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Kuhn keeps supervisors' chair

Former Nashua city councilman will take over as county board's vice chairman

By BOB FENSK
Of the Reporter

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

The jolt, at least to some who follow county politics, came when the board, which includes new members Scott Cerwinski and Travis Suckow, voted 4-1 to re-elect Matt Kuhn to the chairman position he first took over in 2022.

The one dissenting vote came from Jacob Hackman, who nominated himself for the position he held for three years, beginning in 2018.

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

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

Board members also elected Cerwinski, the lone nominee for the position, on a 4-1 vote, with Hackman casting the lone vote against the new vice chair, who replaced Tim Zoll on the board.

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

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Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors Vice Chairman Scott Cerwinski (left) and Chairman Matt Kuhn look over notes during Tuesday's meeting, the first of 2023 for the board.

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City logo vote is too close to call

Run-off election needed
to determine finalist winner

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Rock the vote – because Nashua needs you!!!

With a final vote tabulation that was paper thin – Val Johnson and the Big 4 Chamber of Commerce have decided to hold a run-off election to determine which city logo will represent the town of Nashua.

The results of the logo competition couldn't have been any closer – barring a tie to see which of the two finalist designs came out on top.

Johnson, Big 4 Chamber President, remarkably said the voting contest between the two competing city logos came down to a single vote – 104 to 103.

With the extreme closeness of the competition, that also means Johnson has contacted the Nashua-Plainfield School district, which could come up with the deciding votes should they participate.

"We are hoping to get the students of N-P more involved, because this logo is their future. We are hoping to make arrangements with the school to have the students vote on their favorite as well as the Facebook voting for the final round," said Johnson.

The contest was conducted online via Facebook and votes were tabulated as to which of the two logos received the most "likes."

The final results of the voting between the two finalist designs will be presented to the Nashua City Council at the next regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 16 at 7 p.m.

Johnson also said after the final results are revealed to the public and Nashua finds out what its new logo will be, the Chamber will release the names of all those that submitted entries.

The two competing logos feature two idyllic traits of Nashua – fishing on the beautiful Cedar Lake and the town's historic Little Brown Church.



NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN!

Chickasaw County Chief Deputy Ryan Shawver, who will take the office of sheriff after current Sheriff Marty Hemann retires on Jan. 19, poses for a picture Thursday morning.

COUNTY LEADERS INTERVIEW TWO, PICK SHAWVER TO TAKE OVER FOR HEMANN

By BOB FENSK
Of the Reporter

Almost 11 years ago, Ryan Shawver made the move from the New Hampton Police Department to the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office, and he'll be the first to admit that back then he was young and cocky.

"I was green behind the ears," he said, "and I thought I knew everything when I really didn't know anything. ... I'm not saying I didn't learn at the PD, don't get me wrong, but one thing

I've learned in law enforcement is that you're never going to know everything. You keep growing, if that makes any sense."

The 1999 graduate of New Hampton High School has grown a lot since he first stepped foot in the Sheriff's Office on April 30, 2012, and two weeks from today [Friday], he'll become acting sheriff and four days later, he'll be appointed to the vacancy that is being created by current Sheriff Marty Hemann's retirement.

After interviewing the two qualified applicants for the position Hemann will leave on Jan.

19, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 on Wednesday evening to publish a "notice of intent" to fill the vacancy on Tuesday, Jan. 23.

The notice, which will be published next week, includes the verbiage, "the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors intends to fill the vacancy in the Office of the Chickasaw County Sheriff by appointing Ryan Shawver as Chickasaw County Sheriff."

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The county showed no interest in building a cul de sac near the tower

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Nashua council says no to county radio tower

Residents expressed concerns about reduced property values with 300-foot structure in 'neighborhood'

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Chickasaw County will have to look elsewhere if it hopes to still build a 300-foot mobile radio communications tower that would be utilized by law enforcement and other local agencies.

The Nashua City Council voted 4-1 to deny a special-use permit

to build the \$250,000 tower that was planned to be constructed on a small parcel of land near the Avenue of the Saints inside the Nashua city limits.

The county submitted an application to the City of Nashua for a special permit to begin the process of construction on the three-legged tower that is located near Amherst Boulevard.

At least one property owner near that proposed site publicly objected to the placement of the tower. One of the main concerns of some of the residents that reside in that subdivision is the potential lowering of property values with a communications tower visible in the area.

The special-use permit is required if a tower is to be constructed taller than 75 feet high within the city limits.

It's of Nashua. The City of Nashua also requested a cul de sac be built by the county near the tower and for the county to maintain the property that would house the tower, an LP tank, a fence and a building on the quarter-of-an-acre property.

The county showed no interest in building a cul de sac near the tower

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past year, a jump of 16.2 percent. That came after land prices in the county jumped from \$7,602 to \$10,003, an increase of 31.6 percent.

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

Farmland values in Iowa have increased more

than 15 percent in a year a handful of times since 1941, most notably in 2011, when values rose 32.5 percent, and last year, when values rose 9 percent.

Wendong Zhang, an associate professor of economics and faculty affiliate of Center for Agricultural and Rural Development (CARD) at

BY BOB FENSK
Of the Reporter

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

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

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

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

Chickasaw County's average price per acre jumped from \$10,003 in 2021 to \$11,627 this

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Supervisors want cities to pay more for law enforcement

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

By BOB FENSKA

Of the Reporter

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

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

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

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

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

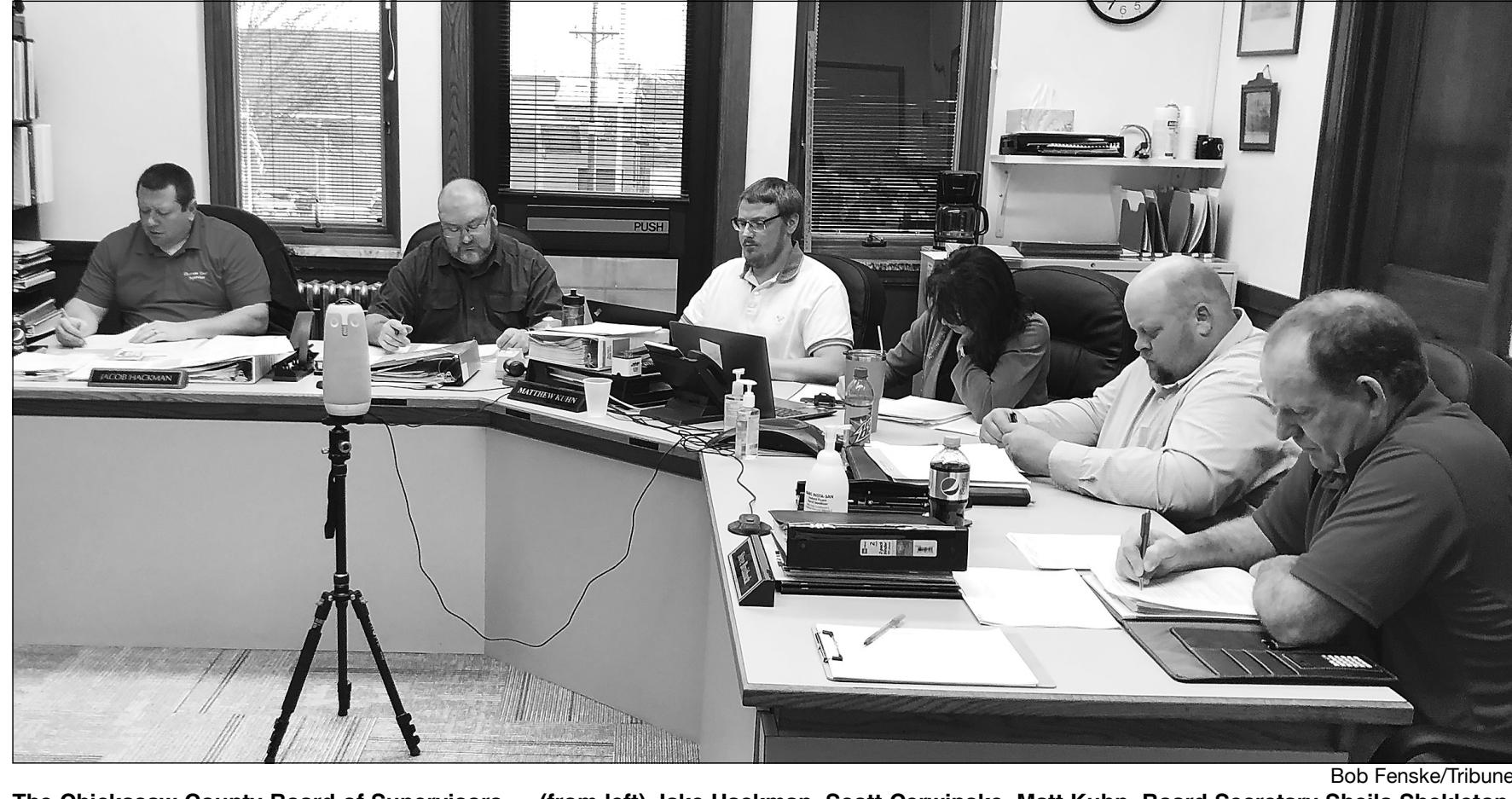
"Same issue I had last year, Marty, those are just the direct costs [of a deputy]," he said.

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

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

Hackman, though, didn't budge.

"Then why are they paying anything then? There are additional costs ...



Bob Fenske/Tribune

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

that's what I'm saying."

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

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

"What happens if this board sets the

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Quintet takes the oath!

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

Board chairman paid the same as rest of supervisors

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would make a run for the position.

With Cerwinski's win over Zoll in last June's primary and Suckow's victory over Jason Byrne in the November election, Hackman is the longest

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

Hackman served as the board chairman until 2021, when the late Rick Holthaus was elected to the position less than two months after he was returned

to the Board of Supervisors in District 1.

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

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

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

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

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

Josh and Chad's uncles have worked at the Comet Bowl and their parents had a bowling alley of their own while they were growing up. Josh himself was a part owner at Mystic

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

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

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Winnett Moine, 78

On Friday, Dec. 23, 2022, Winnett Moine, age 78, went home to be with the Lord. She had her best Christmas ever celebrating with her Lord and Savior!

There will be a visitation at 10 a.m. and a memorial at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 14, 2023, at Cedar Point Church on Main Street in Nashua.

Winnett was born in August 1944 and grew up on a farm just west of Nashua. She graduated from Nashua High School in 1962 and married her high school sweetheart, Larry Moine, in 1963.

She enjoyed working on the farm where she and her husband raised their two children.

She also worked for Lutheran Mutual Insurance, Centuries Company of America, and Cuna Mutual.

She made the best decision of her life in 1975, when she accepted Christ as her Savior.

She was a member of Cedar Point Church in Nashua, where she led Bible studies and served faithfully. She was known as an encourager, a servant, and a loving mother and grandmother.

She enjoyed sewing, having lunch with her friends, working in the garden, and visiting fam-



Winnett Moine

ily around the country.

She is survived by her children, Travis (Marnie) Moine of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Traci (Ken) Lipkowitz of Lakeland, Tennessee; grandchildren, Chelsee (Josh) Brunson-Moine of Las Vegas, Nevada, Austin and Preston Lipkowitz of Lakeland, Tennessee; sister, Winifred (Bill) Kindig of Toledo, Ohio; and brother, Wayne (Robin) Carpenter of Mount Vernon, Washington.

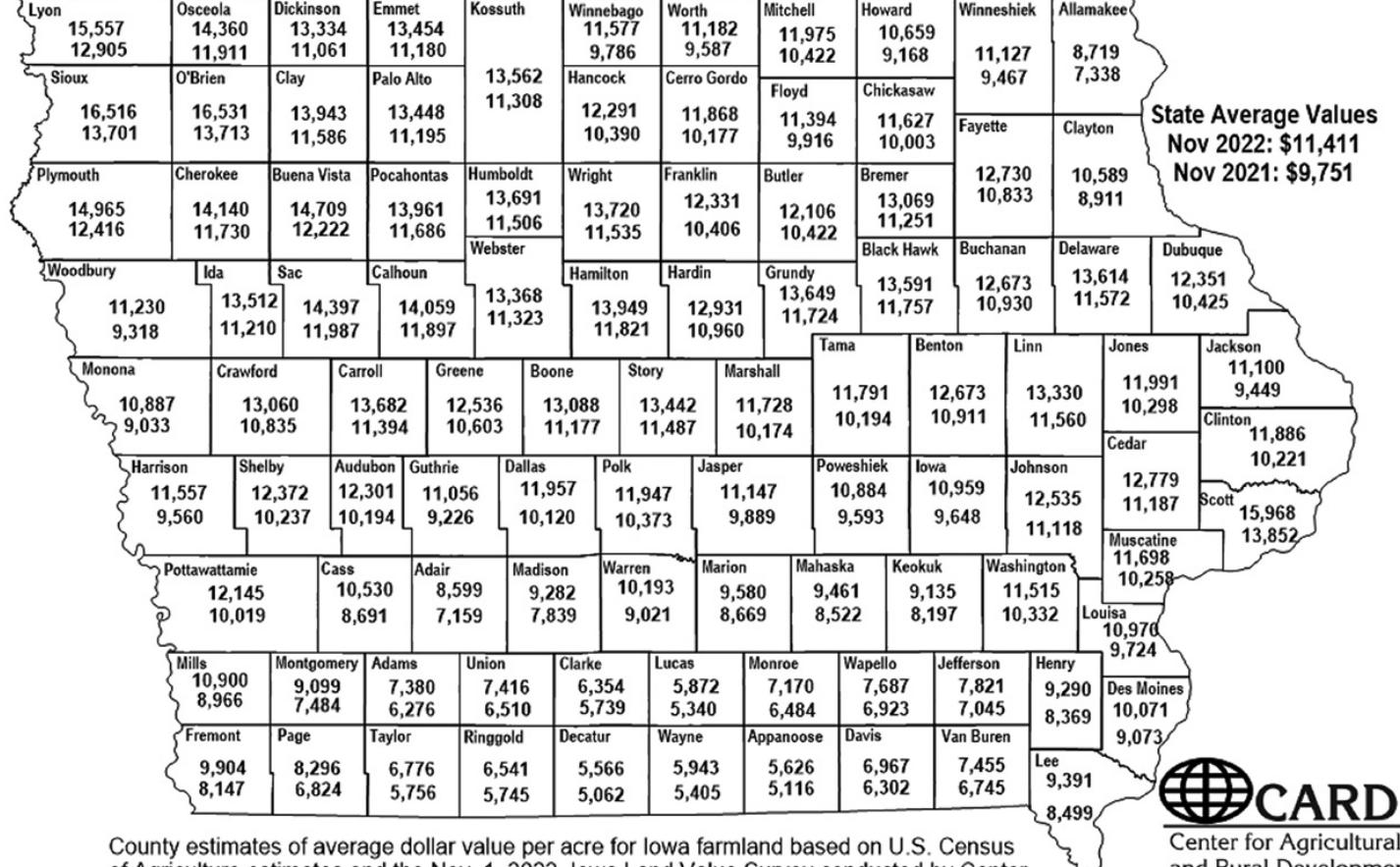
She was preceded in death by her parents, Harriett Fisher and Winton Carpenter I; brother, Winton Carpenter II; and her beloved husband, Larry Moine.

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

Isaiah 41:10

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2022 and 2021 Iowa Average Land Values, by County



County estimates of average dollar value per acre for Iowa farmland based on U.S. Census of Agriculture estimates and the Nov. 1, 2022, Iowa Land Value Survey conducted by Center for Agricultural and Rural Development, Iowa State University and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. The top figure is the estimated Nov. 1, 2022, value; the bottom figure is the estimated Nov. 1, 2021, value.

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Cash on hand for farmers leads to higher values

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Iowa State University, said that inflation did not play as much of a factor as commodity prices, limited land supply and low interest rates through summer 2022 did this year. Zhang, who is responsible for conducting the annual survey, pointed out that the Federal Reserve has used aggressive interest rate hikes since this summer to curb the problem.

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

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

This is especially true when high infla-

tion makes the real interest rates negative or low, which tends to incentivize more borrowing and investment.

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

As for commodity prices, Zhang said they have been strong this year and yields have been higher than expected, despite the weather challenges that included many parts of Iowa facing drought conditions during the growing season.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Iowa residents have new favorite when it comes to hard liquor

According to the Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division, Tito's Handmade Vodka now more popular than Black Velvet

BY BOB STEENSON

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

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

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

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

Iowa is one of 18 states that directly controls the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages. The ABD governs state and federal laws and regulations related to the sale and use of alcohol and tobacco products.

Profits made on the sales are used for specific purposes with the rest returned to the Iowa General Fund.

ABD Administrator Stephen Larson said the division generated a record \$150.1 million

in revenue that went to the state general fund (\$149 million) and the Iowa Economic Development Authority (\$1 million).

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

The ABD reported \$431,426,201 in liquor sales for the 2022 fiscal year. That's up 3.75 percent from the previous fiscal year's sales of \$415,835,178.

But fiscal year 2021 had increased 13.22 percent from the previous year, fiscal year 2020 had increased 8.17 percent and fiscal year 2019 had grown 6.09 percent.

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

The report says that total gal-

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

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

For the beer and wine sales, the amount of gallons sold is calculated by the amount of tax collected.

Since the Iowa governor ordered that during the pandemic taxes and tax reporting could be deferred, that resulted in an increase in gallons report in 2021, artificially inflating that fiscal year's numbers.

In Chickasaw County, sales

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

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The ABD annual report also includes statistics on enforcement roles, in alcohol law compliance and tobacco law compliance.

The report said the alcohol compliance unit performed 203 investigations and conducted 163 inspections, and the tobacco compliance unit said it trained 13,890 retail staff in the state's tobacco laws and conducted 3,371 tobacco compliance checks across the state with the help of local law enforcement.

The top five complaints regarding alcohol laws were:

1) Sale or service of alcohol to an under-age person.

2) Criminal activity on a

licensed premise.

3) Sale or service of alcohol to an intoxicated person.

4) Sale or service of alcohol after legal hours of sale.

5) Bootlegging.

"Selling or serving alcohol to an under-age person was identified as the No. 1 complaint submitted to the Regulatory Compliance Bureau during Fiscal Year 22 and accounted for 60 percent of the complaints received," the report said.

There were 12,211 alcohol licenses, permits and certificates active as of June 30, the report said.

The vast majority of those are Class C liquor licenses, which allow commercial establishments to sell liquor, wine and beer for on-premises consumption.

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Residents can still petition for an election

SHERIFF: FROM 1

When Hemann announced in late November that he was resigning, he had endorsed having Shawver be appointed as his replacement.

But board members — most notably Jake Hackman — wanted first to see if other deputies were interested and then decided to accept applications from the position.

So on Wednesday evening, in closed sessions, they interviewed Shawver and Floyd County Sheriff's Deputy Dan Sargent, the two of the four applicants who met the qualifications — at least 21 years old, have no felony convictions and be a certified peace officer — to be appointed a sheriff in the state.

And although he admitted that there were times he was frustrated with the process, Shawver said he understood it.

"Just like we have processes in the law enforcement world to minimize liability, so, too, do the supervisors," he said, "and I understand that. I'm very excited to get going, and I've learned a lot from all the people I've worked for and worked with."

SHAWVER DID NOT jump into law enforcement out of high school; instead, he went to North Iowa Area Community College in Mason City and obtained a degree in supervision and management.

He then went to work for his family's business, Shawver Well Company, for five years before accepting a job doing risk management compliance for AgVantage.

But the seeds of a career in law enforcement had been planted when he joined the Chickasaw County Rescue Squad and also worked for the Chickasaw Ambulance Service, which at the time was owned by Jim and Doreen Cook.



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Ryan Shawver (right), who will be appointed sheriff on Jan. 23, talks with Deputy Jordan Gansen while current Sheriff Marty Hemann looks over paperwork and dispatcher Nichole Ackerson works the radio at the Sheriff's Office Thursday morning.

"Guys like [paramedic] Kolby Kolbet and [former Chickasaw County Emergency Management Agency Director] Ken Rating had a huge influence on me," he said. "I talked to those guys, and those guys encouraged me. If you want to do it, do it," they said."

So in 2008, he applied for a job opening for an officer in the New Hampton Police Department, and Chief Mike Anderson hired him and sent him off to the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy in Ankeny.

Four years later, he went to the Sheriff's Office, working first for Marty Larsen, then Todd Miller and finally, Hemann, who named Shawver chief deputy when Reed Palo retired in 2021.

"Everyone of those guys taught me something," Shawver said, "and if you know them, you know they're all dif-

ferent. They have different personalities, but I'll tell you I got something from every one of them."

Shawver said he was especially appreciative of the responsibilities Hemann has given him.

"He's allowed me to take a lot on, and he's prepared me very well for what's next," Shawver said. "I'll always be grateful for what Marty's done for me."

SHAWVER'S GOAL of becoming a sheriff took form soon after Hemann was re-elected to a second term in 2020.

It was then that Hemann told his deputies and dispatchers that it would be his final term, that he would not seek re-election in 2024.

"That's when I started thinking this is something I'd like to do," he said,

"and when Chief Deputy Palo retired, then I figured I'd probably run in 2024. This came up a little faster than I thought it would, but as much as I'm going to miss working with Marty, I'm pretty excited to get going."

He says he doesn't expect to make many changes — pointing out that "we have a great group of people here" — and that he's ready to work for the people of the county, including Nashua and Fredericksburg residents.

The two cities have contracts with the Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement services; Nashua has a contract that averages 240 hours of patrol time a month while Fredericksburg's deal is for 85 hours a month.

"That doesn't mean if on the 28th, we've reached that number, we're not coming," he said.

"Just like Marty has always said, if

THE APPOINTMENT means that Shawver will fill out much of what remains in Hemann's term, which was supposed to run through Dec. 31.

Appointees serve until the results of the next general election, which happens to be in 2024, are canvassed and certified by the Board of Supervisors.

Although the new sheriff intends to run for election in 2024, there's still a chance he'll have to take part in a special election.

According to Iowa law, county residents have the "right to file a petition requiring that the vacancy be filled by special election."

A petition must be made within 14 days — or by Feb. 6 — of the appointment.

Nashua-Plainfield Calendar of Events JANUARY

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MONDAY, JANUARY 2

- 8:00am- 4:40pm Office Closed NH/ Chickasaw County
- 1:00pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament MS vs. Osage @ Osage HS
- 1:00pm Wrestling: Boys JV Tournament MS vs. Osage @ Osage HS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

- Foot Clinic by Breamer Co Health at Plainfield Library
- 4:00pm MBasketball: Girls JV Game vs. Riceville @ Riceville High School
- 5:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Riceville @ Riceville High School
- 6:00pm Wrestling: Varsity Quad vs. MS @ St. Ansgar High School MS GYM
- 6:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Riceville @ Riceville High School
- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Riceville @ Riceville High School

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

- 2:00pm- 3:30pm 6th grade boys basketball practice high school gym

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

- 4:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Central Springs @ Central Springs HS
- 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JH Game vs. Central Springs MS @ Central Springs
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys JH Game vs. Central Springs MS @ Nashua Plainfield HS
- 5:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Central Springs @ Central Springs
- 6:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Central Springs @ Central Springs
- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Central Springs @ Central Springs

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

- 4:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. West Fork @ West Fork High School
- 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JH Game vs. Riceville @ Nashua-Plainfield HS
- 4:30pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament vs. MS @ Central Community Junior-Senior High School
- 5:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. West Fork @ West Fork High School
- 6:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. West Fork @ West Fork High School
- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. West Fork @ West Fork High School

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

- 8:30am Wrestling: Varsity Invitational vs. MS @ Tripoli High School

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

- 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JH Game vs. West Fork MS @ West Fork Middle School (Rockwell)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

- 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JH Game vs. Charles City @ Nashua-Plainfield HS
- 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Rockford Senior @ Rockford Senior HS
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys JH Game vs.

2023 NASHUA-PLAINFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

Wellness Center

- 4:15pm Wrestling: Boys JH Meet vs. MS @ Charles City High School

- 5:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Newman Catholic @ Newman Catholic HS

- 5:15pm Basketball: Boys JH Game vs. Tripoli @ Nashua-Plainfield Husky Wellness Center

- 6:00pm Wrestling: Varsity Quad vs. MS @ Nashua-Plainfield High School

- 6:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. St. Ansgar @ St. Ansgar HS

- 7:45pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. St. Ansgar @ St. Ansgar High School

- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Newman Catholic @ Newman Catholic HS

- 8:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. St. Ansgar @ St. Ansgar HS

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Treasurer ready for retirement

By BOB FENSK
Of the Reporter

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

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

In her office, Breitbach sat with the man who replaced her this week and went over the details that had become almost second nature to her over the course of a 20-year career that came to an end on Friday, when work ended and retirement commenced.

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

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

December 30, 2022

The Board convened on Friday,

December 30, 2022, at 9:00 AM with

members Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn, and

Hackman present and Zoll Absent in

the Boardroom on the second floor of

the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa.

Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to

order. Also present were Auditor Sheila

Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner,

Terry Johnson, Bob Fenske, member of

media, incoming Supervisors Travis

Suckow and Scott Cervinske, Treasurer Sue

Breitbach, incoming Treasurer Matt Ys-

brand, and EMS Director Joel Knutson.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Breitbach to approve the agenda for De-

cember 30, 2022. Roll Call: Ayes-Breit-

bach, Byrne, Kuhn and Hackman.

Absent-Zoll Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Byrne to approve the meeting minutes

from December 27, 2022 with changes.

Roll Call: Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach,

Byrne, Kuhn and Hackman. Absent-Zoll

Motion carried.

Motion by Byrne, seconded by

Kuhn to approve Employment Contract

and Agreement with EMS Director starting

January 1, 2023 and ending December

31, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach,

Byrne, Kuhn and Hackman. Absent-Zoll

Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Byrne to approve EMS Holiday Policy

with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach,

Byrne, Kuhn and Hackman. Absent-Zoll

Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Byrne to approve the meeting minutes

from December 19, 2022 with changes.

Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn,

Zoll, and Hackman. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Chickasaw County Attorney, David

Laudner gave updates on 910 E Main

St and Nashua Tower. Attorney Launder

said thank you for your service and

wished the best to Supervisor Jason

Byrne and Supervisor Tim Zoll.

Discussed department updates with

Engineer Roman Lensing.

Discussed Conservation, Schroeder

Stewardship, Weed Commission, REAP,

and Saude Farm FY23-24 Budget Re-

quest.

Discussed department updates with

Conservation Director, Chad Humpal.

Discussed process of appointment to

fill the vacancy of Chickasaw County

sheriff.

Discussed dispatching and response

for the City of Alta Vista.

Discussed EMS department updates.

Discussed EMS Director's contract.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Byrne to acknowledge the part-time

hire Tim Shank as an EMT at the wage

of \$15.33 effective 1-1-2023, part-time

hire Duane Nie as a Driver at the wage of

\$13.00 effective 1-1-2023, part-time hire

Jason Rude as an EMR Certified Driver

at the wage of \$14.00 effective 1-1-2023

pending background check. Roll Call

Aye Byrne, Breitbach, Kuhn, Zoll, Hackman Motion Carried.

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Motion by Hackman, seconded by

Byrne to approve the meeting minutes

from December 19, 2022 with changes.

Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Byrne, Kuhn,

Zoll, and Hackman. Motion carried.

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Zoll, and

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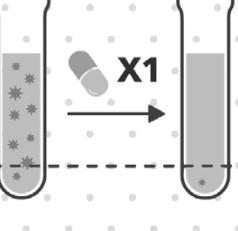
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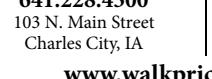
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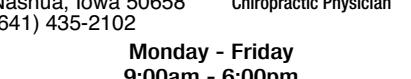
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Frosh contributing to Huskies' success

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played to a 27-27 tie at the break. N-P outscored Riceville 13-8 in the third period and by six points in the final stanza to pull away for good.

"We started out slow and careless with the ball," said Mueller. "We settled down a little in the second half and took control of the game."

Harrington was just 1-8 from beyond the three-point arc, but hit on nine field goal attempts and drained eight free throws. He continued his double-double dominance in 2022-2023 with 10 rebounds. He also came up with seven steals and turned the ball over just twice.

Mueller said Harrington is the total package and obviously is a load to stop for opposing defenses that try to focus on limiting his touches. The N-P head coach said it's Harrington's grit and determination that really sets him apart from some of the top scorers in Class 1A.

"Bo is as competitive a person I have ever been around. When you put together his will to win and his natural ability and also his leadership – you have the perfect combination," Mueller added.

N-P freshman Matthew Malven notched nine points and sank two 3-pointers. N-P senior forward Joel Winters ripped down 12 rebounds and amassed six points in the scoring column. Tucker Franzen, a junior, scored seven points, grabbed

six rebounds and dished out four assists.

N-P, 4-1 in conference games, played five freshmen in the game – which bodes well for the future of Husky basketball as those underclassmen are getting valuable varsity minutes out on the court.

Landon Foelske, one of those freshmen, nailed a 3-pointer and scored five points. Fellow freshmen Jase Hansen, Avery Mueller and Trent Rodruck also played in the non-conference tussle and are helping out N-P's cause with another victory.

"Trent gave us some strong minutes tonight with his rebounding and physical play," said Mueller.

Landon gave great effort and played with a lot of poise. Jase and Avery both are gaining confidence."

Mueller also mentioned freshman Jake Smith, who will also be in the mix for playing time the rest of the season.

"They will have some ups-and-downs, but the effort has been there every day with these guys," said Mueller.

Mueller feels his teams needs to do a better job on defense by not sending the opponent to the free-throw line by fouling. He also said N-P needs to take better care of the basketball.

With those 27 points, Harrington's career scoring total now stands at 916 – 84 points shy of amassing 1,000 points.

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Nashua-Plainfield's Landon Foelske puts up a shot in a game against Mason City Newman last month.

capitalize on N-P's sloppy play in the first half and came up with 20 steals. The Wildcats committed 31 fouls and sent the Huskies to the line 29 times – with N-P connecting on 17 of those charity-stripe shots. Riceville was led in scoring by Johnny Adams, who netted 17 points.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 56, RICEVILLE 45

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Tucker Franzen 2-8 2-2 7, Devin Johnson 1-3 0-0 2, Bo Harrington

3-point field goals - Franzen 1-6, Johnson 0-2, Harrington 1-8, Malven 2-4, Foelske 1-2, Mueller 0-1.

Rebounds - Winters 12, Harrington 10, Franzen 6, Malven 3, Rodruck 2, Foelske 1, Hansen 1, Johnson 1.

Assists - Franzen 4, Malven 3, Harrington 2, Winters 2.

Steals - Harrington 7, Franzen 2, Malven 2, Foelske 1.

Blocks - Franzen 1.

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Pratt puts up solid game against 13th-ranked Wildcats

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(9-1), which has won nine games in a row after a season-opening loss at Osage, saw the Wildcats jump out to 15-6 first-quarter lead and hold a 34-10 advantage at the break.

N-P managed to play the Wildcats about even-up in the second half as Riceville outscored N-P, 20-16, the rest of the way.

This was the first game back for senior captain Bailey Fisher, one of Smith's top reserves from a year ago.

Fisher will ease back into the rotation after sitting out the first half of the season because of a broken finger. She did not score and attempted one shot in her role off the bench.

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the flow, but it was definitely a boost getting her back," Smith added.

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Nashua-Plainfield to wrestle at Tripoli this weekend

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could hear the Green Devils starting to rev up their engine as the big boys were getting ready to hit the mat.

Anders Kittelson, ranked third, tech fell to No. 5 Kendrick Huck at 132 and this proceeded to bring on an onslaught of pins by Osage – which fell just a half point short of the top 2A trophy at the traditional state tournament to Burlington Notre Dame last winter.

Osage has finished runner-up at the traditional state tournament a startling 13 times.

N-P senior Kaden Wilken looked to have slowed Osage's roll at 138 as he put Darren Adams on his back at the end of the first period, but time ran out. Adams proved his mettle by sticking Wilken in stunning fashion right as the third period clock almost reached double zeroes.

"It was close a couple times. We just got out of position," said Frost. "Kaden wrestles a funky style – sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't. He caught up in it in the end."

The talent and discipline of Osage won out on this night.

"Osage – very, very, very few times you're ever going to get them out of position," said Frost. "You can't junk around."

Returning state champs Nicholas Fox (170) and Barrett Muller (220) – each Green Devil ranked No. 1 – earned pins over their Husky opponents.

Tate White, a Husky junior ranked 12th at 182, saved face for N-P as he battled back from a 6-1 deficit to pin No. 11 Ledger Nehls in the second period.

N-P steamrolled St. Ansgar to start the night by a score of 81-0.

"St. Ansgar was our biggest focus," said Frost. "We gotta seem them in the district meet. Other than the conference meet, we're not going to see Osage again."

The Huskies placed seventh in the Class 1A state dual meet last year and sixth in the traditional tournament.

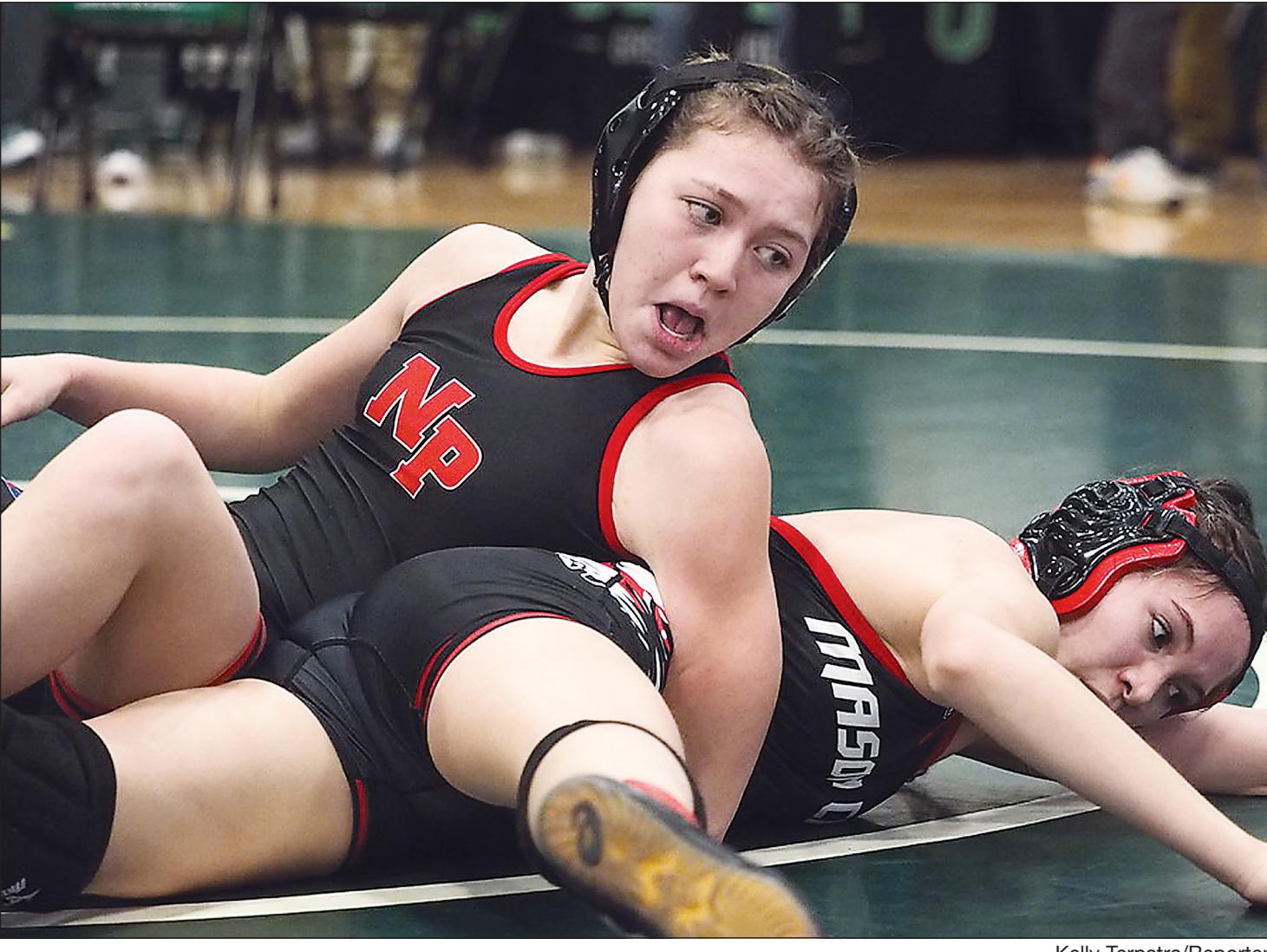
N-P gets back at it at the Tripoli Invite this Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

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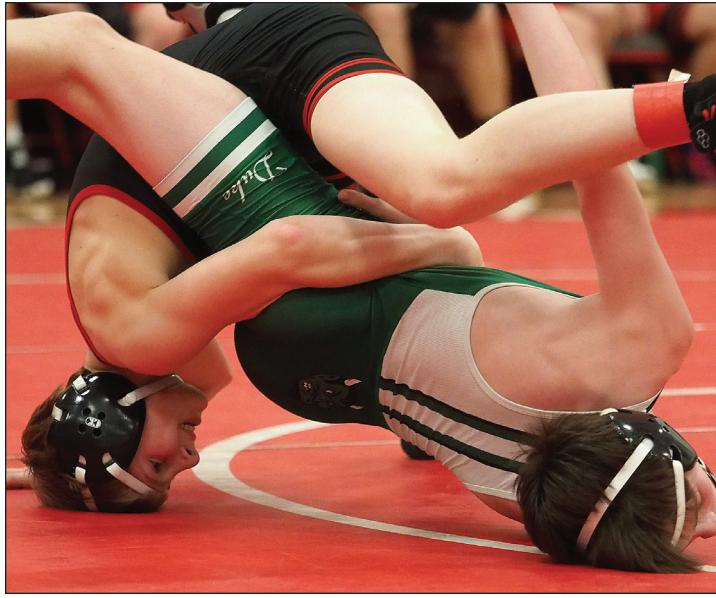
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Nashua-Plainfield's Ryan Reams (above) looks to keep control of Mason City's Kamina Munson while teammate Amberley Gerholdt (below) tries to find an opening against Osage's Mackenzie Brown at Monday's tournament.



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Nashua-Plainfield's Jayden Rinken (above) gets upside down in his match and Hayden Munn (below) grabs a St. Ansgar wrestler's leg during a triangular held at St. Ansgar Thursday.

2A top-ranked Green Devils top No. 3 N-P

Huskies open night with rout of St. Ansgar before falling to Osage

BY KELLY TERPSTRA

Of the Reporter

Believe the hype.

And that's saying something, because the Osage Green Devils that good.

The No. 1 ranked team in Class 2A left little doubt in much-anticipated dual versus No. 3 Nashua-Plainfield on Thursday evening in St. Ansgar.

Osage – the predominant favorite to capture both the traditional and state dual championships later this winter – rolled to an impressive and unquestioned 55-21 win over Al Frost's Huskies.

Just how good are the Green Devils?

Ask Frost, who like Green Devil coach Brent Jennings, earned wins No. 500 in their storied coaching career right before Christmas break.

"We kind of knew we were out of our league right there wrestling Osage," said Frost. "As far as I'm concerned they're one of the best teams in the state, if not the best team in the state – 1A, 2A or 3A. They're solid."

The Green Devils mauled the Huskies – flexing their muscles courtesy of 10 ranked wrestlers, two of them returning state champs – with seven pins against a Husky team that itself sports two No. 1 ranked wrestlers in the Rinken brothers, Jayden and Garret.

So, yes, N-P (15-3) isn't exactly chopped liver.

But by that same token, the Huskies probably aren't a Rolls Royce like Osage is, either – yet.

That was clearly evident in the Top of Iowa Conference dual showdown that demonstrated the Green Devils have plenty of grit and guts to go along with their shiny exterior.

"We would have had to pull some real big upsets if we were going to win that dual. It really would have been a miracle," said Frost, in his 33rd year coaching at N-P.

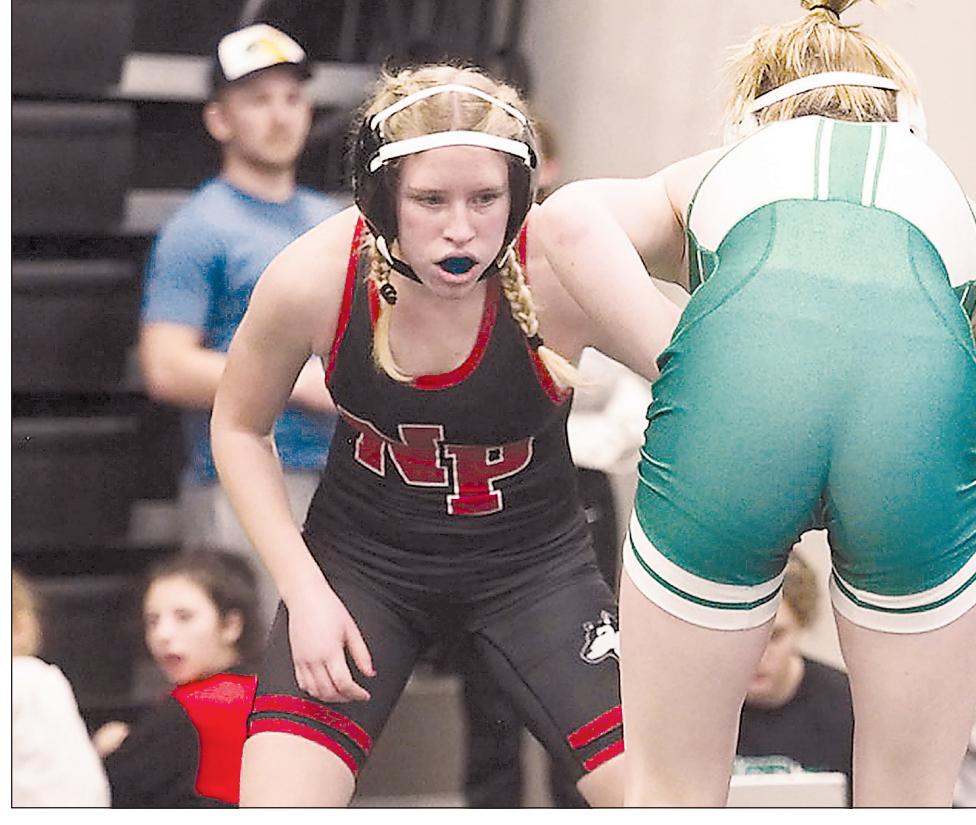
The fancy wheels of this Green Devil machine put on a display of horsepower as Jennings' highly-touted bunch put down statement after statement out on the mat after trailing, 15-12, early to N-P.

"I told the guys we have to go in with a nothing-to-lose attitude and just go out and battle," said Frost. "In some cases we did and in some cases we didn't."

Jayden Rinken pinned Tysen Stangel in 5:08 at 106 pounds. That decisive victory for N-P was followed by eighth-ranked Nic Brase's workman-like 11-5 decision a match later at 113 pounds. Blake Fox, ranked No. 2 at 120 pounds, proceeded to pin Hayden Munn in the third period as the Green Devils took a 12-9 lead. Garret Rinken wasted little time in earning a pin as he stuck Ty Voight in a little over a minute at 126.

That left the score at 15-12 in the Huskies' favor, but you

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Tucker Franzen drives to the hoop in a game against North Butler last month.



Big second half lifts N-P boys to non-league win

Harrington throws in a half-court buzzer beater to his repertoire as Huskies top Riceville, 56-45

BY KELLY TERPSTRA

Of the Reporter

In a game that saw Bo Harrington sink a half-court shot right before the first-quarter buzzer sounded – the Nashua-Plainfield Huskies continued its winning ways on Tuesday in Riceville.

With a 56-45 victory over the hosting Wildcats, Matt Mueller's Huskies are now 5-2 on the season and will tangle on the road in its next two contests. N-P played at Central Springs on Thursday and at undefeated West Fork (5-0, 5-0) tonight (Friday).

Harrington continued his rapid rate of scoring as he shredded the Wildcats defense

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield's Marleigh Lowe gets a shot off in the lane during a game against North Butler last month.

Nashua-Plainfield girls fall to a red-hot, ranked Riceville squad

BY KELLY TERPSTRA

Of the Reporter

Thirteenth-ranked Riceville sports two star senior players in Madison Mauer and Joy Beran.

That's quite a luxury to have when competing in the small-school hoops class in the state of Iowa.

Each of those two standout Wildcats helped contribute to

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