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Little Brown Church Pastor Drew McHolm (right) prays as members of his congregation “lay hands” on the church’s new associate pastor, Sam Rambo, and his family during Sunday’s installation ceremony.

A WARM WELCOME

FAMED LITTLE BROWN CHURCH INSTALLS A NEW ASSOCIATE PASTOR

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

It ended up being a homecoming for Sam Rambo when Pastor Drew McHolm and his wife Jesse invited the new associate pastor of the Little Brown Church and his family to share in the joy of Christmas last month.

Rambo and his wife Carolina have decided

to stick around for awhile and the parishioners of the historic 150-year old church located in Nashua should be better off because of it.

Rambo was introduced to the church on Sunday, as McHolm welcomed Rambo and his family with open arms.

There’s been no word if McHolm and Rambo are planning on producing and starring in any blockbuster movies this summer.

“Just to let you know, Sam’s got a unique name – as you could well understand. I’m officially changing my name to Drew Schwarzenegger because I think that would be very attractive to most people,” laughed McHolm.

All joking aside, Rambo – a Cedar Rapids native – will work part-time as associate pastor

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County is looking for new tower site

Cerwinski tells fellow supervisors that he has contacted rural landowner about land

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Chickasaw County is looking for new ground.

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors is weighing its options after the city of Nashua denied a special land-use permit last week to allow the county the ability to build a 300-foot mobile radio communications tower near the Avenue of the Saints but inside the city limits of that town.

Board member Scott Cerwinski said he has been in contact with a property owner that owns land that is just down the road from where the county wanted to construct a \$250,000 mobile tower on a small parcel of non-farmable ground near Amherst Boulevard in Nashua.

Cerwinski said the elevation of the potential small piece of acreage is not a whole lot different than the prior spot where the county was planning on

building the tower.

Board member Jacob Hackman had this to say last Tuesday afternoon prior to Nashua’s vote on the matter that evening.

“I think it’s time to move on into the country and find a new location outside the city of Nashua,” said Hackman.

Hackman said there is ground nearby that may work for construction of the tower, but that land is in Floyd County. The county preferred this particular site inside the Nashua city limits because of its height and ability to transmit its signal to another tower in Bremer County, specifically Waverly.

The communications tower would be utilized by law enforcement and other local agencies. Along with police and the sheriff’s department – EMS, secondary roads, city workers and state agencies would also

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Bob Fenske/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield’s Bo Harrington is fouled Thursday night as he scores the 998th and 999th points of his career, and moments later, he knocked down a free throw to join the 1,000-point club.

Like mom, like son

Three decades after mom set scoring mark, Harrington joins 1,000-point club

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Maybe it’s the genes that the mother passed down to her youngest son; after all, Shelly (Lines) Harrington and Bo Harrington have a penchant for putting the basketball into the hoop.

Thirty-two years ago, Lines left Nashua-Plainfield as its all-time leading scorer in 6-on-6 basketball with 2,187 points.

Thursday night, her son joined a pretty exclusive club when he joined the 1,000-point club in the Huskies’ 72-42 win over Postville.

And he did it in style, too. Needing 16 points to become the fourth member of the club at Nashua-Plainfield, Harrington reached the milestone on an old-fashioned three-point play with 5:51 left in the second quarter.

“I don’t like to count points,” he said with a smile after the game, “even though

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Too cold outside? Go indoors to get fit

By DOROTHY HUBER
Of the Reporter

The number of excuses for *not* working out are only limited by one's imagination. But with so many resources in the area that offer a variety

of ways to get in shape, a lack of facilities shouldn't be one of those excuses. It might be anyway, but really, it shouldn't be. All fitness facilities that are listed here — the Chickasaw Wellness Complex in New

Hampton, the Husky Wellness Center in Nashua and the facility at Turkey Valley — all have state of the art weight-lifting equipment, with treadmills, ellipticals and stationary bikes. The membership fees are pretty simple at Turkey Valley, but in the case of the other two facilities, the options are too numerous to spell out. Brandy Hoffman of the Husky Wellness Center pointed out at certain times her facility had 20 different pricing options, although she is trying to streamline that process.

NASHUA'S HUSKY WELLNESS CENTER opened in 2013, but director Brandy Hoffman is a newcomer, starting as the Director in September of last year.

While she's still figuring out the dynamics of directing a facility that's both school and community focused, she is helped out by five staff members, five fitness instructors and an "amazing" custodian. One thing that changes in 2023 is that fitness classes are free for members. The catch may be the time they are held, as workout classes, kettlebell and spin classes begin at 5:15. In the morning. A lower intensity workout takes place two days a week and starts at



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A nice open area at the Husky Wellness Complex is located in the upstairs balcony and is used for kickboxing and practicing golf swings into nets. In the photo at left is some of the equipment at the facility.

6:15... still in the morning. "We usually have a group of 5-10 people in the mornings," Hoffman said. "We did just add yoga on Saturday mornings at 8 a.m. This is a new offering which we paired with tumbling so that parents can participate in yoga while their kiddos attend tumbling."

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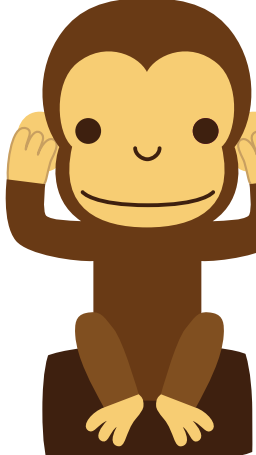
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Area facilities offer much to those who want to get in shape

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The ages for tumbling classes are 3-8 years old. Hours for the facility vary, but at this time of the year regular hours are 5 to 8 a.m. Monday through Friday, 4 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 to 11 a.m. Saturdays and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays. However, the extended pass allow patrons to access the strength/cardio rooms from 4 a.m. to 11 p.m. seven days a week and access to the field house — which includes the walking track and courts — Friday 3-8 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

“The weight and cardio room are by far the most used year round,” said Hoffman. “But in the winter time we see a lot of people come in to walk the track. We also have an Adult Volleyball League on Sundays which kicked off Jan. 8.”

There’s also a “track pass” for \$2 each time, which allows admission to those who only want to walk the track. Day passes are \$5 and 10-punch passes \$35. Month passes are offered, plus two-week extended access passes and three-month memberships. Family, couple, single, student, senior couple and senior single memberships are available, plus extended access for all those memberships for an additional fee.

The objective of the Husky Wellness Center seems to view “wellness” as more than just fitness. “The National Honor Society uses the facility two times a year for a Red Cross blood drive,” said the director. “And we just had a Wellness exam, where Allen Hospital came, they drew blood and did tests for greatly reduced prices.”

Community involvement is a big goal.

“We are always looking for someone to share their talents whether that be couponing, budgeting, crocheting, photography, etc., and we have a form on the website for community members to complete to share ideas.”

Hoffman, whose “day job” is for CUNA Mutual, is passionate about finances and is looking to do some type of financial literacy classes. “Being new to this role I am eager to try new things to help the student body and community.”

THE CHICKASAW WELLNESS COMPLEX in New Hampton is the biggest facility in the area, at least in the form of employees. Cydney Holschlag and Sarah Robinson were named co-directors in March, but there are 14 other “staff members” listed.

That helps cover the hours they are open: Monday through Thursday from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. There is also a 24/7 access pass.

Patrons may choose a day pass for \$6.50, a punch pass — good for 10 trips — for \$46 or a month pass for \$65. There are also family, couple, single, student, senior couple and senior single rates, and all of them have the 24/7 option.

Among the cardio equipment available are eight treadmills, three recumbent bikes, three ellipticals, two upright bikes, a NuStep machine and an adaptive motion trainer, which is a type of elliptical, but more versatile. “You can walk, run, climb on them,” said Holschlag. “It is easier on the knees and joints than a treadmill which makes them popular.”

For those wanting to tone or strengthen, circuit training stations — complete with

information on how to use the machine and which muscles will be targeted — are available, along with 5,000 pounds of free weights.

Always on the lookout to improve, Holschlag says they are saving for another NuStep machine.

“That’s really popular with our elderly population, especially someone with a knee or hip replacement, it’s very low risk.”

Shortly after Robinson and Holschlag were named co-directors in March, they faced challenges.

“We had a water main break we’re dealing with,” she said. “We’re trying to get things updated but it takes money and we can’t get everything done at once.”

They’ve also had a decrease in participation in their classes offered. The CWC offers classes from kettlebells to spin classes to high interval training and yoga.

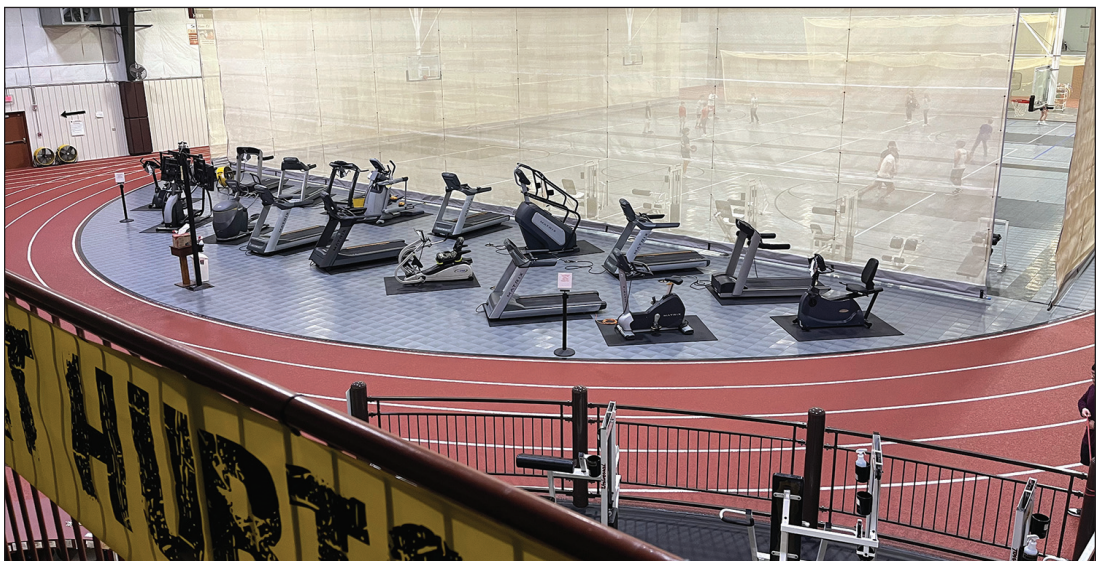
Holschlag hopes class sizes, which saw a drop off during COVID, pick up again soon. The classes run in six-week sessions, with the next session to begin sometime in February.

When the complex opened in 2004, there was a need for more space for the nearby high school to send athletes. That changed with the construction of a second gym at New Hampton High.

“When the weather is bad in the spring some track kids will run on our track and some will do batting practice but it’s kept to a minimum.”

Wrestling practice is no longer held at the CWC, so there’s room for something else in that room, the directors just don’t know what yet.

“The carpentry class at the high school came in and put in new flooring in the old wrestling room, it saved us a ton on installation fees and they got



Dorothy Huber/Reporter

A curtain separates cardio machines from a basketball court at the Chickasaw Wellness Complex in New Hampton in order to keep patrons from getting bonked in the head with a basketball. At right are the facilities at the Turkey Valley School.

experience,” said Holschlag of the November project. “They carried all the flooring up, they worked really, really hard.”

While other amenities, like a racquetball court, a locker room, steam room and, of course, the track, make the facility attractive, Holschlag pointed to what she thought the best part of the CWC was.

“I think it’s our friendly atmosphere,” she said. “Our members come first, the staff knows a lot of them on a first-name basis and we’re here to help.”

THE OPTIONS AT TURKEY VALLEY.... well, there are no options. Only members are allowed into the facility.

While the center is geared to help Trojan athletic teams become faster and stronger, with a wide range of weight machines and free weights, there are four treadmills, three stationary bikes and three ellipticals for cardio, plus an open area for the possible use of the step aerobic equipment, exercise balls and kettlebells that are stored along the side.

Hours are also geared toward students and athletes, as at this time of the year the facility is



not open during school hours or during practice time after school. It is open from 5:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., but when school is not in session — during summer months and the two weeks during Christmas — it’s a 24/7 facility.

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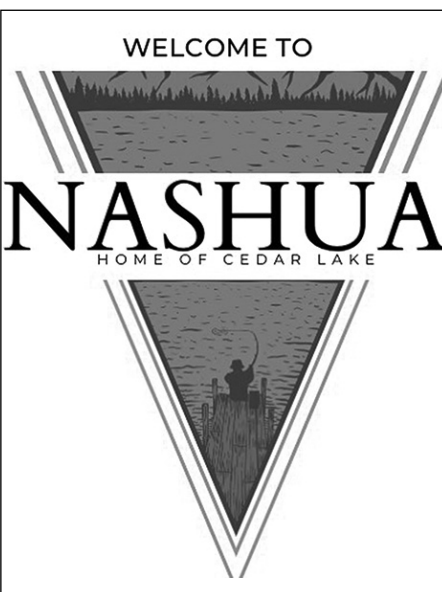
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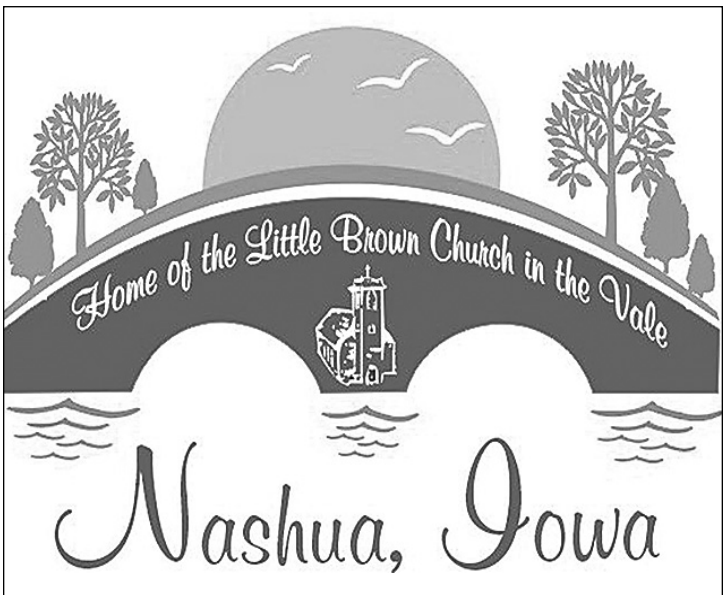
By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
Of the Reporter

And the winner is... The countdown has begun and there are just days remaining before Big 4 Chamber of Commerce President Val Johnson announces to the Nashua City Council on Monday the winner of the city logo election run-off winner. The two competing logos went neck-and-neck and finished in a near dead-locked tie in votes to determine which finalist would come out on top after online voting on social media was completed.

Johnson remarkably said the voting contest between the logo finalists came down to a single vote – 104 to 103. Johnson broke that news to the City



Council at a Jan. 3 regular city council meeting. She also said that because of the closeness of the race, votes have been tabulated once more on Facebook in an online contest where the winner will be determined by how many num-



ber of “likes” each logo receives. Johnson was also able to get Nashua-Plainfield schools involved in the voting process. She said students at Nashua-Plainfield Elementary School voted on which city logo they liked best on Monday and Tuesday of this week. The middle school and high school students at N-P voted on Wednesday.

Johnson also said after the final results are revealed to the public and Nashua finds out what it's 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.

Board set fee schedule for ambulance service

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use the ISICS (Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System) that the tower provides. The Board also approved to pay five percent (\$122,00) of a remaining Motorola Services contract for a radio project. Joel Knutson, the new director of the Chickasaw County EMS, was in attendance to discuss his proposed budget. The Board passed the 2023 ambulance fee schedule as listed on file. Hackman made the motion to approve that schedule and Cerwinski seconded the motion. All board members approved the new EMS rates for the calendar year. Knutson said the rates were derived from a sampling of other services in the district. “For those not familiar, insurance chooses to pay what they want. You have to have a fee schedule,” said Knutson. For \$5,400, the board voted to decal one of the EMS' ambulances. ARPA funds would be used for that work to be done. Water quality at the Heritage Building Center was also brought up. Board Chair

Matthew Kuhn had this to say about the \$10,000 project that could affect the bacterial growth of the septic system at that building by using water softeners. “They're looking at changing where the bleach or the chlorine – where that goes in. Right now the stuff gets done ahead of the pressure tanks. He's talking about doing it after the pressure tanks,” said Kuhn. Kathy Lechtenberg, a clerk in the Auditor's office, has submitted her resignation – effective Feb. 17. Currently Lechtenberg is on medical leave, but the Board wants to fill her position as early as next month. The Board voted to allow County Auditor Shelia Shekleton to hire a potential replacement for Lechtenberg by Feb. 6. Lechtenberg would train that new hire for two weeks when she is back from medical leave. The County has yet to conduct interviews to hire that clerk position. Liz Zweibohmer was appointed to serve on the Eastern Iowa Tourism Association Committee and Chickasaw County Assessor Ray Arnel was picked as Land Use Administrator/Flood Plain Manager.

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to Iowa Code section 69.14A(2)(a), 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. Said appointment will be made at 9:30 a.m. during the regular business meeting on January 23, 2023, which takes place on the second floor of the Chickasaw County Courthouse in New Hampton. **YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that pursuant to Iowa Code section 69.14A(2)(a)(1), the appointment shall be for the period until the next general election in November of 2024, but the electors of Chickasaw County have the right to file a petition requiring that the vacancy be filled by special election. Said petition must be filed with the Chickasaw County Auditor within fourteen days after the appointment is made and in accordance with the procedures set forth in Iowa Code sections 69.14A(2)(a)(2) and 331.306. Dated this 4th day of January, 2023. Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
January 4, 2023
The Board convened on Tuesday, January 4, 2023, at 6:00 PM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman present 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 Shelia Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Kennan Seda, Sheriff Martin Hemann, sheriff applicant Ryan Shawver, and sheriff applicant Dan Sargent. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for January 4, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Suckow, Seconded by Breitbach to enter closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) “[t]o evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” At 6:05 PM Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion

carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to exit closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) “[t]o evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” At 6:37 PM Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. 6:40 PM Recessed 7:00 PM Reconvened Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to enter closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) “[t]o evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” At 7:01 PM Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinski to exit closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) “[t]o evaluate the professional competency

of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.” At 7:52 PM Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Cerwinski, Seconded by Breitbach to set a time, to appoint Ryan Shawver as Chickasaw County Sheriff which will be at 9:30 AM, January 23, 2023, during the regular meeting, which takes place on the second floor of the Chickasaw County Courthouse in New Hampton. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Cerwinski, Seconded by Cerwinski to adjourn at 7:55 PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Shelia Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
January 3, 2023
The Board convened on Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 12:30 PM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman present 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 Shelia Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, Kathy Shekleton, Kennan Seda, Bob Fenske, member of media, Community Action Trisha Wilkens, Suellen Kolbet, Sheriff Martin Hemann, Deputy Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Engineer Roman Lensing, and EMA Jeff Bernatz. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for January 3, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Breitbach, Seconded by Suckow to approve the meeting minutes from December 30, 2022 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Nay-Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach to nominated Kuhn as Chairman for the calendar year 2023. Failed to get a second Kuhn requested nominations for Chair for calendar year 2023. Breitbach nominates Kuhn to be Chair. Hackman nominates Hackman to be Chair. Roll Call: Breitbach voted for Kuhn Suckow voted for Kuhn Kuhn voted for Kuhn Cerwinski voted for Kuhn Hackman voted for Hackman Matthew Kuhn will be Chair for calendar year 2023. Kuhn requested nominations for Vice-Chair for calendar year 2023. Cerwinski nominates Cerwinski for Vice-Chair. Roll Call: Breitbach voted for Cerwinski Suckow voted for Cerwinski Kuhn voted for Cerwinski Cerwinski voted for Cerwinski Hackman voted for Not him. Scott Cerwinski will be Vice-Chair for calendar year 2023.

Chariman Kuhn appoint the Board of Supervisors to committee assignments. Community Action, Trisha Wilkens presented at 1:30 PM Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to appoint the custodians of the following buildings in compliance with the Code of Iowa: Courthouse, Auditor under the direction of the Supervisors. Community Services Building: Supervisors and Auditor. Law Enforcement Buildings: Supervisors and Sheriff. Chickasaw Heritage Building Center: Supervisors. Chickasaw County Services Buildings: Supervisors. LEMC: Supervisors. Twin Ponds Nature Center: Chickasaw Conservation Director. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn,

Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Cerwinski, Seconded by Breitbach to approve RESOLUTION # 01-03-23-03 and authorize Chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. CONSTRUCTION EVALUATION RESOLUTION WHEREAS, Iowa Code section 459.304(3) sets out the procedure if a board of supervisors wishes to adopt a “construction evaluation resolution” relating to the construction of a confinement feeding operation structure; / ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chair ATTEST: /ss/ Shelia Shekleton, Auditor Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinski to approve to RESOLUTION 01-03-23-04. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski, Suckow and Kuhn. Motion Carried. RESOLUTION NO. 01-03-23-04 PRIOR PAYMENT OF BILLS WHEREAS, at certain times it is necessary to pay bills prior to an official Board of Supervisors meeting in order to allow for the efficient operation of county government. Ayes /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Scott Cerwinski, Jacob Hackman, and Travis Suckow. Nays: None. ATTEST: /ss/ Shelia Shekleton, Auditor Motion by Breitbach, Seconded by Suckow to appoint the Fredericksburg Review, the New Hampton Tribune and Nashua Reporter as the County's official newspaper. Roll Call: Ayes- Breitbach, Suckow, Hackman, Cerwinski, Kuhn. Motion Carried.

Motion by Breitbach, Seconded by Cerwinski to set regular Supervisor meetings every Monday to convene at 9:00 AM in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Courthouse. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Suckow, Cerwinski, Breitbach and Kuhn. Motion Carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to set the mileage reimbursement at the 2023 IRS rate (65.5) cents. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski, Breitbach, Suckow, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to set meal reimbursements not to exceed the \$30 per day for outside Chickasaw County limits with the procurement of a detailed receipt. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Suckow, Cerwinski, and Kuhn. Nays- Breitbach. Motion Carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to set Precinct Election Official (PEO) wages at \$15.00 per hour and the mileage reimbursement at the 2023 IRS rate (65.5) cents. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski, Breitbach, Suckow, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to set the mileage rate and fee schedule for service of civil papers with the correction of the mileage rate. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski,

Breitbach, Suckow, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. Discussed contract cities and drive thru services and dispatching for law enforcement. Discussed Attorney, David Laudner FY 2023-2024 Budget. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to approve RESOLUTION #01-03-23-01 RESOLUTION FOR A COUNTY TO DELEGATE CONTRACT SIGNING IN DOC EXPRESS Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski, Breitbach, Suckow, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, hereafter referred to as “the Board”, believes the Bridge Replacement Project BROS-SWAP-CO19(110)—SE-19, hereafter referred to as “the project” is in the best interest of Chickasaw County, Iowa, and the residents thereof. The project is defined as Bridge Replacement Project – CCS on Odessa Avenue, over East Wapsipinicon River, S16, T95, R12; Dated at Chickasaw County, Iowa, this 3rd day of January, 2023 Ayes: /ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Scott Cerwinski, Jacob Hackman, Steve Breitbach, and Travis Suckow. Nays: None. ATTEST: /ss/ Shelia Shekleton, Auditor Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinski to approve bids for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project BROS-SWAP-CO19(110)—SE-19 on Odessa Avenue over East Fork Wapsipinicon River (Section 16, T95, R12) let through the Iowa DOT on December 20, 2022; award contract to Brennan Construction Co. for \$1,146,333.97 and authorize Chickasaw County Engineer Roman Lensing to sign on the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors' behalf. Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski, Breitbach, Suckow, and Kuhn. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to approve RESOLUTION 01-03-23-05 Roll Call: Ayes- Hackman, Cerwinski, Breitbach, Suckow, and Kuhn. Motion Carried. WHEREAS, unforeseen weather conditions do frequently damage the Chickasaw County Secondary Roads, thereby creating situations that are hazardous to the traveling public, and that the foregoing Resolution be adopted as read. Ayes: /ss/Matthew Kuhn, Scott Cerwinski, Jacob Hackman, Steve Breitbach, and Travis Suckow. Nays: None. ATTEST: /ss/ Shelia Shekleton, Auditor Discussed new proposed Tower site. Discussed EMA FY 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to approve FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF RADIO COMMUNICATION PROJECT and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to appoint Austin Niewoehner as FREDERICKSBURG BENEFITED FIRE DISTRICT MEMBER to a three-year term that expire December 31, 2025. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion

carried. Motion Hackman, Seconded Breitbach to appoint Matthew Kuhn to the Hotel-Motel Committee. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinski to appoint Joel Knutson, Jeff Bernatz, Toni Friedrich, and India May as the Medical Examiner Investigators. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to appoint Keith Elenz as Veterans Affairs Administrator. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to place Eminent Domain Compensation commission list on file at the Chickasaw County Auditor's office. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to appoint Chad Humpal as Landfill Manager. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to designate Karen Henry with Community Action as General Relief Director. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to acknowledge Kathy Lechtenberg's, auditor's office, retirement effective February 17, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Suckow to acknowledge 20/20 FX invoice for \$4,382.40. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinski to approve claim amounts of \$151,054.25. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to approve claim amounts of \$2,572.72. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS Hackman-CSS rescheduled meeting Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to adjourn at 3:30 PM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski and Hackman. Motion carried. Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Shelia Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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Student Briefs

Wartburg term dean's list

Wartburg College has recognized 474 students who were named to the 2022 Fall Term Dean's List. Those honored included Makenzie Foelske of Nashua and Rebecca Hoffman of Ionia. The list honors students who earned a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above in at least four course credits during the term. Three of the four course credits have to be graded with a traditional letter grade.

Iowa State graduates

Nearly 1,800 graduates received degrees from Iowa State University in December. Graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held Dec. 16-17 at Hilton Coliseum. Graduates from the area, their majors and honors include: Ionia: Lexie Maloy, Bachelor of Science, Agronomy, Magna Cum Laude. Nashua: Nicole Harrington, Bachelor of Science, Management, Cum Laude; Ashton Lamborn, Bachelor of Industrial Design, Industrial Design.



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Former Nashua employee pleads guilty to falsifying reports

By BOB STEENSON
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A former Nashua city employee who was recently charged in federal court with falsifying city water system tests almost five years ago has filed a notice she intends to plead guilty.

According to an indictment filed at the end of December in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Iowa, Jeffrey A. Smith, who was then operator-in-charge of the Nashua Water Supply, falsified documents submitted to the Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA) that were supposed to report the results of daily chlorine concentration tests in the water supply, when in reality the tests had not been done.

The report listed four tests taken over two days that had not been done. Smith was charged with one count of making and using false documents.

On Tuesday, Smith's attorney, Judith O'Donohoe of Charles City, filed notice in the federal court that Smith would plead guilty to the charge.

Nashua was operating its water system under a permit that had been

issued by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, under the authority of the EPA and the federal Safe Water Drinking Act.

The Iowa DNR requires a public water system to have a certified operator monitor the drinking water supply for certain disinfectants, including chlorine, conduct daily testing of that disinfectant's use, and submit groundwater monthly operation reports to the state, the indictment said.

As the operator-in-charge of Nashua Water Supply since 2016, Smith was responsible for testing the water, as

well as completing, signing, and submitting the monthly operating reports to the Iowa DNR.

"On or about February 10 and 11, 2018, in the Northern District of Iowa, defendant Jeffry A. Smith did willfully and knowingly make and use false writings and documents, knowing the same to contain materially false, fictitious, and fraudulent statements and entries," the indictment said.

It says that Smith reported that four chlorine samples had been taken on Jan. 20 and 21, 2018, in a Groundwater Monthly Operation

Report that was submitted to the Iowa DNR in February.

The report certified that it was "true, complete and accurate," but those four tests had not actually been taken, the indictment says.

According to the notice to plead guilty, if a federal magistrate judge recommends the plea be accepted, a presentence investigation and report will be prepared and then a U.S. District Court judge will decide whether to accept or reject the guilty plea, and if the judge decides to accept it, the judge will impose sentence.

Sister will honor her brother with a grief program

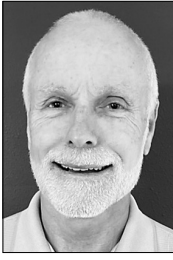
Speakers and music on top for the Saturday event at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home

By BOB FENSKE
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Connie Njus will be the first to tell you how much her brother touched her life and how passionate she is to honor his legacy...and, that led to her planning "An Inside Look at Grief: A Christian Perspective Inspired by Faith," a program that she will lead this Saturday morning at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory to honor her brother, Keith Weigel, who passed away in September at the age of 66.



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discuss how he still deals with the grief resulting from the loss of his brother as a teenager.

"We have a number of different perspectives, and to have all these people willing to share their stories, it means the world to me," Njus said.



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"If one person walks away with just a sliver of peace in their heart when we're done, then we know this was worth doing."

Njus added that one of her hopes is that "someone will step out of their comfort zone to allow growth in their suffering."

"An Inside Look at Grief" will also serve as a bridge, of sorts, to the GriefShare program that she and Frese help facilitate locally.

Njus said that the next GriefShare program will begin on Monday, Feb. 20, and will run for 13 Mondays at Prairie Lakes Church in New Hampton from 6 to 8 p.m.

Njus also reminded residents that Prairie Lakes Church in New Hampton will host an inspirational speaker on the subject of suicide from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 5.

Plum Creek will hold reception for artist this Sunday afternoon

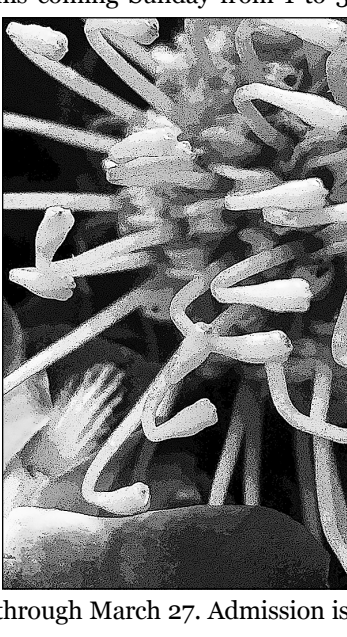
Plum Creek Art Center in Fredericksburg will open its newest special exhibit by Molly Dillon this coming Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. during an artist reception at the Connie Mohr Gallery, 115 W. Main St.

Dillon is a gifted photographer who received a four-year tuition free scholarship to study fine art at UNI. Her passion is photography. Her work captures bright, vivid colors blending images into photographs with painting like qualities.

Dillon worked for 23 years as a graphic artist at Dodd Printing and Stationery in Fort Madison. Then she returned to photography and has received several awards and honors for her photos at art shows throughout Iowa.

The exhibit of Dillon's photography is free and open to the public and will be on display through March 27. Admission is always free.

Plum Creek Art/Connie Mohr Gallery, 115 W. Main St, Fredericksburg, is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization which seeks to promote art, art education for children and adults and offer local artists space to display their work.



Salvation Army's Chickasaw County unit has another solid Red Kettle Campaign

By BOB FENSKE
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It wasn't a record year for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign, but all in all, the director of the Chickasaw County unit of the charitable organization will take it.

The campaign that ran from Nov. 17 through Christmas Eve brought in \$13,260.47, a number that Kris Markham — whose family's funeral home, Conway-Markham, serves as

the Salvation Army unit in the county — will allow the unit to help a number of people.

"We had some challenges — the extreme cold the last week [of the campaign], the cold and flu bug that swept through took down a lot of volunteers," Markham said, "but we really appreciate the generosity of people in our county. We have so many people to thank, and we appreciate everyone who contributed to the campaign."

She said more than 150 residents volunteered to ring the bell at Fareway in New Hampton. That included individuals, organizations and families. Markham said St. Joseph Community School, for example, took an entire week of shifts.

Markham said the campaign will allow the Salvation Army to continue to provide a variety of services — ranging from helping with rent to providing emergency housing to donating funds to area schools for coats, boots and

snowpants.

The latter was done this year as the Salvation Army donated \$1,000 to each of the five elementary schools — New Hampton, St. Joe's, Turkey Valley and Sumner-Fredericksburg — for winter gear for students whose families can't afford it.

"We do a lot of different things," she said. "We can help with gas money for say a doctor's appointment in Iowa City, for example. Some are bigger than others, but we're especially con-

cerned when there are kids involved. Liz [Markham] and I will be the first to admit that we're softies when it comes to kids."

She added that it was important to thank Fareway for allowing the Salvation Army to set up "shop" each year in the store's entrance area.

"We can't thank Fareway enough," she said. "There's no way we could raise the kind of money we do without them being so accommodating. I hope they know how appreciative we are."



Bob Fenske/Reporter

Taking a lunch break at N-P

Nashua-Plainfield students and teachers enjoy a little break for lunch Thursday, and the only regret the above-named photographer had was he couldn't stick around for the pizza burgers, which as one student put it, are "the bomb."

Briefs

Nashua Clinic provider honored by Waverly Health Center

Eight members of the Waverly Health Center (WHC) team, including a provider at the Nashua Clinic, have been named November/December Spotlight on Values award winners.

Nominated by co-workers, patients and members of the community, these individuals are examples of WHC's values in action.

Among those honored was Tara Hensley, a PA-C of Nashua Clinic, who received WHC's Quarterly Provider Spotlight on Values Award.

Her nominators wrote, "She is an inspiration to her staff, and has been instrumental in building and developing her team. She has taken on many new patients in the past six months and has made sure they are receiving the best care, receiving their annual diagnostic tests and labs, and takes her time following through with their concerns. She looks out for the best interest of all her patients and coworkers on a daily basis."



Hensley

Other honorees included Danielle Barth, nursing administration; Lynn Lahr and Sara Sparks-Henrichs, Shell Rock Clinic; Alicia Jahnke pharmacy; Nick Nedza, ambulance; Jane Haigh, Christophel Clinic; and Laura Norem-Genolous, laboratory.

WHC has adopted six values which include compassion, enthusiasm, excellence, innovation, integrity and leadership. The Spotlight on Values program recognizes WHC employees, volunteers and physicians for demonstrating these values. Patients, visitors and employees are encouraged to submit nominations for the WHC Spotlight on Values honors. Nominations can be submitted online at WaverlyHealthCenter.org/ThankYou or at any Spotlight on Values ballot boxes placed throughout the health center.

Mobile Food Bank to make monthly stop in the county next Thursday

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will make its monthly distribution in Chickasaw County on Thursday, Jan. 19.

The site will be at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Hampton, and distribution will be from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

The mobile food bank is open to all food secure individuals and families in the county.

Volunteer income tax assistance available through ISU Extension

It is that time of the year to file your income tax and Chickasaw County Extension's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program may be able to help.

Each year, IRS-certified volunteers staff serve taxpayers throughout Iowa, providing free help preparing and e-filing basic tax returns.

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach trains and supports volunteers at a VITA site located at the New Hampton Public Library, 20 W. Spring Street, New Hampton, IA, providing assistance for low-to-moderate-income taxpayers regardless of age.

Volunteers will be at the Chickasaw County VITA site at the New Hampton Public Library on Feb. 7, 14 and 21; March 2, 9, 14, 21 and 28; and April 4.

Appointments can be made from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. by calling Lynn Bruess at 641-394-2174 or by emailing her at lbruess@

iaestate.edu.

VITA is geared toward people who generally make \$60,000 a year or less, have a disability, are elderly, or have limited English skills. These tax prep sites help northeast Iowans take advantage of child tax credits and the earned income tax credit. The volunteers will also help disabled or elderly individuals complete the application needed to participate in the Iowa Rent Reimbursement program.

Area Agency on Aging to hold program on balance

Would you like to improve your balance? Do you want to feel more comfortable participating in your favorite activities? Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging (NEI3A) is offering A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls, an award-winning workshop designed to increase the activity levels of older adults with concerns about falling. This workshop has added benefit of being able to attend virtually online. During 8 two-hour sessions, participants learn to:

- Promote exercise to increase strength and balance
- Set realistic goals for increasing activity
- Improve environment to reduce fall risk factors
- View falls and fear of falling as controllable

The Centers for Disease Control report that falling is the most common cause of injury in people over 60. More than one-third of adults aged 65 years and older fall each year. Don't become a statistic! Take active steps to reduce the risk of falls; register today for A Matter of Balance. Classes will be held virtually online from Jan. 16 through Feb. 8 each Monday and Wednesday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The link to join the meeting will be sent when you register. Contact Elise Bovy at ebovy@nei3a.org or call 319-231-6798 or Missy Anders at manders@nei3a.org or call 319-231-1623 to register. Space is limited. Each participant will receive a detailed training manual. There is a suggested contribution of \$20 to cover the cost of materials fees for each participant.

4-H Foundation scholarship applications due by March 1

The Iowa 4-H Foundation has announced applications are now available for its 4-H scholarship program. Over 130 scholarship opportunities valued at over \$120,000 will be awarded.

Former and current Iowa 4-H members are eligible to apply for 4-H scholarships if they meet individual scholarship requirements, as determined by the scholarship donors. Applicants must enroll as a full-time student to receive scholarship awards.

The various scholarship awards range in amounts from \$500 to \$5,000. Some scholarships are open to students pursuing any field of study, while others are open to students pursuing degrees in agriculture, food and nutrition, ag business, animal science, and journalism as well as veterinary medicine and more!

While many of the 4-H scholarship opportunities are available for students attending Iowa State University, scholarships are also available to students planning to attend any Iowa university, Iowa private college, Iowa community college, or any land-grant university.

Information and applications for the 4-H scholarships are now available through the Iowa 4-H Foundation at iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships. Applications must be submitted online no later than 11:59 p.m., March 1, for consideration. Only one application form is needed for all Iowa 4-H scholarships.

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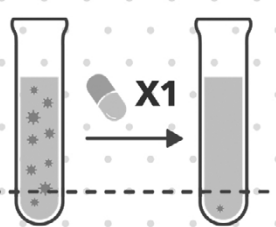
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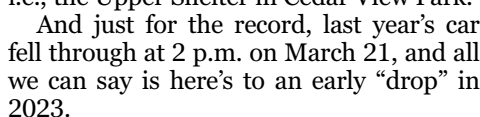


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It's a sure sign that Winterfest is just around the corner when the S&T Collision car is on the lake, and this year's event will celebrate the season on Saturday, Jan. 21, with a variety of outdoor and indoor activities.

Winterfest adds some new events for 2023

WINTERFEST: FROM 1



Nashua

REPORTER

Pratt getting shots to fall for the Huskies

GIRLS HOOPS: FROM 10

N-P was only able to convert on 6-33 field goal attempts and committed 33 turnovers versus the Panthers. CS held Huck – the Huskies’ leading scorer – to zero points.

“I think she’s been getting a little more attention since she’s our leading scorer,” Smith said. “Obviously coming into the season there were probably some teams that didn’t know exactly where our points would come from, but she came out of the gate with some pretty dominant performances – so she’s definitely not a secret anymore.”

The game versus West Fork (11-0, 7-0) got moved to Nashua because of technical difficulties and the Warhawks pounced on the Huskies to take a 27-5 lead after the first quarter.

N-P junior Jalynn Pratt tied Huck for most points in the scoring department with eight. Pratt was 3-6 shooting and nailed two of her 3-point attempts. Franzen led N-P in rebounding with nine, while Huck and Pratt each snared five.

Pratt has been coming on as of late after a slow start offensively at the beginning of the season.

“I think she’s just stuck to the process. She was getting good looks early in the season and they just weren’t dropping. A lot more of those are falling now. She’s been on a good stretch for us, for sure,” said the N-P coach.

CENTRAL SPRINGS 61, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 18

NP	2	7	6	3	-	18
CS	5	23	22	11	-	61

Kadence Huck 0-6 0-2 0, Bailey Fisher 3-6 0-0 8, Kendall Bailey-Pint 0-1 0-0 0, Jalynn Pratt 2-7 0-0 5,

Paige Franzen 0-3 1-2 1, Josslynn Glaser 0-1 0-0 0, Maci Malven 0-3 1-2 1, Marleigh Lowe 0-2 1-2 1, Myranda Webster 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 6-33 3-8 18.

3-point field goals - Fisher 2-4, Bailey-Pint 0-1, Pratt 1-4, Franzen 0-1, Malven 0-3, Lowe 0-1.

Rebounds - Pratt 7, Huck 3, Fisher 3, Franzen 3, Bailey-Pint 2, Glaser 1, Malven 1, Webster 1.

Assists - Huck 2, Fisher 1, Franzen 1.

Steals - Bailey-Pint 4, Huck 3, Fisher 1, Pratt 1, Franzen 1, Lowe 1, Webster 1.

WEST FORK 59, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 27

WF	27	14	17	1	-	59
NP	5	10	7	4	-	27

Huck 4-9 0-0 8, Fisher 1-5 1-2 3, Bailey-Pint 0-3 0-0 0, Pratt 3-6 0-0 8, Franzen 1-7 1-2 3, Glaser 0-0 0-0 0, Malven 0-1 0-0 0, Lowe 1-3 0-0 3, Webster 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 11-35 2-4 27.

3-point field goals - Fisher 0-1, Bailey-Pint 0-3, Pratt 2-3, Franzen 0-2, Lowe 1-2.

Rebounds - Franzen 9, Pratt 5, Huck 5, Bailey-Pint 4, Fisher 3, Lowe 3.

Assists - Fisher 2, Pratt 2, Huck 1, Bailey-Pint 1, Franzen 1.

Steals - Huck 2, Bailey-Pint 2, Franzen 2, Fisher 1, Pratt 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 53, ROCKFORD 14

NP	17	12	13	11	-	53
ROC	2	5	4	3	-	14

Huck 5-8 1-4 11, Fisher 2-6 0-0 6, Bailey-Pint 3-8 0-0 7, Pratt 1-6 0-0 2, Franzen 3-7 2-6 8, Glaser 0-1 0-0 0, Ava Kirk 2-4 0-1 6, Malven 0-2 0-0 0, Lowe 1-3 0-0 3, Hannah Brahn 0-0 0-0 0, Webster 4-6 0-0 8, Elayna O’Neill 1-1 0-0 2, Kristen Lee 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-53 3-11 53.

3-point field goals - Fisher 2-5, Bailey-Pint 1-6, Kirk 2-2, Malven 0-1, Lowe 1-3.

Rebounds - Fisher 4, Huck 3, Pratt 3, Franzen 3, Malven 2, Webster 2, Bailey-Pint 1, Glaser 1, Kirk 1, Lowe 1, Brahn 1, O’Neill 1.

Assists - Fisher 4, Bailey-Pint 3, Huck 2, Pratt 2, Lowe 2, Franzen 1, Glaser 1.

Steals - Huck 7, Franzen 6, Bailey-Pint 5, Fisher 4, Pratt 4, Malven 1, Brahn 1, Webster 1.

N-P girls to get chance to wrestle at home next week

GIRLS WRESTLING: FROM 10

can cause a loss of match or points,” said Reams. “She’s coming around very well and I’m excited to see what happens as this season continues and what lies in store for next year.

Ryan Reams – Reece’s younger sister – had an up-and-down night in Elkader. The senior Husky 115-pounder reeled in an eighth-place medal but had to medical forfeit her seventh-place match because of a possible concussion.

Reams lost her opening-round match to Kaitlyn Krum of East Buchanan by fall in the first period. Reece Reams said she banged her head on the mat in that match, but that didn’t stop Reams from picking up two pins over Darci Jelinek of North Crawford/Seneca and Sierra Hansmeier of Crestwood in her wrestle-backs.

“Ryan got off to a rough start with her first match. I think we had it in the bag, but an unfortunate event happened where she smacked her head pretty good. The opponent got an easy pin as Ryan was visibly disoriented and not quite present,” said Reece. “She did well wrestling back even though she wasn’t quite herself. She kept passing the concussion diagnosis I was doing, hopefully properly, but still wasn’t quite Ryan.”

Ryan Reams did not wrestle the rematch versus Krum in the medal round because of that medical forfeit.

“I allowed her to make the decision on whether she was able to continue or not. Once we got to the last match, I could see Ryan was definitely hurting so we decided it was best to call it,” said Reece.

N-P wrestles in a tournament at Denver today (Friday) at 4 p.m. at the Cyclone Center. On Tuesday, Jan. 17, the Huskies will host North Butler at home on Senior Night.

CENTRAL GIRLS INVITE TEAM SCHEDULE

Decorah 208, East Buchanan 170, Southeast Polk 152, Sumner-Fredericksburg 92.5, Holmen 89, Dubuque Senior 80, Waukon 78, North Central Trailblazers 75, South Winneshiek 75, Crestwood 68, Dubuque Wahlert 63, Central Elkader 62, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 61, North Fayette Valley 60, Postville 52, MFL-Mar-Mac 46, Eau Claire 42, Oelwein 37, Tripoli 29, Bellevue 27, Fennimore 26, Nashua-Plainfield 20, Starmont 15, Central City 11, Desoto 11, Lancaster 11, Waterloo West 7, Independence 0, North Crawford/ Seneca 0, Richland Center 0.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

100 - Sara Babu did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Liliana Cortes (POST) pinned Babu, 4:37. Cons. Round 2 - Delaney Youngblut (SF) pinned Babu, 1:09.

115 - Ryan Reams placed eighth. Champ. Round 1 - Kaitlyn Krum (EB) pinned Reams, 1:16. Cons. Round 1 - Reams pinned Darci Jelinek (NCS), 1:19. Cons. Round 2 - Reams pinned Sierra Hansmeier (CR), 0:23. Cons. Semis - Cameryn Judisch (SF) pinned Reams, 2:38. 7th Place Match - Krum (EB) won by medical forfeit Reams.

120 - Elexa O’Neill did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Mae Wedemeier (SF) tech. fall O’Neill, 15-0. Cons. Round 1 - Annaston Stene (NCTB) dec. (sudden victory) O’Neill, 8-6.

125 - Makinze Brannon did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Sydney Schindler (ECN) pinned Brannon, 2:24. Cons. Round 1 - Bailey Welu (DW) pinned Brannon, 0:52.

190 - Kylie Vance placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Vance pinned Skylia Jevne (DEC), 1:54. Semifinal - Alyson Krum (EB) pinned Vance, 1:00. 3rd Place Match - Grace Ellsbury (SEP) pinned Vance, 1:27.

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Basketball vs. Northwood-Kensett, Youth Autograph Night, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Boys junior varsity wrestling at Independence tournament, 9 a.m.

Boys varsity wrestling at Hudson Invitational, 9:30 a.m.

MONDAY

Basketball at Osage, junior varsity girls at 4 p.m., boys junior varsity at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Basketball at Mason City Newman, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Girls wrestling vs. North Butler, 6 p.m.

Boys wrestling vs. Postville, South Winneshiek and Starmont, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 20

Basketball vs. Central Springs, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.





Bob Fenske/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield senior Bailey Fisher (left) powers her way to the basket while classmate Bo Harrington (above) watches the free throw that will become his 1,000th career point head to the basket Thursday night.

Huskies enjoy a stellar night

Harrington reaches milestone as both N-P boys, girls roll to big victories

By Bob Fenske
Of the Reporter

Well, that was a lot of fun, wasn’t it?

Two blowouts, a bunch of players shining and, oh yeah, a milestone three-point play that gave Nashua-Plainfield senior Bo Harrington the keys to an exclusive group – the 1,000-point club.

And it was loud and raucous inside the ol’ gym, too as the Huskies won the girls game 56-21 and the boys took care of Postville 72-42 to complete the sweep.

“It was so much fun because there was so much energy in here tonight,” Harrington said after just missing a triple-double – finishing with 36 points, 16 rebounds and eight assists. “It was hard not to be pumped because people were so into it.”

We’ll start with the boys game that saw Nashua-Plainfield improve to 8-3 with a dominating performance/

Start with Harrington, who had 16 of the Huskies’ first 22 points, which allowed him to become just the fourth boys basketball player to reach the 1,000-point mark.

“I don’t know if I’ve ever coached someone quite as gifted as Bo,” Nashua-Plainfield coach Matt Mueller said. “He obviously can score, but he rebounds, he passes, he makes everyone around him better. To get to the rim with either hand or throw three-quarters court passes with either hand, you don’t see that very often.”

But he certainly wasn’t a one-man show on Thursday. Devin Johnson scored 14 points, Joel



Freshman Landon Foelske beats his defender and drives to the basket in the first half of Thursday’s game.

Winters added 10 and freshman Landon Foelske added six points and five assists on a night where the Huskies were without starter Tucker Franzen.

“We started two freshmen and pretty much everyone who came off the bench is a freshman,” Mueller said. “I don’t think too many teams in the state can say that. I don’t think any other team in the state can, honestly. But our guys stuck together and came through with

a really nice effort.”

Then again, it’s not like the Nashua-Plainfield girls played too shabby, either, as they raced out to a 26-4 lead and cruised to their second straight win.

And as balanced as the offense was – three players scored in double figures and 10 players found their way into the points column – it was the defense that impressed coach Josh Smith the most.

“To me, the night belonged

to Bailey Fisher and Marleigh Lowe,” he said. “I don’t know how many steals they had, but it was a lot and they led to a lot of layups for us.”

One play that stood out for Smith came in the second half when Lowe dove on the floor for a loose ball, picked it up and shoved it ahead to Fisher, who scored on a breakaway.

Kadence Huck scored 12 points to lead the Huskies while both Lowe and Fisher had 10 apiece. The latter missed all of the pre-Christmas portion of the schedule with an injury, but found her groove on Thursday.

“That’s the Bailey Fisher we expected and we need,” Smith said. “She really got after it ... but then again, all our girls did tonight.”

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD GIRLS 56, POSTVILLE 21

Post	4	7	4	6	-	21
NP	12	19	8	17	-	56

Kadence Huck 5 2-4 12, Bailey Fisher 4 1-2 10, Kendall Bailey-Pint 1 0-0 3, Jalynn Pratt 2 0-0 6, Paige Franzen 1 1-4 3, Josslynn Glaser 1 1-2 3, Ava Kirk 2 0-0 4, Maci Malven 0 0-0 0, Marleigh Lowe 3 2-2 10, Hannah Brahe 0 0-0 0, Myranda Webster 1 0-0 2, Elayna O’Neill 0 0-0 0, Kristen Lee 1 1-1 3. Totals 21 8-15 56.

3-point field goals - Lowe 2, Pratt 2, Fisher 1, Bailey-Pint 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD BOYS 72, POSTVILLE 42

Post	6	12	9	15	-	42
NP	15	20	23	14	-	72

Devin Johnson 5 1-2 14, Bo Harrington 15 3-4 36, Landon Foelske 5 0-0 10, Joel Winters 5 0-0 140, Matthew Malven 0 0-2 2, Jase Hansen 2 0-0 4, Avery Mueller 0 0-0 0, Jake Smith 0 0-0 0, Cal Levi 1 0-0 2, Trent Roderick 0 0-0 0. Totals 31 4-8 72.

3-point field goals - Johnson 3, Harrington 3.

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New pastor will manage church, work with the youth

LITTLE BROWN CHURCH: FROM 1

as well as managing the church. McHolm – who took over as full-time pastor at the LBC over four years ago – said Rambo’s main concentration will be working with the youth and student ministry – of which there are about 25-30 kids.

“Sam comes to us with a huge love for the Lord,” said McHolm. “The thing I really liked was his passion for Christ. Pastor Sam comes to us with excellent Biblical training.”

The two preachers met at Aromas Coffee in Charles City – McHolm’s self-proclaimed “public office.”

“I do that on purpose because you get to meet real people and have conversations about the Lord,” said McHolm. “That’s part of my strategy for being there.”

McHolm and Rambo were wearing the same Arabic scarf at the coffee shop that day and the chance encounter turned into a wonderful friendship.

“I felt like God had called me to this area,” said Rambo. “It was just such a beautiful moment.”

Rambo is a 2015 Cedar Rapids Washington High School graduate and graduated from seminary school at Trinity Bible College, located in Ellendale, North Dakota. He said ever since he was a kid he wanted to be a pastor – part of a personal mission to give God glory and help people out.

“The people that I met that day are my spiritual father and my spiritual mother,” said Rambo about meeting Drew and his wife Jesse McHolm.

Rambo was pastor at Amazing Grace Church in Charles City for three years – starting in December of 2019. Then he moved to Florida to work as a mechanic. Hurricane Ian – which devastated the



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Little Brown Church Pastor Drew McHolm (left) and his wife, Jesse, pose for a photo with new Associate Pastor Sam Rambo, his wife Carolina and their two children – Samuel and Camila.

coastal area of the Sunshine State last fall – had other plans.

So Rambo and his family headed back to Iowa and looked for work in a capacity to serve the Lord once again.

“We are so deeply excited and so gratified to be here,” said Rambo. “We thought going to Florida was going to be the most attractive choice for us. We’re used to seeing beaches and palm trees, but my goodness – I would not trade this for anything in the world. It just feels like being back home.”

Rambo, 26, tried to find work as a pastor in Minnesota prior to coming to Charles City – but that job opportunity ended up not being his calling.

“I really wanted to do something for God. Ministry jobs – they’re hard to find. Most of it’s based on relationships rather than availability,” said Rambo. “We’ve had just a really big journey.”

McHolm officiated the wedding of Rambo and his wife Carolina down in Cedar Falls recently.

“The ability to come back here and pastor again means more to me than anything else because God loves each and every one of you,” said Rambo. “There’s no place that’s too small for God and Drew McHolm – right over there – is living testimony to that.”

Rambo’s first official worship service as associate pastor will be this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. at the LBC.

“I just want to say thank you guys so much. This is such a big moment for me and my wife,” said Rambo.

Sam and Carolina have a 14-month-old son named Samuel and a newborn named Camila.

“You guys have shown just such a love and such an appreciation already. We are just overcome,” said Rambo.

Rinken is named most outstanding wrestler

Boys Wrestling: From 10

by running away and hiding to claim the Tripoli Invite on Saturday in what could surely be described as a superb performance.

“I was able to come back on Friday’s practice and point out a lot of situations,” said Frost. “Osage didn’t do anything fancier than we did. They just did everything 10 times harder, 10 times faster and with a lot more intensity than we did.”

Frost’s Huskies must have listened to those wise words, because N-P locked up the team title at last Saturday’s weekend tournament with 269 points – above and beyond the closest finisher, which was No. 8 Wapsie Valley. The Warriors finished in the runner-up slot in the team standings – some 101.5 points behind N-P – with 167.5 points. Lisbon – tied for the third in the IWCOA dual standings with N-P in Class 1A – was third with 146 points.

It probably wouldn’t have put that much of a significant dent in N-P’s large margin of victory, but Frost did say WV and Lisbon were a tad short-handed.

“Wapsie Valley didn’t have a couple guys in the lineup. Lisbon didn’t have a couple guys in the lineup. I get that. We really were on a roll. We had some good momentum going. We just had a good day,” said Frost.

It’s that momentum that N-P is looking to capitalize on and zeroing in on an energy that Osage rallied around to keep its distance from N-P with pin after pin.

“I think it was more of a momentum thing,” said Frost. “Once they got one guy rolling or half the team rolling – they don’t want to be the guy that looks bad. They don’t want to be the guy that loses.”

N-P didn’t do a lot of losing on Saturday at Tripoli as four Huskies rose to the top of the podium stand with gold medal performances in their weight class. Four N-P grapplers also finished runner-up and not one single weight class finished lower than fourth at their respective weight.

Frost said all wrestlers vying for a top four spot were competing in the same gym once the wrestling matches were completed and the medal round began.

Fifth and sixth-place wrestlers competed in another gym.

“We had everybody wrestling in the same gym. That was kind of unique,” said Frost.

No. 1 ranked Garret Rinken (26-0) was named the tournament’s Most Outstanding Wrestler. The state runner-up to Brandon Paez of Lisbon last year at 120 pounds – defeated Wapsie’s Dawson Schmit for the third time this season with a 5-1 decision in the finals at 126.

“Garret had a really good, solid controlling match,” said Frost. “We’ll probably see that guy at least one more, if not a couple times.”

Paez (30-0) – who will wrestle alongside Rinken next year at the University of Northern Iowa – pinned N-P’s Hayden Munn in the second period of the 120-pound finals.

Jayden Rinken – also ranked No. 1 at 106 pounds according to IAWrestle – tech failed Kaiden Belinsky of WV in his first-place match, 21-6. Rinken is 24-1 this winter and placed third at state as a freshman.

Nic Brase, rated No. 8 at 113 pounds, improved to 20-4 overall with a pin over Aiden Feickert of South Winneshiek in 3:27 in his last match of the day to claim the top spot in his weight class.

Jackson Carey, a sophomore, avenged two losses from earlier in the season to Garrett Miller of Wapsie Valley and Kyle Kuboushek of South Winn. Carey got pinned against Miller at the Battle of Waterloo, but turned the tide in the first-place match at 152 with a 6-2 win over the Warrior. Kuboushek slipped past Carey, 2-0, at the Chris Davis Invite. Carey didn’t mess around this go-round as he stuck Kuboushek in 2:45 in the semis on Saturday.

“He really showed some good signs of improvement and a lot of motivation and enthusiasm in his matches,” said Frost.

N-P senior Kendrick Huck won a tight one over No. 10 Brand Beaver (19-2) of Woodbury Central, 1-0, in the semifinal round at 138. Huck, ranked fifth, lost to eighth-rated Gavin Reed (19-8) of Waterloo Columbus, 3-0, in each pair’s finals match.

Huck is still trying to get back to full speed as he’s dealing with



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Boys will be boys

Nashua-Plainfield’s Eli Kalainoff “pins” teammate Nic Brase as they fool around in between matches at a triangular in St. Ansgar last Thursday.

a shoulder injury encountered earlier in the season. He is 13-4 so far this winter.

“We’re just trying to get back into our game – trying to get some shooting going on,” said Frost.

Husky junior Titus Evans (170) and freshman Eli Kalainoff (160) both lost to ranked wrestlers in their finals matches to place second. Evans lost to top-ranked and two-time defending state champ – Maximus Magayna of Waterloo Columbus – by pin. Kalainoff was stuck by No. 8 Max McGill of Woodbury Central in his championship match.

Evans won a 9-6 decision over Drew Lansing of Wapsie Valley in semifinals. Evans lost to Lansing at the Battle of Waterloo, 9-4.

“Titus is having a good year,” said Frost. “He had a good day.”

Munn (19-7) defeated Brody Kleitsch of Wapsie Valley, 4-0, in the semis to reach his title bout at 120 pounds.

Tate White, ranked No. 12 at 182 pounds, also came back to defeat a wrestler that had beaten him earlier in the year. White (21-6) pinned Cannon Joerger of Wapsie Valley in the third-place match in 4:27. Joerger (20-7) won a 7-4 decision over White at the Chris Davis Invite. This is the second time White has topped Joerger as he pinned Joerger at the Battle of Waterloo in 3:51.

“We kind of went back and forth in this match,” said Frost. “We got another pin on this guy to kind of get ahead of him, 2-1. So we’ve got him figured out.”

Husky senior Kaden Wilken (16-12) lost to Kanan Decker of Wapsie Valley in his third-place match, 13-5, at 138. Decker also defeated Wilken, 10-6, at the Chris Davis Invite. Wilken was victorious over Decker by pin (4:36) at the Battle of Waterloo in that dual.

N-P junior Aiden Sullivan (21-9) pinned Belle Plaine’s Jack Schwenn in the third-place match in 2:22 at 195 pounds and senior Jackson Zwanziger (17-13) slipped past Cody Koepke of Denver, 5-4, in his battle for third place at 220. Zwanziger, in keeping up with the trend of exacting revenge on wrestlers that have defeated Huskies earlier this season, topped WV’s Keegon Brown,

5-3, in the semis. Brown pinned Zwanziger in 3:10 at WV’s home invite at the beginning of the year.

N-P freshman Devon Blanchard (6-9) and senior Landon Pratt (0-4) each placed fourth at 145 and 285 pounds, respectively. This was Pratt’s first varsity action of the season as he is recovering from a knee injury.

“We had a really, really good day,” said Frost. “I would say excellent, but excellent would be like you had 14 champions.”

TRIPOLI INVITE TEAM SCORES

Nashua-Plainfield 269, Wapsie Valley 167.5, Lisbon 146, Waterloo Columbus 128.5, Belle Plaine 123, South Winneshiek 110, Woodbury Central 110 Denver 109, Sumner-Fredericksburg 67, Tripoli 35, Riceville 0.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

106 - Jayden Rinken placed first. Semifinal - Rinken pinned Jamison Zweibahmer (SW), 1:32. 1st Place Match - Rinken tech. fall Kaiden Belinsky (WV), 21-6, 3:36.

113 - Nic Brase placed first. Semifinal - Brase dec. Jackson Knapp (LIS), 7-2. 1st Place Match - Brase pinned Aiden Feickert (SW), 3:27.

120 - Hayden Munn placed second. Semifinal - Munn dec. Brody Kleitsch (WV), 4-0. 1st Place Match - Brandon Paez (LIS) pinned Munn, 3:28.

126 - Garret Rinken placed first. Quarterfinal - Rinken pinned Ryder Larson (SF), 0:47. Semifinal - Rinken pinned Mason Burr (WC), 2:33. 1st Place Match - Rinken dec. Dawson Schmit (WV), 5-1.

132 - Kendrick Huck placed second. Quarterfinal - Huck pinned Kraton Zimmerman (WV), 0:54. Semifinal - Huck dec. Brand Beaver (WOOD), 1-0. 1st Place Match - Gavin Reed (WC) dec. Huck, 3-0.

138 - Kaden Wilken placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Wilken pinned Gunnar Vohs (WOOD), 3:58. Semifinal - Collin Holm (SW) pinned Wilken, 1:28. Cons. Semis - Wilken pinned Kanyon Schwab (BP), 2:30. 3rd Place Match - Kanan Decker (WV) maj. dec. Wilken, 13-5.

145 - Devon Blanchard placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Ryder Koele (WOOD) dec. Blanchard, 3-0. Cons. Round 3 - Blanchard maj. dec. Dallas Tissue (WV), 11-3. Cons. Semi - Blanchard tech. fall Gage Holub (LIS), 16-1, 4:33. 3rd Place Match - Koele (WOOD) pinned Blanchard, 3:33.

152 - Jackson Carey placed first. Quarterfinal - Carey pinned Andrew Argo (BP), 1:36. Semifinal - Carey pinned Kyle Kuboushek (SW), 2:45. 1st Place Match - Carey dec. Garrett Miller (WV), 6-2.

160 - Eli Kalainoff placed second. Quarterfinal - Kalainoff pinned Ethan Krabbenhoft (DEN), 4:00. Semifinal - Kalainoff pinned Noah Henderson,

5:33. 1st Place Match - Max McGill (WOOD) pinned Kalainoff, 4:21.

170 - Titus Evans placed second. Semifinal - Evans dec. Drew Lansing (WV), 9-6. 1st Place Match - Maximus Magayna (WC) pinned Evans, 1:10.

182 - Tate White placed third. Quarterfinal - White pinned Parker Timp (SW), 4:35. Semifinal - Chase Wickwire (BP) pinned White, 2:51. Cons. Semi - White pinned Grant Henderson (SF), 2:54. 3rd Place Match - White pinned Cannon Joerger, 4:27.

195 - Aiden Sullivan placed third. Quarterfinal - Sullivan pinned Derek Hilsenbeck (WV), 3:47. Semifinal - Carson Hartz (WC) tech. fall Sullivan, 15-0, 4:41. Cons. Semi - Sullivan pinned Andrew Martens (WOOD), 2:30. 3rd Place Match - Sullivan pinned Jack Schwenn (BP), 2:22.

220 - Jackson Zwanziger placed third. Quarterfinal - Zwanziger pinned Colton Warren (WOOD), 3:13. Semifinal - Mason Knipp (WC) pinned Zwanziger, 0:28. Cons. Semi - Zwanziger dec. Keegon Brown (WV), 5-3. 3rd Place Match - Zwanziger dec. Cody Koepke (DEN), 5-4.

285 - Landon Pratt placed fourth. Round 1 - Connor Knudtson (WC) dec. Pratt, 2-1. Round 3 - Ashton Libke (WOOD) pinned Pratt, 2:57. Round 4 - Wyatt Smith (LIS) pinned Pratt, 3:04. Round 5 - Cade Bonnette (DEN) pinned Pratt, 5:30.



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Nashua-Plainfield’s Joel Winters and Devin Johnson battle for a rebound during a game last month.

Senior puts together all-around game in win over Central Springs

Boys Hoops: From 10

Bo Harrington, Class 1A’s seventh-best leading scorer as of this Thursday, continued to demonstrate he’s one of the best players in the small-school class.

Harrington, who averages just over 24 points a contest, scored 24 versus CS, 23 against WF and tallied 19 points in the Rockford game. His career point total now stands at 984 – just 16 points away from 1,000.

Harrington’s stat line in the Central Springs game read like an all-star worthy candidate – 24 points, 12 rebounds, six assists and five steals.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 65, CENTRAL SPRINGS 47

NP 5 20 17 23 - 65
CS 16 11 10 10 - 47

Tucker Franzen 5-9 1-2 13, Devin Johnson 4-8 1-1 9, Bo Harrington 8-9 6-8 24, Joel Winters 3-9 2-3 8, Matthew Malven 0-7 0-0 0, Landon Foelske 5-6 0-0 11, Trent Rodruck 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 25-48 10-16 65.

3-point field goals - Franzen 2-4, Johnson 0-2, Harrington 2-3, Malven 0-5, Foelske 1-2.

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

Assists - Franzen 6, Harrington 6, Winters 4, Malven 3, Foelske 1.

Steals - Harrington 5, Franzen 3, Winters 1, Malven 1, Foelske 1.

Blocks - Franzen 1.

WEST FORK 54, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 47

WF 10 21 6 17 - 54
NP 8 13 17 9 - 47

Franzen 2-6 0-0 4, Johnson 3-8 0-0 6, Harrington 9-14 4-5 23, Winters 5-13 0-2 10, Malven 1-7 0-0 2, Foelske 1-3 0-0 2, Rodruck 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-52 4-7 47.

3-point field goals - Franzen 0-2, Johnson 0-1, Harrington 1-2, Malven 0-2.

Rebounds - Harrington 8, Winters 6, Malven 5, Franzen 2, Johnson 2, Foelske 2, Rodruck 1.

Assists - Winters 4, Malven 3, Franzen 2, Johnson 2, Harrington 1.

Steals - Harrington 5, Winters 3, Franzen 2, Johnson 2, Malven 2.

Blocks - Harrington 2, Winters 1, Malven 1.

N-P 65, ROCKFORD 29

NP 14 25 12 14 - 65
ROC 8 11 4 6 - 29

Franzen 4-7 0-0 9, Johnson 3-8 0-0 8, Harrington 8-12 1-2 19, Foelske 2-5 0-0 4, Winters 3-5 0-0 6, Jase Hansen 2-3 0-0 5, Malven 4-8 0-0 10, Foelske Mueller 0-1 0-0 0, Jake Smith 1-1 0-0 2, Cal Levi 1-1 0-0 2, Rodruck 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-51 1-2 65.

3-point field goals - Franzen 1-3, Johnson 2-5, Harrington 2-4, Hansen 1-2, Malven 2-4, Mueller 0-1.

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

Assists - Winters 8, Harrington 4, Foelske 4, Johnson 3, Franzen 1, Malven 1, Mueller 1.

Steals - Johnson 4, Harrington 4, Foelske 2, Winters 2, Hansen 1, Mueller 1, Franzen 1.

Blocks - Harrington 1.

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Nashua-Plainfield senior Kaden Wilken (above) works to get a pin in a triangular at St. Ansgar last week while teammate Tate White (below) locks up a fall of his own.

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Huskies smoke field at Tripoli

Nashua-Plainfield puts eight in finals, crowns four champs to win team title

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

If it matters – and it more than likely doesn't in the long run – Osage is probably a better wrestling squad than Nashua-Plainfield.

That was clearly evident last week Thursday in a Top of Iowa Conference dual showdown between the No. 1 ranked Green Devils and Al Frost's third-rated Huskies.

Different classes and different destinations will guide those two stellar squads on separate paths in a quest for shiny gold medals come February in downtown Des Moines.

That doesn't mean Frost – who racked up career win No. 500 in his legendary career last month – didn't let his wrestlers know the day after Osage's domination about what it takes to be the very best in your field.

Osage – sporting 10 ranked wrestlers and two defending state champs – dominated to give N-P its third dual loss of the season – 55-21 – at the triangular held at St. Ansgar.

Frost broke it down for his talented and hungry wrestlers last week – who responded last Saturday

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Huskies place two on a long night in Elkader

Nashua-Plainfield's Vance takes fourth, Reams is eighth at Central Invitational

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

It was a late night drive home for some members of the Nashua-Plainfield girls wrestling team after competing in the Central Invite over in Elkader last week Friday.

In fact, several Huskies didn't get back home until the wee hours of the morning in the overnight on Saturday as many of the final matches did not begin until around midnight.

N-P head coach Ryan Reams – a 2015 N-P grad – was pretty sure the tournament – which was comprised of 30 teams – was the latest he's ever stayed at a meet.

That meant some of the Huskies headed back home before the placing matches were put in the books.

"I allowed the rest of the girls

to go home with their parents or coach (Taylor) Wedeking as it was getting late. Coach (Wedeking) had to be up the next morning early for the boys meet so I figured he would be needing some rest," said Reams.

N-P sophomore Kylie Vance wrestled to a fourth-place finish at 190 pounds. She pinned Skylar Jevne of Decorah in 1:54 in her first match, but lost to Grace Ellsbury of Southeast Polk at the 1:27 mark of the first period in her medal bout.

Reams talked about Vance, who he said is the aggressor in the wrestling room for the Huskies.

"She wants to get better every practice/meet and she really moves. Sometimes her aggression gets the better of her and we get out of position, which

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Nashua-Plainfield wrestler Elexa O'Neill looks for an opening during a tournament at Osage that was held earlier this month.

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Nashua-Plainfield's Kendall Bailey-Pint attempts to squeeze a pass through the North Butler defense during a game played last month.

N-P girls snap skid with rout of Rockford

After falling to Central Springs, West Fork, Huskies get off to fast start in 53-14 victory

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Nashua-Plainfield Huskies made it a clean sweep over the Rockford Warriors on the road Tuesday night in Top of Iowa Conference girls hoops play.

That win over the Warriors enabled N-P to snap a five-game losing streak as the Huskies rolled over the 1-10 cellar dweller – 53-14.

N-P (2-7, 2-6) defeated Rockford in the two team's first meeting clear back on Dec. 8, 59-21.

The Huskies dominated from the opening tip as N-P led 17-2 after one period of and limited the Warriors to just single digit scoring totals in each quarter of play.

N-P came up with 29 steals, seven of those from Kadence Huck and another six from Paige Franzen.

"Our defense played well. We were able to force a lot of turnovers and get a lot of steals. We also did a good job rebounding the ball so we didn't give them many second chance opportunities," said N-P coach Josh Smith.

Huck paced the Huskies with 11 points and Franzen was 3-7 from the field for eight points.

Franzen, a sophomore starter for N-P, averages over five points a game and averages close to four rebounds a contest and over steals.

Smith said Franzen's a committed team player that works hard, listens well in

receiving instruction and learns quickly.

"She's just a super, super smart player that way. Her versatility, talent, and work ethic definitely set her up for a bright future," said Smith.

N-P encountered two setbacks on the road against Central Springs, 61-18, on Thursday, Jan. 5 and at home versus No. 9 West Fork, 59-27, a week ago this past Friday.

N-P senior Bailey Fisher made her first start against Central Springs (5-4, 3-4) after recovering from a broken finger at the start of the season. She hit two 3-pointer and tallied eight points – shooting 3-6 from the floor.

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N-P goes 2-for-3 in TIC tilts

Huskies top Central Springs, give West Fork a battle, roll to easy victory over Rockford

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Nashua-Plainfield Huskies are knocking on the door – the problem is Mason City Newman and West Fork won't let them come in.

The Huskies and head coach Matt Mueller have played well in their first 10 games of the 2022-2023 season. That quality level of basketball being orchestrated has enabled N-P to sport a 7-3 mark overall and 5-2 record in the Top of Iowa East Division.

Newman (9-1, 7-1) and West Fork (7-1, 6-1) both rule the roost at the top of the league standings – with Osage (9-2, 6-2) and N-P close behind.

The Huskies lost an excellent opportunity to come up with the win of the season versus West Fork at home last Friday. The game – which was moved from Sheffield to Nashua because of technical difficulties – saw WF top N-P, 54-47.

N-P trailed by as much as 14 points in the first half, but led the Warhawks, 38-37, headed into the final eight minutes of play. WF outrebounding N-P, 37-26, proved to be huge according to Mueller.

"The whole team felt like we let that game slip away," said Mueller, who said WF hit four free throws late to preserve the victory.

N-P played Newman tough, losing 74-58 in the second game of the season. The Huskies dropped a close contest at Tripoli last month by a score of 61-57.

"We feel that all three of our losses we were very competitive in those games and had our chances. So we are looking forward to the second half of the season," said Mueller.

After trailing Central Springs, 16-5, after the first quarter – N-P exploded the rest of the way to topple the Panthers last week Thursday, 65-47. The Huskies outscored CS, 60-31, in the final three periods.

"Against Central Springs, they really tried to take Bo (Harrington) away and the rest of our team stepped up and made plays and made them change their game plan. Our defense tightened up a lot in the second half also," said Mueller.

N-P freshman Landon Foelske scored a career high 11 points and the Huskies shot 52 percent from the field (25-48) against CS.

Rockford (0-11, 0-8) was no match for N-P last Tuesday as the Huskies bombarded the winless Warriors by a score of 65-29. N-P held Rockford to just 10 points in the second half, all the while the Huskies only converted on just a single free throw in two attempts.

N-P senior forward Joel Winters scored six points, grabbed 12 rebounds and dished out eight assists in the lopsided victory.

Tucker Franzen scored double figures against Central Springs as he hit on five field goals in nine attempts for 13 points. Winters scored 10 points versus WF.

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