLINE BILLING SERVICE LLC, MEDICAID BILLING SERVICE	429.04
TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY-ADMINISTRATIVE 132.30	
US CUTTER VYNIL, CUT OUTS/PARTS	1,626.00
VARSITY GROUP	1,830.00
WAPSIE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, ENTRY FEE	125.00
WBC MECHANICAL INC, BOILER REPAIRS	3,203.30
WEDEKING ELECTRIC LLS, MAINTENANCE SERVICES/SUPPLIES	1,262.15
WILLIAM V. MACGILL & CO, HEALTH SUPPLIES	98.24
WILSON RESTAURANT SUPPLY, INC., SUPPLIES 1,351.73	
Grand Total:	783,669.39

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CHICKASAW CO. CLAIMS LISTING 12/6/2024-12/20/2024

20/20 FX LLC, SVC BLOCK CONTRACT/COMP SPPLS-EMS	138.00
ADDICTED 2 STITCHIN, REMOVE/REPLACE PATCHES-SHERIFF	154.00
AG VANTAGE FS INC, EQUIP REPAIR/LP TANK AV SHOP-SEC RDS	80.00
AIRGAS, INC., OXY CYL RENTAL-EMS	200.15
ALTA VISTA, CITY OF, AV SHOP UTLS-SEC RDS	74.75
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, TONYA UNIFORM-SHERIFF	107.21
ANDREA KIME, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	2.68
ANGELL ELECTRIC INC, ELEC REPAIRS/PUMP CHECK-HERITAGE	80.00
ANN KNUTSON, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	12.06
AT&T MOBILITY, CELL SVC-EMS	44.96
AUTO VALUE OF NEW HAMPTON, MINOR EQUIP/PARTS/MV EQUIP-GEN SVCS-SEC RDS	2,014.21
BARBARA J. BANTZ, TRANSCRIPT FEES-CLERK OF COURT	434.00
BAUMGARTNER, DAVID, COURT RELATED SVCS-CLERK OF COURT	523.30
BLACK HILLS ENERGY, NAT GAS-LEM/CRTHS/JAIL/RECY BLDG/CSB/EMS/SEC RD SHOP\$4,874.80	
BLACKHAWK AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS, INC, ANNUAL FIRE SPRINKLER INSPECTION-HERITAGE	255.00
BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT COMPANY, EQUIP MAINT/SPPLS-GEN SVCS	572.35
BRAD SCHMIDT, UNIFORM REIMB-EMS	55.60
BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS INC, SPOT/SHOULDER ROCK-SEC RDS	3,060.35
BUTLER CO REC, POWER @ ANCHOR/ELEC-OLD LANDFILL/911	291.05
BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO, PH SVC-PUB HLTH/RECORDER	213.97
CARD SERVICES, LODGING/DUES-EMA/911	1,491.94
CEDAR-WAPSIE COMMUNICATIONS INC, LAWLER/NASHUA TOWER JAN-JUNE'25 LEASE AGREEMENT	3,600.00
CHICKASAW CO SHERIFF, 4TH QTR POSTAGE-SHERIFF	221.02
CHICKASAW COUNTY AUDITOR, 3 PLAT BOOKS-EMS	78.00
CINTAS CORPORATION, FIRST AID RESTOCK-SEC RDS	224.44
CLOUDCOVER USA, INC, FIREWALL/VPN ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION-DATA PROCESSING\$20.00	
CNH IND CAPITAL PRODUCTIVITY PL, PARTS #65B SEC RD	43.00
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER, COURT RELATED SVCS	41.08
COMMUNITY INSURANCE OF IOWA, TOWNSHIP BOND INSURANCE 02/25 THRU 02/26	126.00
CONSOLIDATED ENERGY CO, DIESEL FUEL IONIA/AV SHOPS-SEC RDS	2,923.45
CONTINENTAL RESEARCH CORP, CUST SPPLS-HERITAGE/CSB/CRTHS	201.88

CRAIG J KURTENBACH, JAN-JUNE '25 LAWLER GROUND LEASE FOR RADIO TOWER	2,400.00
CULLINGAN WATER CONDITIONING, SALT 50# JAIL	33.50
DAVID KRIVACHEK, CUST SPPLS-HERITAGE	183.60
DEAN SPEICHER, DEC VA COMM MTG-VA	25.00
DEFORD INSULATING COMPANY LLC, BRIDGE REPAIR SPPLS-SEC RDS	7,000.00
DIAMOND MOWERS INC, STOCK PARTS-SEC RDS	3,906.08
EKWALL, JAMIE, MLG REIMB-SHERIFF	45.68
ERIC M BARKER/BARCOM COMMUNICATIONS, NASHUA TOWER CAMERAS REPAIR-911	1,250.00
FAREWAY STORES INC, PROVISIONS/BLDG CONSUMABLES-SHERIFF/HERITAGE	56.77
FARMERS WIN COOPERATIVE, FUEL-SHERIFF/SEC RDS	2,177.43
FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE, FUEL/EQUIP-SHERIFF/SEC RDS	8,434.10
FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF, INMATE BOARDING (3)-SHERIFF	650.00
FOX REHABILITATION SERVICES PC, PT/OT/ST THERAPY-PUB HLTH	14,490.00
FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF, NOV24 LEACHATE-LANDFILL	187.50
GEERTS PLUMBING & HEATING INC, TRIP LEVER-HERITAGE	14.90
GET SOME GUNS, LLC, UNIFORM ID PANELS-SHERIFF	150.00
HEALTHCARE FIRST, CLIENT SURVEYS-PUB HLTH	111.02
HEALTHCARE STRATEGIES INC, DATA SOFTWARE-PUB HLTH	1,800.00
HOWARD COUNTY ENGINEER, 50% COST SHARING W/ HOWARD CTY BRIDGE AT 53-SEC RDS	53,241.57
INOVALON PROVIDER INC, BILLING SOFTWARE-PUB HLTH	594.97
IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, PHONES-911	226.00
IOWA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOC, FALL CONF REG-CO ATTY	370.00
IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, CALIBRATE BEAM MACHINE/TRAINING-SEC RDS	170.00
IOWA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, D. GAEDE CONF REG-SHERIFF	250.00
IOWA STATE SHERIFFS & DEPUTIES, MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL-SHERIFF	425.00
ISAC, JAN CONF REG-SHERIFF/BOS	575.00
ISACA, 11.21.24 CONF-AUDITOR	150.00
JANE COLLINS, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	337.01
JENDRO INC, GARBAGE PICKUP/RURAL RECY-MULT CO DEPTS	2,859.04
JERRY PTACEK, PRIVATE WELL SHOCK-ENVIRO HLTH	400.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, SPPLS/PARTS/FUEL/EQUIP/SAFE-TY-CONSV/HERI/GEN SVCS/SEC RDS	1,176.86
JUDY PAULUS GEBEL, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	298.15
JULIA SHEKLETON, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	97.82
KATIE BOEHMER, DEC VA COMM MTG-VA	25.00
KEYSTONE LABORATORIES INC / MICROBAC LAB, WATER TESTING LAB FEES-ENVIRO HLTH	596.00
KWIK TRIP EXTENDED NETWORK, FUEL-SEC RDS	5,027.83
KWIK TRIP INC, FUEL-SHERIFF/CONSV/GEN SVCS/ENVIRO HLTH/ELECTIONS/EMS/EMA	4,503.64
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC, ELEC PARTS/SPPLS-SEC RDS	995.68
LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING LLC, COPIER LEASE-SEC RDS	126.86
LISA WELTER, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	74.37
LS SUPPLY & RENTAL INC, GARAGE DOOR/OPENER-VA	1,900.00
MAIL SERVICES LLC, PRINT/POSTAGE-TREAS	942.14
MASTER BURN /PROV. 16.3 INC, FURNACE OIL NH SHOP-SEC RDS	217.45
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL, INFECTION CONTROL SPPLS-PUB HLTH	158.02
MEGAN LESTER, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	495.80
MICK GAGE PLUMBING & HEATING, INC, PLUMB REPAIRS/CHECK BOILER DRAIN-JAIL	133.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO, INTERSECTION LIGHTING-SEC RDS	7.37
MIENERGY COOPERATIVE, ELEC-CONSV/SEC RDS	592.89
MISTIE DEERE, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	429.47
MITKO LLC, PARTS-SEC RDS 115.58	
NAPA MOTOR PARTS, TOOLS/PARTS/GEN SPPLS-SEC RDS	123.65
NASHUA REPORTER, PUBLICATIONS-BOS/SEC RDS	1,426.58
NEW HAMPTON CARE CENTER, LLC, INMATE MEALS-SHERIFF	170.00
NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, PH/INTERNET-SHERIFF	536.85
NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE, PUBLICATIONS-BOS/VA	1,284.38
NEW HAMPTON, CITY OF, CO BLDGS CITY UTILITIES 3,953.73	
NEW HORIZONS-CHAMBER, TRACT-CHAMBER	1,100.00
NORTHEAST IOWA COMMUNITY ACTION CORP, NOV24 GEN RELIEF ADMIN SVCS	602.68
PETROBLEND CORP, LUBRICANTS-SEC RDS	2,128.15
PHYSICIAN'S CLAIMS COMPANY, AUG24/SEPT24 BILLING-EMS	9,532.16
QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC, QTRLY POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE-CRTHS	739.05
QUILL LLC, BATTERIES/TAPE DISPENSER-SHERIFF	93.34
R & R WELDING INC, PARTS-SEC RDS	235.12
RANDY NOSBISCH, DEC VA COMM MTG-VA	25.00
RAPID PRINTERS, OFFICE/CUST SPPLS/PARTS/GEN SPPLS-VA/	

AUD/ATTY/SHERIFF/HERI/EMS/SEC RDS	605.45
RAY O'HERRON CO INC, SPPLS-SHERIFF	159.21
RICKS SERVICE CENTER LLC, TIRE INSTALL/STORAGE-SHERIFF	906.32
RICKY ROSONKE, BLDG REPAIRS/MAINT-HERITAGE	200.00
RILEY'S INC, COPY FEES/COPIER SVC/TONER/SHREDDER/OFFICE & CUST SPPLS-MULT CO DEPTS	3,816.77
SADLER POWER TRAIN INC, PARTS-SEC RDS	1,632.51
SCHNEIDER GEOSPATIAL LLC, QTRLY PUB SITE HOSTING-ASSR	3,765.00
SCHUETH ACE HARDWARE, CUST SPPLS/PARTS/EQUIP/BLDG MAINT/ELEC SPPLS-MULT CO DEPTS	334.67
SHAWVER, RYAN, MEAL REIMB-SHERIFF	14.83
SHELLY LAMPSON-BAST, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	430.81
STAPLES INC, OFFICE SPPLS-PUB HLTH	53.33
STATE OF IOWA/STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER, AUTOPSY FEE-MEDICAL EXAMINER	2,047.00
STOREY KENWORTHY, VOTER REGISTRATION ELECTION SPPLS-ELECTIONS	198.00
SUPERIOR WELDING SUPPLY CO, WELDING SPPLS-SEC RDS\$249.93	
TAMMY FLICK, MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH	182.24
TREWIN PUMPING SERVICE, NOV24 LEACHATE HAUL-LANDFILL	185.00
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES, PARTS/EQUIP/TOOLS-SEC RDS	4,559.17
U. S. POSTAL SERVICE, STAMPS/PO BOX RENEWAL-RECORDER/ATTY/EMS	250.00
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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 leaders deal with ramifications of state law

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fiscal year that begins on July 1. County Attorney David Laudner said that the idea behind the law was that counties with "explosive growth" in valuations were not passing on any savings to property owners. "They're growing 10, 20 percent and they're keeping the levy rate the exact same and using the extra money, and what the legislature is saying [is] you're misleading the 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 "sunssets" 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 county 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."

Community Action CEO: Organization does a lot in county

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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 assis-

tance, 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."

Salvation Army unit has plenty to celebrate

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

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.

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 lower-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."

Briefs

Cowboy Poetry event set for Jan. 24-25 in Lawler

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.

Offices to be closed for New Year's holiday

County and city offices will be closed next week in observance of the and New Year's holiday.

Nashua City Hall will be closed both New Year's Eve and New Year's Day while the Chickasaw County Courthouse will have regular office hours on New Year's Eve but will be closed on the first day of 2025.

The first Board of Supervisors meeting — one in which county leaders will elect a board chairman — of 2025 will be held on Friday, Jan. 2.

Crop Advantage meeting set for Jan. 16 in Waterloo

The 2025 Crop Advantage Series meeting will give farmers and crop production professionals a solid foundation of current research-based crop production information to help make informed decisions for their farming operation.

The Waterloo Crop Advantage

meeting will be held at Hawkeye Community College — Tama Hall (1501 East Orange Road, Waterloo) on Jan. 16. Registration check-in opens at 8:15 a.m. and the program runs 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Program highlights include 2025 weather outlook, a deep dive into nitrification inhibitors, selecting cover crop species, soybean aphid resistance, and managing waterhemp.

For more program details and registration information for Waterloo or other Crop Advantage locations, visit: <https://go.iastate.edu/cropadvantage>.



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Coach says Huskies get a reminder that improvement is a must

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"One thing I'll say about this weekend is we had a lot of pressure matches," Frost said, "and we obviously didn't win them all, but hopefully, our guys take that experience and use it when we really need it."

The Huskies opened the fifth-place pool with a 42-38 win over what Frost called "a really good, tough" Denver team. Pins by Carey (165) and Aiden Gelner (175) gave the Huskies an insurmountable 42-23 lead, but that's the dual that saw Carey exit the tournament.

"That's a tough guy to lose and that made it really tough on us the rest of the way," Frost said. "We've got to hope we can get Jackson back. He's important — real important."

That injury seemed to be an omen for the rest of the day for the Huskies as they fell to North Scott 45-28 and Lake Mills 45-29 to close out the 2024 portion of their schedule.

Nashua-Plainfield had beaten Lake Mills 41-36 on Dec. 5, but their Top of Iowa rivals, Frost conceded, "put a better team out there then we saw the first time and then not having Carey, that hurt, too."

Still, there were plenty of positives for the Huskies during a weekend on the Young Arena mats.

Nashua-Plainfield's Rincken, the senior who is ranked first at 132 in Class 1A by IAwrestle, was his reliable self, going 6-0 with three pins and two technical falls. His "best" win though was a 4-3 decision over Assumption's Steele Diercks, who is ranked fifth in Class 2A at 132.

Carey was the lone other Husky to go undefeated, but both Gelner and Zwanziger went 5-1 while Brase was 4-2.

"I've always said the only way you get better is to wrestle tough kids, to see good competition," Frost said, "and maybe it was a slap in the face at times for us, but we needed this. We've got to learn from it and get better when we come back from break. We have some big goals, but to get them, we're going to have to get better."

Maverick Dietz-McDonald, 1:22. 215 - Dru Diaz (DA) pinned Jaxon McDonald, 3:07. 285 - Maxwell Azzaline (DA) OT dec. Isaac Jones, 5-2. 106 - Lincoln Huck (NP) won by forfeit. 113 - Rhyis Polenske (DA) tech. fall Jagger White, 19-4. 120 - Nic Brase (NP) maj. dec. Gabriel Schnerre, 16-4. 126 - Brody Buhman (DA) pinned Kolbie Vance, 1:04. 132 - Jayden Rincken (NP) dec. Steele Diercks, 4-3. 138 - Cady Wild (DA) pinned Keldan Munn, 0:47. 144 - Chase Krantz (DA) dec. Luke Zwanziger, 8-2. 150 - Lane Pennington (DA) pinned Wyatt Bearman, 0:48. 157 - Devon Blanchard (NP) pinned Keagan Alvarez, 2:46. 165 - Jackson Carey (NP) pinned Rolan Alvarez (DA), 3:45. 175 - Aiden Gelner (NP) pinned Brock Lansing, 1:13.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 45, CEDAR FALLS 25
215 - Andrew Harrington (CF) dec. McDonald, 12-6. 285 - Jones (NP) pinned Ian Reilly, 0:21. 106 - Chase Miller (CF) pinned Huck, 1:31. 113 - White (NP) maj. dec. Nolan Schaul, 12-3. 120 - Brase (NP) tech. fall Caiden Lounsberry, 16-0. 126 - Evan Simpson (CF) tech. fall Vance, 16-1. 132 - Rincken (NP) pinned Dyshon Bruce, 1:57. 138 - Zwanziger (NP) pinned Eric Malaise, 0:45. 144 - Jeremiah Tamayo (CF) pinned Lucas Sinnwell, 4:55. 150 - Ayden Williams (CF) tech. fall Bearman, 17-0. 157 - Blanchard (NP) dec. Ben Backes, 7-2. 165 - Carey (NP) pinned Levi Mayfield, 1:36. 175 - Gelner (NP) pinned Kael Moore, 2:26. 190 - Dietz-McDonald (NP) dec. Maddox Wilkinson, 4-3.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 40, CEDAR RAPIDS PRAIRIE 35
285 - Romeo Klein (CRP) pinned Jones (NP), 1:06. 106 - Jaxon Rausch (CRP) maj. dec. Huck, 9-0. 113 - Chase Watkinson (CRP) pinned White (NP), 1:07. 120 - Dylan Munson (CRP) tech. fall Brase, 21-5. 126 - Vance (NP) maj. dec. Brantley Jones, 11-3. 132 - Rincken (NP) pinned Keagan Blair, 3:11. 138 - Zwanziger (NP) pinned Teagan Kendall, 3:33. 144 - Sinnwell (NP) pinned Cohen Yossi, 2:34. 150 - Garan Hynek (CRP) dec. Bearman, 9-5. 157 - Blanchard (NP) pinned Owen Langhurst, 1:26. 165 - Carey (NP) pinned Hunter Linnell, 0:46. 175 - Loudon Bloxham (CRP) pinned Gelner, 19-4. 190 - Quinton Alexander (CRP) pinned Dietz-McDonald, 0:51. 215 - McDonald (NP) pinned Conner Bistricky, 4:00.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 42, DENVER 38
106 - Huck (NP) pinned Tyson Primus, 3:33. 113 - Kayden Landers (D) pinned White, 4:44. 120 - Brase (NP) pinned Jeb Ebaugh, 3:24. 126 - Gavin Landers (D) pinned Connor Sullivan, 0:26. 132 - Rincken (NP) pinned Jericho Grimmett, 1:44. 138 - Zwanziger (NP) pinned Riley Brandt, 1:53. 144 - Sinnwell (NP) pinned Gavin McLaughlin, 3:03. 150 - Xander Peterson (D) pinned Bearman, 1:13. 157 - Boden White (D) tech. fall Blanchard, 16-1. 165 -

Carey (NP) pinned Braven Beaumont, 3:47. 175 - Gelner (NP) pinned David Warrior, 4:35. 190 - Corbin Hill (D) pinned Dietz-McDonald, 0:39. 215 - Donavon Farrell (D) pinned McDonald, 0:42. 285 - Cody Koepke (D) dec. Jones, 13-6.

NORTH SCOTT 45, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 28
113 - Maxwell Davis (NS) pinned White, 1:09. 120 - Matthew Williams (NS) dec. Brase, 4-2. 126 - Hayden Ulloa (NS) pinned Sullivan, 0:46. 132

- Rincken (NP) tech. fall Tanner Yates, 18-2. 138 - Zwanziger (NP) tech. fall Gabriel Ulloa, 17-0. 144 - Will McDermott (NS) pinned Sinnwell, 1:39. 150 - Evan Raifs (NS) pinned Bearman, 3:43. 157 - Cole Green (NS) pinned Blanchard, 3:49. 165 - Tyler Hobert (NP) pinned Benjamin Lightle, 0:08. 175 - Gelner (NP) pinned Kade Kelly, 1:12. 190 - Trey Feist (NS) pinned Dietz-McDonald, 0:27. 215 - McDonald (NP) dec. Aaron Huber,

6-3. 285 - Jones (NP) OT dec. Bryce Stewart, 5-1. 106 - Dylan Ulloa (NS) pinned Huck, 2:55.

LAKE MILLS 45, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 29
120 - Brase (NP) pinned Case Casperson, 0:52. 126 - Royce Peterson (LM) pinned Sullivan, 1:37. 132 - Vance (NP) maj. dec. Carter Christianson, 15-7. 138 - Rincken (NP) pinned Carter Helgeson, 0:40. 144 - Zwanziger (NP) dec. Caleb Skogen, 4-2. 150 - Steve Brandenburg

(LM) pinned Sinnwell, 2:20. 157 - Hayden Helgeson (LM) pinned Hobert, 1:15. 165 - Cody Cox (LM) dec. Blanchard, 5-0. 175 - Luke Fjeld (LM) pinned Dalton Downing, 3:45. 190 - Gelner (NP) maj. dec. Andrew Grunhovd, 12-2. 215 - Josiah Kjeldahl (LM) pinned McDonald, 1:07. 285 - Wyatt Hanna (LM) pinned Jones, 1:24. 106 - Huck (NP) won by forfeit. 113 - Lucas Oldenkamp (LM) pinned White, 1:21

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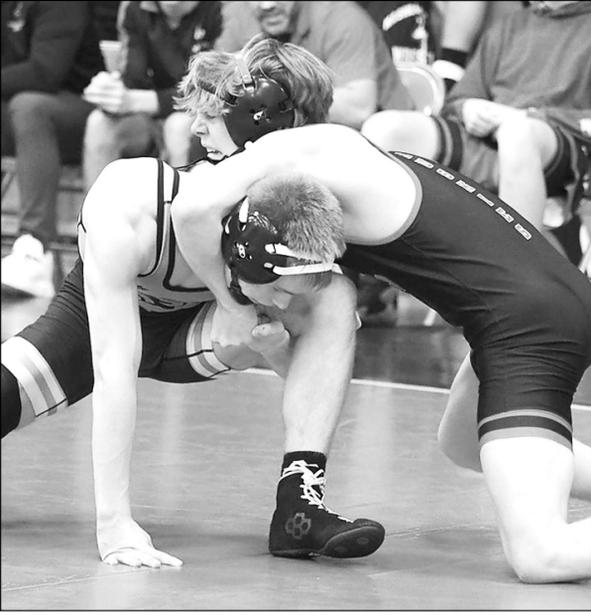
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Nashua-Plainfield Luke Zwanziger works on bring an opponent to his back during a quadrangular the Huskies hosted this past week.

On Tap for Our Nashua-Plainfield Huskies

THURSDAY, JAN 2
Girls wrestling at Osage Invitational, 10 a.m.
Boys varsity and JV wrestling vs. Forest City, North Union and Rockford at Forest City 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 3
Basketball at Tripoli, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., varsity girls at 6:15 p.m., varsity boys at 7:45 p.m.
Boys junior varsity wrestling at Riceville tournament, 5 p.m.
Boys varsity wrestling at Osage Invitational, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, JAN. 6
Girls wrestling vs. Osage, Janesville and Lake Mills at Osage, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 7
Basketball at Riceville, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., varsity girls at 6:15 p.m., varsity boys at 7:30 p.m.

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N-P junior forward Jake Smith works the perimeter in a TIC East clash with St. Ansgar earlier this winter.

N-P 'finds a way' with TIC win

BOYS HOOPS: FROM 8

could have been the presence of North Butler's 6-6 senior center Ryan Austin - who has sat out games so far this year with a foot injury. He did not play in North Butler's 39-30 loss versus St. Ansgar, a TIC East team that N-P shellacked at home by a score of 57-29.

But each and every game is different out on the hardwood and that was clearly evident in the North Butler game.

"It was a good team win - we found a way," said Mueller.

Just 12 points were scored in the second period by both teams and N-P outscored the Bearcats, 13-7 in the final period.

Husky junior guard Landon Foelske had another all-around great effort at his guard position as he led N-P in scoring with 13 points and grabbed seven rebounds. He also dished out four assists and tallied two steals.

Next in line in the scoring department for N-P were Malven and Smith - who each netted 12 points apiece. N-P's leading scorer, junior guard Jase Hansen, was held to six points on 3-11 shooting. He did not make a 3-pointer in five tries. He leads the Huskies with a scoring average of just over 16 points.

One of N-P's key reserves in junior forward Tucker Jacobs did not play. Mueller said senior center Cal Levi provided the Huskies with valuable minutes off the bench. He scored two points and grabbed three rebounds.

"He gave us a little boost there, which was good to see,"

Mueller added.

N-P ran into a buzzsaw Friday night on the road at Osage (6-1, 3-1). The Green Devils apparently had this one circled on the calendar as the Huskies played perhaps their best game of the Mueller era with a commanding 72-56 victory last year at Osage. The Green Devils were up for the revenge game and shot out of the gates with a 15-3 first-quarter lead to definitely make a statement.

Osage shot a remarkable 16-31 from 3-point land for a flashy percentage of 51 percent. Osage kept the ball rolling by downing a quality Alburnett squad the following night on Saturday, 55-54.

"They shot 25 percent as a team before that," said Mueller about Friday night's game at Osage. "There wasn't a lot defensively we could do. We had a hard time keeping them in front of us."

Osage's combo guard tandem of Quinn Street (20 points) and Madden Uhlenhopp (24 points) combined to nail 11-22 shots from downtown.

"When they're playing well, they can beat anybody," said the N-P head coach.

Malven continued his fine junior season with 19 points on 7-15 shooting. He knocked down half of his eight 3-point attempts. Foelske scored eight points, ripped down six rebounds, doled out four assists and swiped three steals. Hansen hit double-figures with 11 points and converted on three shots from beyond the arc. Smith added nine points and shot 50 percent from the field (4-8).

N-P currently sits in a tie for

fifth place in the league with St. Ansgar (4-3, 2-3).

The Huskies first game back from break is at Tripoli on Friday, Jan. 3. That's the first of four road games to start the 2025 portion of N-P's regular season as the Huskies travel to Riceville on Tuesday, Jan. 7, followed by road dates versus Central Springs (Jan. 9) and West Fork (Jan. 10). N-P isn't back home until a game in Nashua against Postville (2-6) on Monday, Jan. 13.

OSAGE 75, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 51
NP 3 22 13 13 - 51
OS 15 19 16 25 - 75
Matthew Malven 7-15 1-2 19, Landon Foelske 3-7 2-28, Jake Smith 4-8 0-0 9, Jase Hansen 4-11 0-0 11, Avery Mueller 0-3 0-0 0, Ty Berger 0-1 0-0 0, Cal Levi 0-0 0-0 0, Braden Mitchell 0-0 0-0 0, Navarii Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Trent Rodruck 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 20-49 3-4 51.
3-point field goals - Malven 4-8, Hansen 3-8, Smith 1-2, Foelske 0-1, Berger 0-1.
Rebounds - Foelske 6, Rodruck 5, Malven 4, Hansen 4, Mueller 4, Smith 3, Levi 1, Mitchell 1.
Assists - Foelske 4, Mueller 4, Rodruck 3, Malven 1, Smith 1.
Steals - Foelske 3, Mueller 3.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 45, NORTH BUTLER 44
NB 14 7 16 7 - 44
NP 14 5 13 13 - 45
Malven 3-12 5-6 12, Foelske 5-10 2-5 13, Smith 6-7 0-0 12, Hansen 3-11 0-0 6, Rodruck 0-0 0-0 0, Levi 1-1 0-0 2, Mueller 0-2 0-0 0, Mitchell 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 18-44 7-11 45.
3-point field goals - Malven 1-6, Foelske 1-1, Hansen 0-5, Mueller 0-1, Mitchell 0-1.
Rebounds - Foelske 7, Malven 6, Smith 5, Hansen 5, Rodruck 3, Levi 3, Mueller 1.
Assists - Malven 6, Foelske 4, Hansen 2.
Steals - Foelske 2, Malven 1, Smith 1, Hansen 1, Mueller 1.
Blocks - Rodruck 2, Foelske 1, Hansen 1.

OSAGE 41, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 25
NP 8 5 8 4 - 25
OS 2 10 11 18 - 41
Elayna O'Neill 1-13 0-4 2, Kadence Huck 6-13 1-4 13, Josslynn Glaser 1-4 2-2 4, Marleigh Lowe 2-9 0-2 6, Paige Franzen 0-2 0-0 0, Emeri McCumber 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 10-49 3-14 25.
3-point field goals - Lowe 2-8, Franzen 0-7, Huck 0-2.
Rebounds - O'Neill 10, Huck 4, Franzen 4, Glaser 3, Lowe 3, McCumber 1.
Assists - Franzen 3, O'Neill 1.
Steals - Huck 8, Lowe 7, Franzen 4, O'Neill 2, Glaser 1.
Blocks - Glaser 4.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 41, NORTH BUTLER 33
NB 7 12 8 6 - 33
NP 8 12 13 8 - 41
O'Neill 2-9 2-2 6, Huck 8-17 2-4 18, Glaser 2-3 1-2 5, Lowe 0-3 2-4 2, Franzen 1-11 3-6 6, McCumber 1-4 2-2 4. Totals 14-47 12-20 41.
3-point field goals - Franzen 1-6, Huck 0-1, Lowe 0-1.
Rebounds - O'Neill 8, Franzen 7, Huck 6, McCumber 3, Glaser 2, Lowe 1.
Assists - Franzen 4, O'Neill 2, Lowe 2, Huck 1, Glaser 1.
Steals - Huck 6, O'Neill 4, Lowe 4, Franzen 4, McCumber 1.
Blocks - Lowe 3, Franzen 2, Glaser 1, McCumber 1.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Husky junior guard Jase Hansen unleashes a jumper from the baseline versus Mason City Newman in a league game earlier this season.

Huskies hit the road in start to 2025

GIRLS HOOPS: FROM 8

and future Oklahoma State Cowboy leads the entire state (all five classes) with 61 steals this winter, three better than Des Moines Christian's Addy Oetker (58 steals).

Huck has amassed 303 steals to date in her four years of varsity competition at N-P. She averages 16.8 points per game this season, 7.6 steals and 6.6 rebounds. She scored 18 points against North Butler. Huck grabbed six rebounds and was 8-17 shooting.

Possessing the basketball and making the right passes were critical in the Huskies' win over the Bearcats.

"I think the girls did a good job of being intentional about taking care of the basketball. Osage didn't press, but North Butler did all game so for us to only have 13 turnovers against them is definitely a good number for us. We're doing a better job of not forcing something that isn't there and shooting open shots," said Smith.

That Osage game Smith referenced to was a tough pill to swallow for the Huskies as the Green Devils closed out late for a 41-25 victory.

Poor shooting plagued N-P, but the Huskies still led 8-2 after the first period. Osage went on key run late to outscore the Huskies, 18-4, in the final period. Osage junior forward Addison Marcks led all scorers with 23 points, 17 rebounds, five steals and five blocks. Marcks did turnover the ball over 12 times.

N-P was just 10-49 from the floor (20 percent) and 3-14 from the charity stripe. The Huskies did force 28 Green Devil turnovers - which resulted in eight steals by Huck and seven by senior guard Paige Franzen.

"Our defense did a good job. We forced them into a lot of turnovers. We struggled to score. We didn't shoot the ball real well from the field or from the line. We had looks that we wanted throughout the game and they just weren't falling. A few plays didn't go our way into the fourth quarter and it snowballed out of reach," said Smith.

N-P was just 2-17 from the field in 3-point shooting in the



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Elayna O'Neill, an N-P junior forward, scores one of her career-high 20 points against St. Ansgar earlier this year.

Osage game. N-P senior guard Marleigh Lowe came up with those two makes from beyond the arc.

Osage made every single free throw it attempted in nine tries. Osage drilled six 3-pointers in 23 attempts.

Smith said the game came down to making free throws and aside from that, he said his squad controlled most of the game sans the final period of play.

N-P junior forward Elayna O'Neill grabbed 10 rebounds against Osage, but shot just 1-13 from the floor. Despite that off night for O'Neill down low on the blocks, she's averaging 8.6 points per game and almost seven rebounds a contest.

N-P stands alone in fifth place in the conference, a half game ahead of Osage (3-4, 1-3). No. 12 St. Ansgar (6-1) leads the conference with a perfect mark of 5-0.

OSAGE 41, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 25



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Nashua-Plainfield coach Josh Smith instructs his players in a game versus St. Ansgar earlier this month.

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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

Rescued: 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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Huskies run into top-notch competition at Battle of Waterloo



Nashua-Plainfield's Jackson Carey works on finishing off a pin during the Huskies' home quadrangular that was held last Tuesday.

Nashua-Plainfield falls from the ranks of unbeaten as Huskies go 3-3 at state's premier dual tournament

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

The schedule for the Nashua-Plainfield boys wrestling team got a whole lot tougher this past weekend, and while veteran Huskies coach Al Frost never likes losing, the Battle of Waterloo was just what the doctor ordered for his boys.

"You know, we hadn't wrestled the toughest schedule in the world," Frost said. "Outside of Lake Mills and North Fayette Valley, we haven't seen a lot of good teams. That changed obviously, and at times it was brutal but we needed this."

The Huskies came into Iowa's premier regular season dual tournament sporting a sparkling 9-0 mark. It left Young Arena 12-3 after finishing fourth in the fifth-place pool on Saturday.

It was a bit of a wakeup call, and it was a painful one as the Huskies' standout 165-pounder, Jackson Carey, had to sit out the last two dual meets after suffering an injury in his first match Saturday morning.

But let's start with Friday's action

in the Al Frost Bracket, where the Huskies entered as the fourth seed.

"Right off the bat, we were in a dual that was going down to the wire and unfortunately, they got us," Frost said of the 41-31 loss to Class 2A Davenport Assumption. "It was kind of a pin fest at times, and it was a little bit of a reminder to our boys about how important bonus points are."

Still, the Huskies rallied to beat Cedar Falls 45-25 and Cedar Rapids Prairie 40-35 to claim the bracket's consolation title.

In the fifth-place dual, Nashua-Plainfield fell behind 21-0 before Kolbie Vance, Jayden Rincken, Luke Zwanziger and Lucas Sinnwell reeled off four straight wins to give the Huskies a 22-21 lead.

Prairie won the three of the next five matches, but the Huskies remained in the hunt with Devon Blanchard and Carey both coming up pins. That left it up to 215-pound Jaxon McDonald, who with his team trailing 35-34, came up with the biggest pin of his life to give the Huskies the win.

SEE BATTLE, 6

Kelly Terpstra/Reporter



Nashua-Plainfield's Kadence Huck gets off a shot in a game against St. Ansgar last week.

N-P boys hold off Bearcats

Huskies dig deep on short turnaround, beat North Butler to push their record to 5-3

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
Of the Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield dug deep against its top rival on Saturday afternoon.

It was a quick turnaround for Matt Mueller's Huskies hoops squad after taking Osage's best shot the night before in a 75-51 thumping by the Green Devils' on their home court Friday evening.

Less than 24 hours later, N-P was back in the win column with a hard-nosed, grind-it-out 45-44 victory over the visiting Bearcats of North Butler.

"I'm pretty happy because we didn't even have a 24-hour turnaround," said Mueller.

While the slow-down game isn't the Huskies' style, they still got the job done to improve to 5-3 overall and 2-3 in the TIC East after the last game of 2024 was put in the books prior to the start of the Christmas break.

"That was a gritty win for us," said Mueller. "We had to win a different way than we usually do."

N-P averages almost 57 points a contest through eight games and is second in the conference behind TIC East leader Northwood-Kensett (7-0, 5-0; 46.5 FG percentage) in field-goal percentage with a 45 percent clip. The shots weren't falling on this night, though, against the Bearcats as they dictated the pace of the game and made converted buckets a premium during this weekend matinee.

The ploy worked as the Huskies' shots weren't falling, but they called on another facet of their game to pull this one out - stopping the other team from scoring.

"We don't win against North Butler if our defense isn't a lot better. We did not shoot the ball well," said Mueller. "That was our worst shooting performance all year."

Mueller stated North Butler (1-5, 1-4) - for whatever reason - decided to take a two-point shot down three points with roughly 10 seconds left in the game. Down just one, North Butler fouled and N-P junior Matthew Malven knocked down free throws to ice the league tilt.

"There weren't any easy baskets in that game," said Mueller. "We struggled with fouls in that game."

N-P junior post players Jake Smith and Trent Rodruck each fouled out in the game. One of the reasons for that foul trouble



Nashua-Plainfield's Navarii Williams looks for an open teammate after driving into the lane during a game against St. Ansgar last week.

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N-P girls persevere, get to .500 at break

Huskies rebound from a loss at Osage to pick up a home win over North Butler

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Shots didn't want to seem to fall and find the bottom of the net for the Nashua-Plainfield Huskies in the last two games before Christmas break.

Josh Smith's TIC East squad persevered, continued to battle and was still able to register one final win before the calendar rolls over into 2025.

N-P (4-4, 2-3) racked up its fourth win of the season with a 41-33 win at home over North Butler (1-5, 1-4) on Saturday afternoon in Nashua.

North Butler slapped its press on and the Huskies were able to zoom down the court for some easy buckets to pull out the win. N-P committed only 13 turnovers in the league victory and saw Husky senior guard Kadence Huck inch that much closer to the all-time steals record at Nashua-Plainfield.

With six more steals versus North Butler added to her four-year tally - Huck now is just four steals shy of 2022 N-P alum Jennah Carpenter's all-time mark of 306. Huck broke Carpenter's single-season Husky steals record last year

with 138.

She'll look to crack the record on Friday, Jan. 3 in the first game back from Christmas break at Tripoli while Carpenter will watch it all go down. Carpenter also held the prior single-season steals mark of 104 - identical totals set by Carpenter in back-to-back seasons in 2021 and 2022. Carpenter is in her first year as an assistant for Smith.

"It's an amazing achievement for sure," said Smith.

Smith said that if Huck breaks the mark at Tripoli - the team and Husky fans will probably hold a small recognition of Huck's accomplishment after the game. Then an announcement will be made at N-P's next home game. That won't be for a while because the Huskies play four-consecutive road games starting with Tripoli and don't return home until a date with Postville on Monday, Jan. 13.

Mark your calendars.

Huck is in the midst of putting the finishing touches on a remarkable athletic career at N-P. The eight-time state title record holder in track and field

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