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Nashua closes in on big weekend

We'll have plenty of options with Water Over the Dam Days, Civil War event on tap



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Water Over the Dam Days kicks off this coming Thursday and will include the annual parade on Saturday.

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

Nate Sinnwell has seen the forecast for this weekend — highs in the mid-90s and humidity galore — and has one thought.

“I’m hoping Mother Nature’s getting it all out of the way,” the Nashua Park Board president said with a laugh, “and then gives us a perfect weekend next week. That’s a good plan, right?”

We’ll second that motion because

we’re closing in on the biggest weekend of the year for Nashua as Water Over the Dam Days begins its four-day run this coming Thursday and the annual Civil War Re-Enactment is set for Saturday and Sunday, June 28-29, at the Old Bradford Pioneer Museum.

The Park Board is certainly ready, and the goal

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Supervisors look ready to ‘check box’ to use TIF funding

County leaders indicate first project will likely be moving Engineer’s Office out of courthouse

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors appears headed to “checking the box” on using tax-increment financing (TIF) to fund projects in the county.

Supervisors spoke out in favor of declaring that the county will use TIF revenue generated by the Chickasaw Wind Farm. If the county wants to use TIF dollars next year, it must make that known by Dec. 1.

If the board doesn’t meet that deadline, the increased tax revenue from the 66 wind turbines will go to taxing entities that includes the wind farm.

“We have to have these discussions out there,” Board Chairman Jake Hackman said, “and government works quote, slow, quote, so it’s important that we talk about it.”

“I’d like us to push ahead with TIF,” Supervisor Scott Cerwinske. “I think it’s a great tool to get our infrastructure updated.”

“I’ll get back to you on that,” Hackman said. “I think I’m with you on some projects.”

“That’s kind of where I am,” Supervisor Travis Suckow said. “Some projects, yeah; some projects, ahhh, I’m not sure.”

And although the five supervisors reached a relatively quick consensus to capture about \$363,000 in TIF funds during the 2026-27 fiscal year, they spent more than an hour talking about possible projects that could be paid for by TIF.

In the end, while there appeared to be agreement among most of the supervisors to build a new office for the county engineer at the main shop of the Secondary Roads Department, the discussion was wide-ranging.

When the county’s TIF Committee first made recommendations on how to use TIF funds last year, the first project recommended was going to be a new storage building for the Chickasaw

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Travis Fischer/Charles City Press

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig tries his hand at trimming a tree Tuesday during a visit to Pine Ridge Tree Farm, which is located east of Nashua.

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Ag secretary touts state’s efforts with conservation

Naig touches on a variety of issues, including tariffs and immigration reform, during discussion at ISU Spring Field Day

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig’s appearance at the annual Spring Field Day at the Iowa State University Northeast Iowa Research and Demonstration Farm on Wednesday was billed as a chance for him to talk about the state’s acceleration of conservation and water quality efforts.

And that it was, but Naig also covered a wide range of other topics — including two hot-button issues, tariffs and immigration reform — that are key to Iowa’s agriculture industry.

Naig spent more than an hour inside the farm’s Borlaug Learning Center Wednesday during a two-day swing through Northeast Iowa in which he also visited the Pine Ridge Tree Farm that is located just to the east of Nashua.

The secretary said he visited Pine Ridge on Tuesday to talk about promoting Iowa-grown Christmas trees and learned — or at least re-learned — a valuable lesson.

“I like to remind folks that you think of Christmas trees at Christmas time but that most of the work that gets done on a Christmas tree farm is when you are sweating on a 90-degree day when they’re trimming those trees and all that,” he said. “I actually had a chance to trim a tree yesterday as well, and it might not have been 90, but I was sweating.”

SEE NAIG, 4

It’s topic that matters for N-P history stars

National History Day finalists say hard work worth it because they choose their subjects

By **BOB FENSKE**
Of the Reporter

For 21 years, National History Day has been a staple at Nashua-Plainfield, and the question always comes up: Why?

After all, this is an extra-curricular activity that kind of involves homework. OK, not kind of; it does.

But ask the most recent National History Day finalists — national competition runners-up Mykah Hall, Braylynn Brase, Ellie Sudol, Emilie O’Neill and Elizabeth Kalvig, along with national competition finalist Jackson Mehmen — are proof that history is fun when dealing with a topic that is interesting.

“I like history when it’s something that I’m interested in,” O’Neill said. “All the dates and all that stuff, maybe not, but our

topic was really interesting.”

We were originally looking on the NHD website for like options,” Hall said, “and then when we came across Tinker, we like looked it up because we really were really interested in it. And they were about our age when all this happened.”

So they designed a website titled “Don’t Tinker with My Rights: The Case for School Responsibility and Student First Amendment Rights” that centered around five Des Moines Community Schools’ students fighting for their free-speech rights in 1965.

And that took the five students almost all the way to the top of the proverbial National History Day mountaintop as their project became the seventh in Nashua-Plainfield school history to claim a top-

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Bob Fenske/Reporter

Retiring Nashua-Plainfield National History Day advisor Suzy Turner poses with her national competition finalists — (from left) Braylynn Brase, Ellie Sudol, Elizabeth Kalvig, Emilie O’Neill, Mykah Hall and Jackson Mehmen.

Something for everyone is WODD goal

WEEKEND: FROM 1

for the entity that oversees Nashua's annual town festival remains the same: Have something for everyone.

"With the little kids it's pretty easy and the beer tent handles most of the adults," Sinnwell said with a laugh, "but the challenge is usually those teenagers, that age group. But with the Color Run and [St. John Lutheran] church putting on the bonfire and everything, the volleyball tournament, we think we feel pretty good about with where we're at."

The festival kicks off in the downtown area on Thursday, when Big Willie's will be sponsoring a street dance after the free-will donation meal that will support Nashua-Plainfield Community Schools' fifth- and sixth-graders who will be traveling to Washington, D.C. next year.

SEE WEEKEND, 3



Bob Fenske/Reporter

The Nashua Park Board and its Water Over the Dam Days Committee wouldn't mind a repeat of last year's Saturday afternoon when sunny skies and temperatures in the 80s meant a big crowd turned out for afternoon activities in the park.



Back to 80's
June 26-29

NASHUA WATER OVER THE DAM DAYS 2025



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Nashua Water Over the Dam Days 2025
June 26-29

Thursday, June 26

4:00 pm - Youth Golf Tournament @ Nashua T & C Club
\$10/Person (Age Groups 6-8, 7-11, 12-15)

5:30 - 7:30 pm - Free Will donation Meal (supports 5/6th grade Washington D.C. Trip)

7 pm - Street Dance Sponsored by Big Willie's On Main St.

Friday, June 27
(All Events at Park unless noted)

9:00 am - 4-Person Best Shot Golf Tournament Held at Nashua T&C

3:00pm-12am - Beer Tent Venmo Accepted

4:00-11:00 pm - Food Truck Friday

5:30 pm - Princess & Prince Contest: @ The Baldwin Bandshell

6:00-7:00 pm - Kids Activities: Bubble Stations & Inflatables
Sponsored by First State Bank (wristband needed)

7:30 pm - Color Glow Run location @ Oly's Undercoating west of park

8:00 pm - Movie @ Compass Outreach Center -FREE popcorn and drinks provided by Lincoln Savings Bank

7:00-11:00 pm - Band: Lonesome Road (country music)

8:30 pm - Bonfire, DJ, & Games for MS & HS kids (lower shelter, hosted by St. John's Lutheran Church)

Saturday, June 28
(All Events at Park unless noted)

7:00-11:00 am - Breakfast @ Rooster's

7:30-9:00 am - Breakfast in the Park (located at north shelter, free-will donation, supports 5/6th grade D.C. trip)

8:00 am - 5k Run/Walk- \$20 entry fee, begins in the park at upper shelter

10:30 - PARADE *Grand Marshall: Ron & Jenice Ulrichs

11:00-10:00 pm - Food Trucks

11:30 am - Basketball shooting contest located at old tennis courts

11:45 am - TaeKwonDo Demonstration

12:00 pm-midnight - Beer Tent VENMO accepted!

12:00 pm - Sand volleyball Tournament

12:00 pm - Ron Bilharz Jr. Memorial Horseshoe Tournament

12:00-?? - Classic Car Cruise - (Located near the bandshell)

12:00-1:00 pm - Public Library Book Sale @ Library

12:00-2:00 pm - Open House @ Scout Cabin - (dessert & drinks provided)

12:00-2:30 pm - Band: Richie Lee & the Fabulous 50's

12:30-3:30 pm - Kid Games in the Park - Unlimited inflatables, face painting, kiddie train, live reptile zoo, balloon artist, live pony carousel rides, & one free bag of cotton candy! (wristband needed)

12:30-3:30 pm - Free Book Giveaway- Donated by Republic Church)

1:00 pm - Bean Bag Tournaments

1:00-4:00 pm -BINGO- (Hosted by Lions Club, held at North Shelter, no age limit)

2:00-3:00 pm -Registration for dodgeball tournament- Age 14-20

2:30-3:30 pm-Open Roller Skating on the dance floor- Bring your own skates

3:00 pm - Jello eating contest - (no age limit, meet at the stage at 2:45)

3:30 pm- Dodgeball tournament - held in the park

3:30-6:00 pm-Band: Chocolate Crackers - (Classic Rock)

6:30 pm-'Not So Newlywed' Game Show - (Married couples needed- Prizes for participants! Held at the bandshell)

7:00 pm -Nub's Catfish Tournament - Register at Nub's Bait Shop

8:00-11:30 pm-Band: Sushi Roll - (High Energy Dance Music) *Dress in your best 80s

9:45 pm - FIREWORKS!!

Sunday, June 29

8:00-11:30 am - Community Breakfast (free-will donation breakfast held at upper shelter in the park hosted by Nashua EMS)

10:00 am - Community Church Service held at the Baldwin Bandshell. This is a non-denominational church service. All are welcome!

11:00-1:00 pm - Free inflatables and kiddie train rides

11:00-2:00 pm - Quilt Show (located at Nashua Welcome Center)

11:30-1:00 pm - Cowboy Ministries

1:00-3:00 pm - Open Mic at the Baldwin Bandshell

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A Confederate cannon fires a shot during the 2024 Civil War Re-Enactment, and this year's event is set for Saturday and Sunday, June 28-29, at the Old Bradford Pioneer Museum.

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Water Over the Dam Days, Civil War Re-Enactment present a win-win for Nashua

WEEKEND: FROM 2

Water Over the Dam Days then moves to Cedar View Park Friday, with the beer tent opening at 3 and "Food Truck Friday" starting at 45.

Saturday's events include the annual parade that begins at 10:30 a.m. and a slew of activities at the park while Sunday's schedule includes a community breakfast put on by Nashua Area EMS, a community church service and more activities at the park.

Those that love live music will certainly be in heaven as four bands are set to take the Baldwin Bandshell stage during the party. Lonesome Road will play Friday night, Richie Lee & the Fabulous 50s will play from noon to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Chocolate Crackers will play from 3:30 to 6 p.m. and Sushi Roll will wrap up the park activities on Saturday night when it plays from 8 to 11:30 p.m., with a break for the fireworks around 9:45.

Meanwhile, just east of Nashua, Old Bradford will have its annual re-enactment that will include a number of demonstrations and be highlighted by battles that will be fought by the re-enactors at 2 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Sinnwell said the Park Board doesn't necessarily think of the annual Civil War Re-Enactment as competition to Water Over the Dam Days; rather, it sees it as a way to bring even more people to the park.

"I think years ago, the idea was that the more people who came to town, the better," he said of the re-enactment's move to the Water Over the Dam Days weekend, "and I think that's still true. I'm sure they're hoping we have some people take a break from the park and head out there, and we're hoping that people who are out there will come to the park and experience our celebration. It's a win-win, that's how I look at it."

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Naig put to work at Christmas tree farm

State forester who operates Pine Ridge Tree Farm touts timber’s importance in the state

By Travis Fischer
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Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Secretary Mike Naig came to a Nashua Christmas tree farm to promote Iowa-grown trees on Tuesday.

He did just that, but he was also put to work.

After a quick tree trimming tutorial from Pine Ridge Tree Farm owner Gary Beyer, Naig took his swipes around a couple trees, neatly cutting them into a traditional Christmas shape.

“It was fun to try my hand at it and I don’t think I ruined a tree,” said Naig.

Beyer, a retired state forester, has operated the tree farm since 1984, growing and selling Christmas trees and wreaths on about six acres of land.

While the Beyers sell several hundred trees and wreaths every year during the week-ends they are open after Thanksgiving, contrary to what one might expect June is actually the busy season at the farm.

“People don’t realize that most of the work on Christmas trees happens in the summer,” said Gary Beyer.

In order to manipulate the pines and furs to grow into their classic Christmas shape, the

trees must be trimmed at just the right time of the summer growing season to narrow the spacing of the branches. This must be done every year for seven to 12 years before the tree is ready to go.

“It takes a long time to grow them,” said Beyer.

Naig said one of his goals during his visit was to try trimming a tree or two.

“I’ve got 400 of them, so have at it,” said Beyer.

After the tour, Beyer and Naig got down to business, discussing Beyer’s perspective on agriculture issues.

A career forester, Beyer emphasized the importance of promoting and protecting Iowa’s wooded areas.

“That’s the greatest buffer system we have, that timber, to fix some of the problems we have,” said Beyer.

Not just a valuable conservation resource, Iowa does have a timber industry that is often overshadowed by other agriculture fields. Naig agreed that more attention could be paid to timber on both fronts.

“We need to think more about how we bring timber into conservation planning,” said Naig. “I’m hearing loud and clear from folks that timber has a role to play.”



Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig talks with Pine Ridge Tree Farm operator Gary Beyer during a visit to Chickasaw County on Tuesday.

Naig: Tariffs need to be used as a ‘tactic,’ not ‘strategy’

NAIG: FROM 1

On Wednesday, he spent almost 30 minutes talking about the importance of conservation efforts that Iowa farmers have undertaken — especially over the last 12 years.

He said it’s critical for both farmers and the state economy that those efforts continue; after all, Naig pointed out that crop and livestock sales in the state average \$44 billion a year and that adding in the economic activity around those sales pump \$160 billion to the state’s economy.

“Our soil, our water are at the core of our agriculture and our agriculture is at the core of our state’s economy,” Naig said. “We’re really encouraged by, excited by, what’s happening with implementing Iowa’s nutrient reduction strategy.

“What I like about where we are today is ... we’ve laid the great foundation for it. Now, we get to talk about things like how do we accelerate, how do we



Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig makes a point as he discusses conservation efforts during the annual Iowa State University Spring Field Day that was held Wednesday.

scale up, how do we do more, how do we reach more folks as opposed to saying how do we just start having that conversation?”

Naig said that for every \$1 the state puts into conservation, producers are investing \$1.15, proving as he put it, that both the state and its farmers are committed to conservation.

“There’s never been more resources focused on conservation work,” he said. “There’s never been more people doing the work of conservation, as in providing technical assistance. There’s never been more awareness about the need to do more, how do we do more, what’s available to us. There’s never been more actual work getting done.”

While conservation may have been the main topic of his presentation, he covered plenty of other issues during the question-and-answer period that followed his speech.

And the first question was on the tariffs implemented by the Trump administration that some worry will adversely affect Iowa agriculture.

“What I’m generally will hear from folks is that, I’m concerned about the impact and the potential impact, but I can see the

point, I can see what’s trying to be accomplished,” Naig said. “I happen to believe that.”

He quickly added, though, that tariffs can’t be a “strategy in and of themselves” but must be a “tactic” to secure better trade agreements.

“Tariffs as a tactic to achieve another outcome I think has proven through time to be effective,” he said and added that he’s been vocal in telling federal officials that results need to must be seen soon. “We don’t have a lot of runway here. The profitability in ag is under such pressure, margins are so compressed ... we need quick action, we need short-term gains.”

Naig said it’s hard to argue that the U.S. has had fair-trade relationships with China and the European Union but he also expressed hope for opening new markets for Iowa agriculture in places like India and Vietnam.

“India can be a real game-changer,” he said and added that Vietnam recently signed an agreement to purchase \$2 billion of U.S. ag products, \$800 million of which will come from Iowa.

Naig also said that progress needs to be made on immigration reform.

“I have long thought the

whole subject of foreign-born labor or ag worker visas ... that if we could just look at ag in and of itself, you could have passed a reform [bill] through Congress if you had left it as its own package,” he said. “But then it always gets pulled into these other pieces and it can never seem to get enough of a majority to get it through.”

The secretary said that he supports President Trump’s prioritizing border security, but he said that doesn’t mean he’s against legal immigration.

“We need Congress to act ... do it in a way that’s legal and do it in a way that it’s above board and visible, but it has to function at a capacity that frankly it hasn’t in some time,”

He pointed out that ag in many ways has challenges that other industries don’t.

“If you miss peach harvest, you miss detasseling, you miss the planting window, cows get milked every single day ... you don’t take a week off, you don’t delay that project for a month,” he said. “You have a problem when it starts to affect the food supply chain and ultimately the price consumers are paying for their food. That’s why ag needs to be prioritized in this discussion.”

Awareness on human trafficking program set for Charles City library on Monday

The Charles City Public Library will host a free public human trafficking training session, Monday, June 23 at 5:30 p.m. at 910 Clark Street, Charles City.

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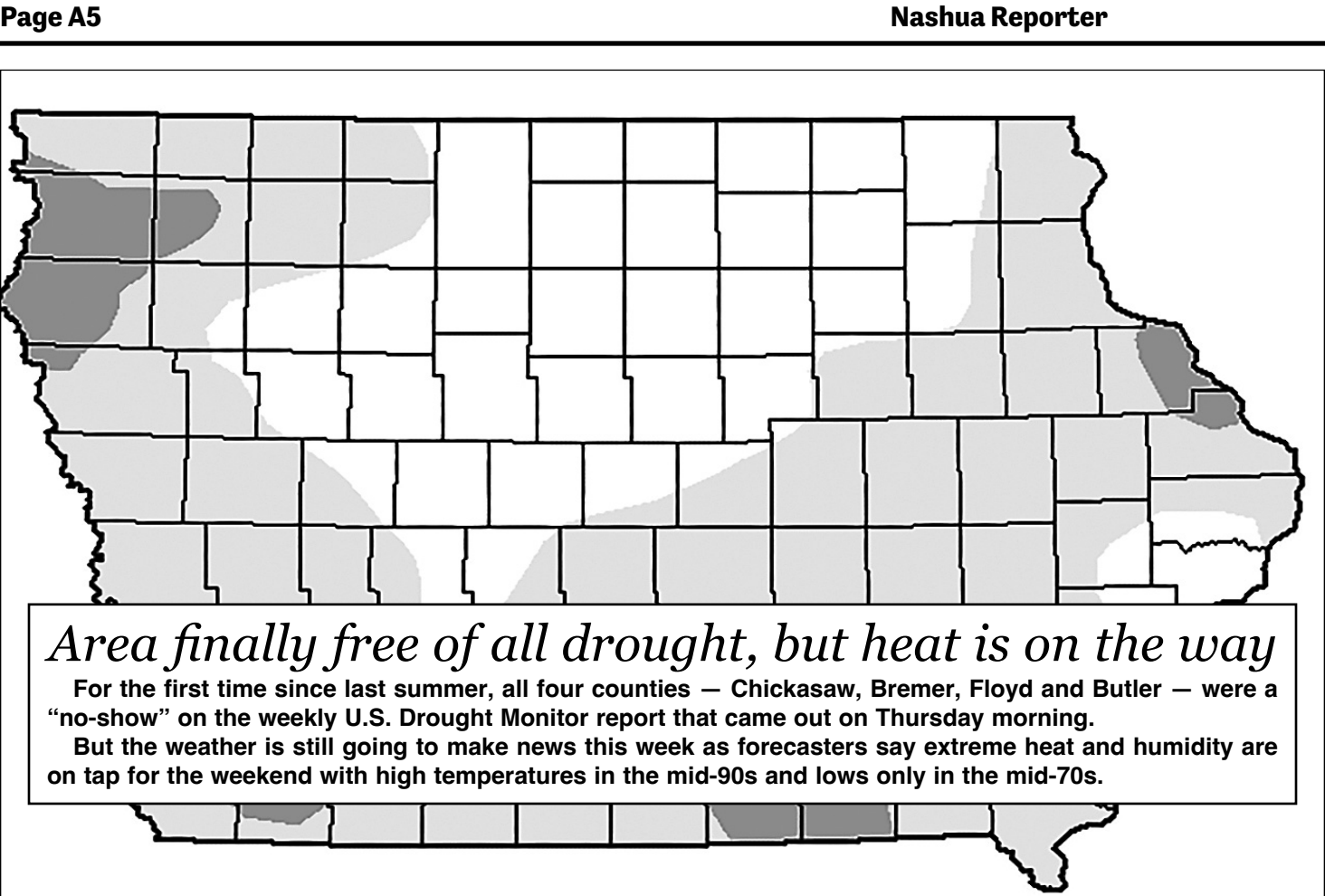
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It's a fun but tiring trip for N-P History Day qualifiers

NHD FINALISTS: FROM 1

three finish at the national competition that is held each year on the University of Maryland campus in College Park, Maryland, a suburb of Washington, D.C. Were they disappointed about finishing second? Not in the least. “We just really wanted to place,” said Kalvig, “so we were pretty cool with it.” Hall and Brase were seventh-graders this past year while Sudol, O'Neill and Kalvig were all eighth-graders. When the students began the NHD season last fall, the two seventh-graders and trio of eighth-graders were actually separate groups but when they both landed on Tinker as their subject, they merged into one. Each had their jobs: Hall did the videos, Brase handled the writing, Sudol was the organizer, O'Neill focused on formatting and Kalvig did the paperwork. And they all did the research. It added up to second place in the nation, and they did it with little, if any, drama. “We didn't argue,” Brase said. “We just tried to do a good project.” “Yeah, I'd definitely agree

with that,” Sudol said. “The more we got into it, the more we wanted it to be better.” Mehmen, meanwhile, finished in the top-10 at nationals and also claimed the competition's Agricultural History Special Award with his individual website titled “The Iowa Cow War: Moo'ving the Needle of Justice to Balance Farmers' Rights and Public Health Responsibilities” individual website. The first time he did a NHD project it was a group affair but he's been flying solo ever since. “I realized after that, it was kind of stressful to communicate back and forth,” he said, “and I just felt like it was easier to make your own decisions, be independent and all that stuff.” All six finalists, though, said that even though there are times National History Day can be stressful, it's still fun ... and competitive. The season, if you will, begins in the fall when students select topics and begin researching. In March, they take their projects to the regional competition. A month later, those that qualified head to the state competition, where the top-two finishers in each division earn trips to D.C. for nationals. And Nashua-Plainfield took

six projects and a record 14 students to Washington, but here's the rub: The projects are constantly evolving. What was taken to regionals is not what went to Des Moines for state. And what was taken to state was not the same as what went to Washington. The junior high girls, for example, made several changes to their website, including adding information they gleaned from an interview they conducted with John Tinker, one of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit against the school district who was 15 at the time and is now 70. Mehmen, meanwhile, added an interview he conducted with Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Mike Naig about the “Cow War” that took place in the 1930s. “You always have to be willing to listen to ideas, to judges,” Mehmen said, “and try to make your project better. And Turner, in a good way, is always pushing us.” Turner, of course, is retir-

ing Nashua-Plainfield educator Suzy Turner, who has led the school's powerhouse History Day program for the past 21 years. “I think what makes it special for students is they find something they're passionate about and take off with it,” she said. “I might help them, I hope I do, but they have to have the drive to keep working on it.” As they talked on Wednesday — six days after the 2025 competition ended — they were asked about their trip to Washington. The new friends they made from around the country were a plus, as was the chance to see some of the “sights” in the nation's capital. The Metro mass transit system in Washington? Maybe not so much. But to a person, they enjoyed their almost six-day experience. “I'm not going to lie, I'm still tired,” Sudol said. “I mean, it's like a good tired, but yeah, I could sleep for a while. It was fun but it was tiring.”

Area P.E.O. chapters study their roots

Members from three Northeast Iowa Philanthropic Educational Organization chapters came together to remember the seven young women who founded P.E.O. 156 years ago. Chapter EN, Nashua, and Chapter CY, Charles City, joined together for a meal and Founders' Day program presented by Laura Klapperich from Chapter AY, Osage. It was a special time for these members to remember the roots of P.E.O. P.E.O. began on the campus of Iowa Wesleyan University in 1869. P.E.O. now exists in all 50 U.S. states and six Canadian provinces. International Chapter of P.E.O. has given over \$432,000,000 in financial assistance through five post-high school education projects to more than 125,000 women. P.E.O. also owns and supports Cottey College in Nevada, Missouri. Cottey is a four-year independent liberal arts and sciences women's college. State and local chapters have donated millions more dollars toward the education of women. Anyone interested in more information about international, state and local P.E.O. projects should go to peointernational.org. The website gives information about P.E.O. grants and scholarships. Also, open “Interested in Membership?” at the very top, right-hand side of the first page to learn more.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES June 9, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, June 2, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Carter (by phone), Cerwinski and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Absent: Suckow. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Engineer Roman Lensing, Treasurer Matt Ysbrand, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Custodian Dave Gorman

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to approve the agenda for June 9, 2025. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to approve the minutes for June 2, 2025 meeting with correction. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to approve agreement with Axon for new Tasers 1st year's payment \$40,000.00 with FY 24-25 budget and \$7,548.65 to be paid annually for four years per purchase policy for Sheriff's department. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Nays: Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion failed.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve and authorize chair's signature on a vehicle lease/rental agreement between Howard County/Howard County Sheriff's department and Chickasaw County/Chickasaw County Sheriff department for \$1.00. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinski, Breitbach, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Landfill updates by Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Timber bids: Ken Knapp Logging Co \$23,605.00, Meyer Timber Service \$23,150.00, B&R Logging \$19,206.00, Bruggeman Lumber, Inc. \$14,200.00, George Solum \$14,200.00, Deutch Tree & Timber \$12,500.00

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve Conservation Department going into a sales agreement for timber with Ken Knapp Logging Co for \$23,605.00 for Twin Ponds. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinski, Breitbach, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Discussion on campgrounds and improvements by Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Discussion on Munson Park buildings and items inside by Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Conservation updates given by Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve Permission to Enter Premises Agreement with Shane Barloon for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project L-FY26(02)-73-19 and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinski, Breitbach, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski Review and Approve Permission to Enter Premises Agreement with Balik Bridges LLC for Chickasaw County Bridge Replacement Project L-FY26(01)-73-19 and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Secondary Roads update given by Engineer Roman Lensing.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to approve and authorize chair's signature on 28E Agreement with the City of New Hampton to collect delinquent parking tickets. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Committee Assignments: Supervisor Cerwinski, June 5, Northeast Iowa Response Group

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to adjourn at 10:14 AM. Roll Call: Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Carter, Hackman. Absent: Suckow Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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City of Nashua CITY COUNCIL MINUTES City Hall

The Nashua City Council met in regular session on June 16, 2025, in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with Mayor Harold Kelleher III presiding. Council members present were Jake Johnson, Samantha Johnson, Ernie Willsher, and Dan Zwanziger. Peggy Hall was absent. City employee(s) City Clerk John Ott, Nick Henningsen Water/Wastewater Supervisor, Nate Sinnwell Park Board President, and City Attorney David Skilton were present along with 3 guests.

Council member Willsher/M, J. Johnson/S, M/C to approve the regular agenda after amending to remove Action/Discussion items 11A Reviewing Bids for 1020 Greeley St. and 11J 115 Cedar Hill Pool Fill. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

Mayor Kelleher asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the regular meeting June 2, 2025; Permits: Liquor Licenses/Renewals: Big Willie's Tavern Special Event, Big 4 Fair, and Northeast Iowa Welcome Center; Building: 63 Bayou Dr. and 802 Andrews St.; and the Consent Calendar Payment of Claims: (May 30-June 12, 2025) \$27,659.41+ \$10,485.69 (Wages) See Claims Report.

General Fund:..... \$15,945.37 Lake/Dam: \$2,400.00 Road Use: \$2,849.95 Employee Benefit: \$1,459.29 Dam Repair After FEMA: \$1,000.00 Perm Funds Lib. Watson: \$858.63 Water: \$7,426.20 Sewer: \$6,205.66 Total Funds: \$38,145.10

J. Johnson/M, Willsher/S, M/C, to approve the consent agenda. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

Mayor Kelleher asked for public comments: Nate Sinnwell Park Board President invited the council and city staff to a dedication for Pa's Playground for a presentation on the playground design.

Resolutions: Mayor Kelleher asked the council for a motion to approve the following resolutions: 25-19(2) Resolution to Approve Public Consulting Group Emergency Services Agreement. J. Johnson/M, Willsher/S, M/C to table the resolution at the recommendation of Attorney Skilton. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

25-20(2) Resolution to Re-Appoint Ami Hagen to the Nashua Public Library Board. J. Johnson/M, Zwanziger/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

Business of the Mayor: Mayor Kelleher wanted to remind everyone to make sure they are checking on requirements for vehicles on public streets including, but not limited to registration, lights, turn signals, etc. He noted that there have been several vehicles driving on public streets illegally.

Department Reports: City Clerk Ott informed the council that the bank reconciliation for May has been completed and is ready for review. He also reviewed May's financial reports.

City Clerk Ott shared Deputy Clerk Berends updates. There are several curb stops that are in need of repair. Letters to assess past due accounts have been sent.

City Council: They had no information to report. Nick Henningsen Water/Wastewater Supervisor presented his monthly report. He reported that the water loss for May was 23% and that didn't include any water used by city facilities so the percentage may have been a little lower. He said that the equipment that is used to check lateral lines should be back in two weeks and so when the equipment is available, he will have the lateral lines on Bayou Dr. televised. He mentioned that the spiral screen is scheduled to be installed on June 30th. He also mentioned that he had to change some pumps around because one of them failed.

Zade McCall shared some photographs on 203 Charles City Road where the ditch washes out. The city crew has placed some rocks to help with the wash-out.

There was no library report.

Discussion/Action: The council discussed and/or acted on several agenda items.

The council reviewed the site survey provided by Shuck Britton.

J. Johnson/M, Zwanziger/S, M/C to start the nuisance abatement process for 305 Main St. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

City Clerk Ott gave a brief update on the Small-Town Coaching Program that the city is participating in along with two other Midwest communities. This is a pilot program to help small towns with dilapidated Main St. buildings and how to potentially reuse the sites.

J. Johnson/M, Willsher/S, M/C to have Rhonda pick up the cans for the fireworks donations at the campground and by Dairy Treat and take them to Cedar River Redemption Center.

S. Johnson/M, J. Johnson/S, M/C to approve City Attorney Skilton working with the Chickasaw County Attorney on drafting a 28E Agreement to transfer all of the guns, evidence, case files, etc. from the Nashua Police Department to the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Department, so that they would have full responsibility and field all inquiries. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

Attorney Skilton gave a brief update on the Veteran's Park Pier Project. He said the power at Veteran's Park is in and it will be inspected this week. He also said he is working with the city's Street Superintendent Zade McCall with the location of the gravel pads for the food vendors.

The council reviewed an agreement for long-term camping.

S. Johnson/M, J. Johnson/S, M/C to approve the closure of Main St. for Water Over the Dam Days. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

City Clerk Ott informed the council that the Iowa DNR had contacted him regarding the SRF loan for the Greeley St. Project. They would like to know if Nashua is going to continue the project or cancel it. City Clerk Ott will send the council more information.

Nick Henningsen gave the council an update on a leak at the splash pad. There is a broken pipe underneath the splash pad and if the lines are below the splash pad, they could pipe burst the line, but if the line is ran inside the concrete they would have to camera the line and break up a section of the splashpad once the location of the leak has been determined. He mentioned that it isn't an immediate repair as they were able to isolate where the leak is coming from and get that section shut off. He said they could wait until Fall to repair it.

S. Johnson motioned to end the open session and go into closed session. J. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent. The meeting went into closed session at 7:41PM. The reason the council went into closed session was 21.5(1)(C) of the Iowa Code to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. After discussion, S. Johnson motioned to end closed session and resume open session. J. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent. The closed session ended and the meeting resumed open session at 7:53PM. After discussion, S. Johnson/M, Zwanziger/S, M/C to follow the recommendation of Attorney Skilton. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent.

Other Business: There was no other business.

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S. Johnson/M to adjourn, J. Johnson/S, M/C. RC: 4 ayes, Hall absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:54PM.

Pending Approval by City Council John Ott

CLAIMS REPORT (May 30-June 12, 2025)

VENDOR REFERENCE AMOUNT

KATRINA'S HELPFUL HOUSE CLEANING, WC-FEB '25 CLEANING \$1,263.00

CAPTIVATING CRAFTS LLC, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$41.21

JAN CLEMENT, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'2 5 \$83.63

DEE-LICIOUS UNIQUE TREATS, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$40.50

DEUTH, BRENDA, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$120.00

DORMAN, JOLYNN \$71.25

SHERYL DORMAN WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$123.24

FRISKY FOX V INE-YARD LLP WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$48.39

KREATIVE SISTERS KRAFTS, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$75.00

DAVID KESLER, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$30.75

ABIGAIL KROMMINGA, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$34.50

SHARON LEERHOFF, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$79.90

MAAS, ROBERTA C., WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$47.19

MILLER, TRISHA, WC-MAY \$60 LESS Q1 CORCTN 3.75 \$56.25

JANET PETEFISH, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$43.50

ROBERSON, AMANDA WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$43.50

NANCY SCHERER, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$132.56

SENNER, ANN L, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$51.00

SNOOK, KIRT, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$120.00

LISA STEINLAGE, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$61.84

SHIRLEY STEVENSON, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$39.00

WORDES CYNTHIA A, WC-VENDOR SALES MAY'25 \$263.84

BADGER METER \$691.60

BUTLER-BREMER COMMUNICATIONS, PHONE EXP JUNE'25 \$316.92

DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP, SWR-PAINT \$109.01

FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE, PK/ST/WW-ROUNDUP SPRAY \$142.85

HAWKINS, INC., WTR/SWR-CL&SO2 \$2,670.51

IOWA MUNICIPALITIES WORKERS, WORKER'S COMPENSATION PREMIUM \$1,670.00

IOWA ONE CALL LOCATES \$44.10

KATRINA'S HELPFUL HOUSE CLEANING, CH-MAY'25 CLEANING \$177.00

NASSCO, WC/PARK-TP \$256.89

ENTERPRISE MEDIA INC, CH-LEGAL PUBLICATION \$594.45

PEDERSON PLUMBING PARK-URINAL SPUD \$14.00

RILEY'S INC. CH-COPY FEES MAY'25 \$220.28

SCHUETH ACE HARDWARE WTR/PARK-HOSE/BALLCK/PRIMER \$34.97

T & K TRACTOR REPAIR HYL-FOR SWEEPER \$44.73

THE MILL, INC. PARK-SEED \$145.00

U.S. POST OFFICE CH-PO BOX ANNUAL FEE \$340.98

USCELLULAR, WTR/SWR-CELL LINES JULY'25 \$203.88

BOOMERANG DAM-CAP PROJ ARCHIT/CONTRACTOR \$1,000.00

COOLEY PUMPING PARK-CEDAR VIEW PARK-JUNE'25 \$300.00

DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP WTR-SLV REPAIR ITEMS HYDR/BOX \$664.75

MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL WWTR PLANT-SPRAY FOR WEEDS/BUG \$243.93

MILLS INC SPLASH PAD REPIRS \$952.46

WEX BANK CITY FUEL EXPENSES \$783.94

MEHMEN, KARMEN WC-REIMBURSE - DEPOSIT WAS \$100.00

OTT, JOHN 2025 MUNICIPAL PROF ACADEMY \$506.51

THE MILL, INC. DAM - OIL \$2,400.00

WALK PRICHARD BARESEL&MURPHY P CH-FORECLOSURE LEGAL \$49.00

BAKER & TAYLOR LIB-BOOKS \$184.67

BOOK LOOK \$240.69

BUTLER-BREMER COMMUNICATIONS LIB-PHONE EXP JUNE'25 \$38.99

CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT LIB-BOOKS \$48.00

HEATHER M. HACKMAN LIB-TRAINING/TRAVEL \$24.80

INGRAM LIB-BOOKS/DVDS \$195.27

IOWA OUTDOORS LIB-SUBSCRIPTION \$15.00

NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY LIB-POSTAGE/PROGRAM SUPPLIES \$37.11

PEOPLE LIB-SUB 80 ISSUES \$179.20

PHILLIPS REFRIGERATION, LIB-FOUNTAIN/SOFTNER \$90.00

RAPID PRINTERS LIB-COPY PAPER/ORGANIZER \$88.58

RILEY'S INC., LIB-OFFICE SUPPLIES \$469.80

ROLLER CITY LIB-COSTUME RENTALS \$375.00

JOSH CASTER DRIVER 5/12 \$25.00

SCOTT CERWINSKE DRIVER 5/30 \$25.00

CORATHERS, TABATHA EMT-5/12 \$90.00

HOBERT, KARAGAN MAY-ASSISTANT CREW CHIEF \$105.00

KARELS, ABRAM DRIVER 5/20 \$25.00

MCCALL, ZADE DRIVER 5/13 \$25.00

MOHS, DANNON MAY-CREW CHIEF \$135.00

SHOEMAKER, CINDY EMT-5/14 \$30.00

ZENDA VIKTUREK MAY-EMS DIRECTOR \$180.00

IRS - USA TAX PAYMENT FED/FICA TAX \$3,099.87

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TRIONFO SOLUTIONS, LLC DEATH/ DISABILITY JUNE'25 \$178.65

AMAZON PRK-SPLASH PAD PIPE UNION SCH8 \$34.05

CSG FORTE PAYMENTS WTR/SWR-ACH BANK FEES MAY'25 \$61.25

Accounts Payable Total \$27,659.41

Payroll Checks \$10,485.69

***** REPORT TOTAL ***** \$38,145.10

GENERAL FUND \$15,945.37

LAKE/DAM \$2,400.00

ROAD USE \$2,849.95

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT \$1,459.29

DAM REPAIR-AFTER FEMA \$1,000.00

PERM FUNDS-LIB WATSON \$858.63

WATER \$7,426.20

SEWER \$6,205.66

TOTAL FUNDS \$38,145.10

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Supervisors discuss potential TIF projects

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County Conservation Board, but as experts point out, urban-renewal plans are ever changing.

Hackman said that, as of now, the Conservation Board would rather not put up a new building on the site of the old landfill because of a lack of water and other utilities.

Board members then discussed having the County Engineer's Office move from the courthouse to the shop that is located at 1990 Mission Ave. One of the recommendations from the committee was to spend up to \$1.6 million to undertake improvements and/or construct replacement buildings at the shop.

"I personally think it would be beneficial to have our office located with our department," County Engineer Roman Lensing said. "I believe I'm the only department head not under the same roof or on the same parcel as their employees. We have a fairly big department. I think it would help efficiencies out there."

Supervisor Issac Carter, though, said he wasn't sure he could support having the county construct another building when so many believe the county already has too many buildings and that it should sell at least one or two of them.

Still, although no final decisions were made on Monday, the remainder of the board seemed to like the idea of kicking off the TIF projects at the county shop.

Among the other projects recommended by the TIF Committee last fall were \$9.59 million for road projects for work on V18 from the south city limits of Alta Vista to the Chickasaw County line, reconstruction of North Linn and

South Linn and two bridge replacements — one on 170th Street and one on B57 and using up to \$20 million for the renovation of the current Sheriff's Office building and the construction of an adjacent new 24-hour holding facility.

Hackman, though, said because of electrical concerns at the current site and the questions about remodeling a building that is almost 70 years old, he thinks board members should consider moving the Sheriff's Office to the Heritage Center and construct the 24-hour holding facility there.

That, however, means the county could not use TIF funds at that site, for only the Secondary Roads shop, the old landfill site and the current Sheriff's Office were declared as "blight" in a report the county received last year.

To move the Sheriff's Office to the Heritage, the county would have to rely on ending fund balances and/or a bond referendum for the move.

Hackman said "we are getting so close to the jail inspector saying, 'You're down to a 24-hour facility,' and at some point, that may not even be it."

"I think he would just say you're shut down," Sheriff Ryan Shawver said. "I think he would reclassify it."

Shawver said that the current jail is basically serving as a 24-hour facility, and he is worried about the day when the county can't use it.

"To take them over there [to the Floyd County Jail in Charles City] on an initial arrest would be probably a logistical nightmare and leave the county uncovered," he said.

Suckow returned to the subject of having the county engineer move out to the shop — pointing out that Lensing's



The Secondary Roads Shop that is located at 1990 Mission Ave. in New Hampton could be home to the County Engineer's Office.

administrative assistant, Renae Carey, also serves as the county's safety director.

"I kind of feel like the safety director should be in the courthouse," he said.

"There are more departments that are out of the courthouse than in the courthouse," Lensing said.

Later in the discussion, Hackman pointed out that the engineer's office move would be a "smaller project" and be a good way to kick off TIF funding.

"The engineer's office out at the Secondary Roads shop is probably your most shovel-ready project as far potential for capturing that goes," Lensing said.

In the end, supervisors agreed.

"I think we have to start looking at that as the first project," Supervisor Steve Breitbach said. "We've been told over and over that the plan is probably going to change a lot over the years, but we have to start somewhere."

Bob Fenske/Reporter

Briefs

'Celebrities' will get a chance to show sheep and meat goat at fair

The Chickasaw County 4-H & FFA Achievement Show will host a Celebrity Sheep & Meat Goat Showmanship Contest on Thursday, July 10.

The event will take place immediately following the Sheep & Meat Goat Show at approximately 6 p.m.

This fun and friendly competition is open to anyone 19 years of age or older who is not currently a 4-H or FFA member. Participants will show a current 4-H or FFA member's animal from the 2025 Achievement Show. Proper show attire is required: shirt, jeans, and hard-soled boots or shoes. All participants must sign a liability waiver prior to the event.

Each contestant must secure a \$100 sponsorship (payable to Chickasaw County Extension). The registration deadline for the contest is Thursday, July 10 at 2 p.m. and can be made at the Extension Office or by calling 641-394-2174.

Archery class set for Twin Ponds Nature Center July 10

Have you ever been interested in shooting archery? If so, come out to Twin Ponds for an Introduction to Archery program on July 10. "We will go over the basics of archery before giving you a chance to shoot one of our compound bows," said naturalist Matt Crayne in a press release. "These bows were designed for people from fourth grade - adult."

The event will be held Thursday, July 10 at 6 p.m.; pre-registration is required by calling 641-394-4714.

Dementia services available from area agency on aging

Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging (NEI3A) is proud to announce the launch of Dementia Friendly Iowa's Dementia Service Specialist (DSS) Consultations, a free service for individuals and families navigating dementia.

"At NEI3A, we recognize how overwhelming dementia can be for both individuals and families," said a press release for the organization. "Our new DSS Consultations are designed to provide personalized support, guidance, and resources to those navigating dementia."

Each consultation is led by a trained Dementia Service Specialist who will:

- Assess the current situation, including symptoms and stage of dementia
- Help develop a clear care plan
- Provide vital education on dementia progression, safety strategies, and communication tips
- Offer tools and techniques to support caregivers
- Connect families with local resources such as support groups
- Facilitate a unique dementia simulation experience to help caregiver better understand dementia

Every session concludes with a customized roadmap and trusted referrals, ensuring participants leave feeling informed, supported, and empowered.

The contact for DSS Consultations is Erick Hill, Dementia Service Specialist, who may be reached at 319-287-1163 or ehill@nei3a.org.

Wartburg College dean's list

Wartburg College has recognized 501 students who were named the to the Winter/May term dean's list.

Those honored include:

New Hampton: Ali Russler, Zoe Worpel.

Nashua: McKade Munn.

The list honors students who earned a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or above in at least five course credits during the terms. Four of the five course credits have to be graded with a traditional letter grade.

South Dakota State dean's list

South Dakota State University announces Emma O'Neill of Nashua has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2025 semester.

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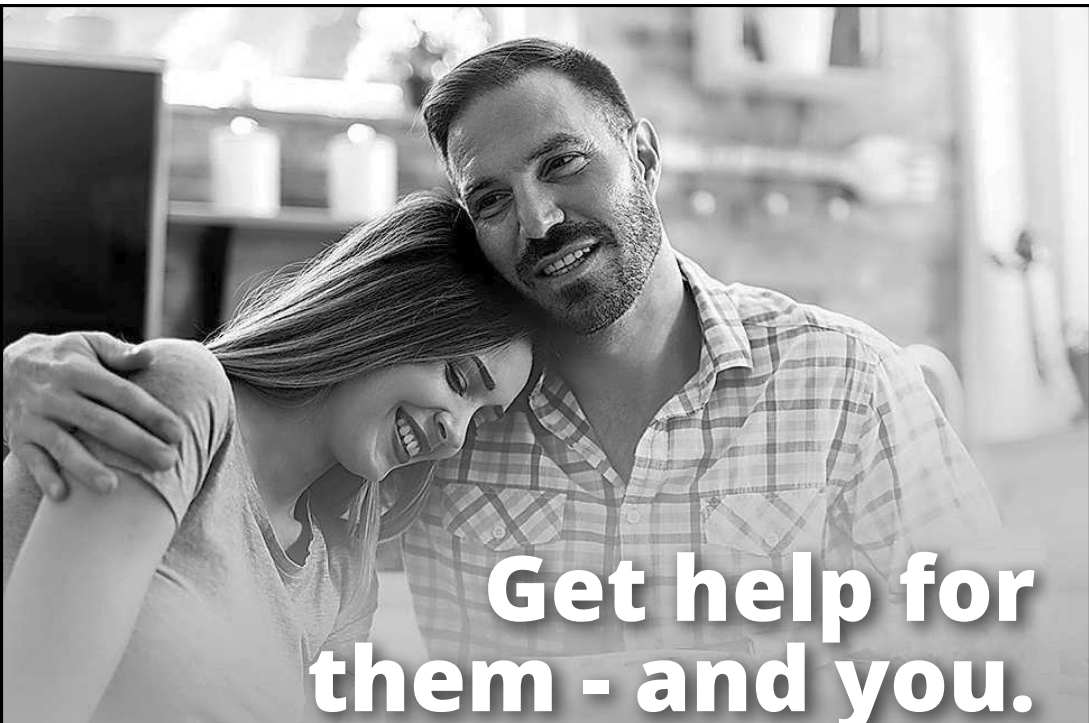


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The trip will start from Pearl Rock Canoe Launch Site, in Chickasaw County, to North Cedar Park in Bremer County.

All participants are required to wear a life jacket during the float. Please contact Chickasaw County Conservation if you have concerns about sizing for life jackets and they will accommodate you as best they can.

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Relay for Life save the date

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Restoration of the face of the building was done by Restoration Services of Waterloo, Alpha Builders, Hackman-Carolan Painting, and Decorah Mobile Glass.

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- 10:00 WODD Parade (Line up at football field)
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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield leftfielder Karson Chyma (left) makes a nice running catch while teammate Ethan Franzen (right) prepares to receive a pitch during Wednesday night's game against Northwood-Kensett in which the Huskies claimed a 1-0 win.

Huskies look to build some momentum for postseason

BASEBALL: FROM 10

well against Northwood. Dawson pitched great, but we made some plays, too.” Hyde said one of the keys is to find pitchers to step up for the Huskies when Glaser isn’t on the mound. When Glaser hasn’t been on the hill, Nashua-Plainfield hurlers have issued 555 walks and hit 25 batters in 36 2/3 innings. “With Dawson, he’s got three pitches – fastball, curveball and splitter – that he can throw for strikes,” he said. “The game’s a lot easier for a pitcher when they you’re throwing strikes. And he doesn’t care who’s in the box. He’s going to be aggressive; he’s

going to attack. “That’s what our other guys have to take from that. There’s potential there, I think, but we just have to have kids be more confident out there on the mound.” Nashua-Plainfield played a doubleheader of sorts on Thursday as the Huskies made up their game with West Fork and then took on Janesville in a non-conference game. They then take on Central Springs at home on Monday for Senior Night before traveling to St. Ansgar on Wednesday. “We need to forget about the first half, even the win over Saint,” Hyde said, “and focus on what we can do the rest of the

way. Like I said, let’s find a way to build some momentum for the playoffs. That has to be what we’re focused on.” Glaser agreed, especially when he was asked about how the Huskies’ attitude was faring despite the 3-8 start to the season. “You know, we’re really trying to stay positive,” he said. “I know some of the younger guys are getting a little frustrated – more at themselves and not the team – but hey, we can’t change what’s happened, but we can change what’s going to happen.”

NEW HAMPTON 11, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 1			
New Hampton	302	024	- 11
Nashua-Plainfield	001	000	- 1

Kolbie Vance	2 IP, 2 H, 3 R, 3 ER, 1 BB, 3 K;	Nic Brase	4 IP, 6 H, 8 R, 8 ER, 4 BB, 4 K.
Runs – Vance	1.	Hits – Zeke Kalainoff	2, Vance 1, Matthew Malven 1.

WEST FORK 13, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 2			
Nashua-Plainfield	011	00	- 2
West Fork	262	3x	- 12
Zeke Kalainoff	1 1/3 IP, 5 H, 8 R, 6 ER, 3 BB, 2 K;	Clayden Gerholdt	2 2/3 IP, 3 H, 5 R, 1 ER 4 BB, 2 K.
Runs – Dawson Glaser	1, Kamden Chyma 1.	Hits – Vance	2, Malven 1, Glaser 1, Chyma 1.
NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 1, N-K 0			
Northwood-K’sett	000	000	- 0
Nashua-Plainfield	100	000	- 1
Glaser	6 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 2 BB, 8 K.	2B – Malven.	Runs – Malven 1.
Hits – Glaser	2, Malven 1.	RBI’s – Glaser 1.	

Softball slate will be hectic for the Huskies

SOFTBALL: FROM 10

Nashua-Plainfield still has to play its entire second round of the conference schedule as well as several non-conference games. Those games included Thursday night’s home game against Janesville, a trip to Newman today and the New Hampton Invitational that includes the host Chickasaws, Turkey Valley and Denver on Saturday. Meanwhile, the Huskies’ game with Northwood-Kensett will be resumed next Friday at noon. “It’s going to be a little hectic,” Stastny-Hall said, “but we’re kind of starting our season over with going through the conference a second time. We played with Central Springs, we played with Newman for most of that game, and we’ve talked to the girls about let’s build on things like that and keep getting better.”

SOUTH WINNESHIEK 6, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 5			
SW	001	101	3 - 6
NP	100	004	0 - 5
Callie Jensen	7 IP, 10 H, 6 R, 5 ER, 2 BB, 10 K.	2B – Nevaeh Bloker.	HR – Kami Hannemann.
Runs – Bloker	1, Elayna O’Neill 1, Hannemann 1, Lydia Chester 1, Allison Miller 1.	Hits – Miller 2, Bloker 1, Abi Schmitt 1, Jensen 1, Hannemann 1, Bailey Bond 1, Chester 1.	RBI’s – Hannemann 2, Bloker 2, Schmitt 1.
WEST FORK 15, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 0			
Nashua-Plainfield	000	- 0	
West Fork	285	- 15	
Hannah Brahn	2 1/3 IP, 9 H, 13 R, 10 ER, 5 BB, 1 K;	Miller	2/3 IP, 1 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 3 BB, 1 K.
Hits – Bloker	1, Madison Wahl 1.		



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield softball players stand at attention for the playing of the national anthem before a recent home game.

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Baseball at Mason City Newman, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball at Mason City Newman, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

SATURDAY
Varsity softball vs. New Hampton, Denver and Turkey Valley at New Hampton Invitational, 9 a.m.

MONDAY
Baseball vs. Central Springs, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball vs. Central Springs, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

TUESDAY
Baseball at Rockford, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball at Rockford, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

WEDNESDAY
Baseball at St. Ansgar, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball at St. Ansgar, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

THURSDAY
Baseball at Osage, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball at Osage, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

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Varsity softball vs. Northwood-Kensett, resumption of suspended game, noon

MONDAY, JUNE 30
Baseball at North Butler, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball at North Butler, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

TUESDAY, JULY 1
Baseball vs. Riceville, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Softball vs. Riceville, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2
Varsity baseball vs. Charles City, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 3
Softball at Aplington-Parkersburg, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

SATURDAY, JULY 5
Varsity baseball vs. Riceville, first-round Class 1A district game, Calmar, 5 p.m.

Dairy Foundation to host event June 28

Northeast Iowa Dairy & Agriculture Foundation will be celebrating local farmers at the Grill & Chill on the Farm. This free-will donation event is on Saturday, June 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Iowa’s Dairy Center in Calmar.

Enjoy a Taste of Iowa picnic, milkshakes, a tram tour of the dairy and beef centers, petting zoo, fun and engaging activities, and live music from The Bruce Bearinger Band. On-site parking is available.

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Nashua-Plainfield shortstop Clayden Gerholdt comes up throwing to record an out in a game against New Hampton last week.

N-P snaps skid with no-hitter

Glaser's gem on the mound lifts Huskies 1-0 win over Northwood-Kensett

By Bob Fenske
Of the Reporter

Dawson Glaser's answer to the question — what's the key to good pitching — came quickly.

"Throw strikes," he said, "and that's really not much of a secret."

The Nashua-Plainfield senior did just that on Wednesday evening as he pitched a six-inning no-hitter to give the Huskies a 1-0 win over Northwood-Kensett. That snapped a five-game losing skid for coach Mason Hyde's team and continued what has been a standout season — no matter what the record says — on the mound for the Nashua-Plainfield ace.

Glaser evened his record at 2-2 as he struck out eight and walked just two as Nashua-Plainfield completed the season sweep of the Vikings. The victory improved the Huskies' overall record to 3-8 and Top of Iowa Conference East Division mark to 3-5.

"I felt good, and pretty much everything was working," Glaser said. "I knew we needed a win, and I just wanted to give us a chance to get one. We're trying to stay positive, and honestly if we can start throwing strikes and start hitting — I know it's in us — I think we still have the capability of being a good team."

With Glaser on the mound, anything is possible.

He's posted a 1.77 earned-run average and has struck out 44 and walked 14 in 31 2/3 innings of work on the mound. Take away a complete-game 10-2 loss to Newman back on May 30, and Glaser's ERA would be a minuscule 0.85.

Did he learn anything from that Newman game? After all, since then, he's beaten second-ranked St. Ansgar, lost a brilliant pitcher's duel with North Butler's Brody Wangsness and left Northwood-Kensett scratching its head.

"I don't know if I've learned anything," he said. "I think I've locked in more maybe been bearing down better, but really I think I've pitched the same way I did that Newman game. I guess if I learned anything it's that Newman can really hit, and I had to just put it behind me."

Besides a nasty streak of wildness by Nashua-Plainfield pitchers not named Glaser, the big issue for the Huskies thus far this season has been a lack of offense. Through 11 games, Nashua-Plainfield had plated just 31 runs, and 20 of those came in two games.

It was more of the same Wednesday



Photos courtesy of Jenn Kalainoff

Nashua-Plainfield's Dawson Glaser (above) delivers a pitch while teammate Eli Kalainoff (below) sees the ball into his glove to record an out during Monday's game against Northwood-Kensett.

against Northwood-Kensett as the Huskies lone tally came in the bottom of the first when Matthew Malven doubled and scored on Glaser's RBI single.

"We have to hit the ball better. I know that, the kids know that, everyone knows that," he said, "but you know we took the whole weekend off and I actually didn't mind getting the rain out on Monday [against West Fork] because it gave the guys another day off. We had a good practice on Tuesday and we told the guys that we're basically restarting the season. We've been through the conference and now we're starting over."

The goal now is not only to get some wins but also to build some momentum going into districts," Hyde said of the postseason tournament that begins on Saturday, July 5, when the Huskies play Riceville in a first-round game at South Winneshiek in Calmar. "And I thought we played pretty

SEE BASEBALL, 9



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Nashua-Plainfield catcher Nevaeh Bloker (above) gets ready to fire a throw down the second while teammate Abi Schmitt makes a throw in a game against Hampton-Dumont-CAL earlier this season.

Huskies lose heartbreaker, battle some weather issues

N-P softball team sees 5-3 lead evaporate in loss to South Winn, struggles to get games played because of the rain

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The Top of Iowa Conference East Division is, in a word, loaded.

And that's the challenge facing Nashua-Plainfield coach Jessica Stastny-Hall and her Huskies.

That's what made last week's heartbreaking 6-5 non-conference loss to South Winneshiek so tough to swallow. With wins hard to come by in the TIC East, letting one slip away against the Warriors was frustrating.

Nashua-Plainfield turned a 3-1 deficit into a 5-3 lead with a four-run sixth inning that was highlighted by Kami Hannemann's two-run homer, and the Huskies were just three outs away from their second win of the season.

The Warriors, though, put together their own big inning, using three hits and a costly error, to plate three runs and rally for the victory.

"We played really well that sixth inning and we just couldn't quite carry it over into the seventh," Stastny-Hall said, "and that one stung a lot. We did a lot of good things, just not enough to get the win."

Callie Jensen had a solid night in the pitcher's circle as she struck out 10 and walked just two. The Huskies also had eight hits, including two hits by Allison Miller and a double by Nevaeh Bloker.

A night later, though, Nashua-Plainfield struggled on



a couple of fronts. First, the opponent was West Fork — one of four TIC East team that are in the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union rankings; the others are Osage, Mason City, Newman and Central Springs. Second, Jensen was out and a number of Huskies were battling illnesses.

"We had Hannah [Braun] pitching and I mean you could tell she wasn't feeling well at all," Stastny-Hall said, "and she wasn't the only one. We're not feeling well and playing a team like West Fork, which is really good, that's not a good combination. And then Nevaeh got hurt and that really took the wind out of our sales."

And the result was a 16-0 Warhawk victory that dropped the Huskies to 1-11 overall and 1-7 in the TIC East.

And as of Thursday, the Huskies had yet to play a game — or at least a full one — this week. Monday night's rematch with West Fork was postponed until July 1 because of rain, and Wednesday evening, the Huskies were tied with Northwood-Kensett 2-2 in the bottom of the third inning when Mother Nature again came calling.

"It's kind of been a little wild with the weather," the Nashua-Plainfield coach said. "It started with that New Hampton game last week [that was canceled after just two batters came to the plate because of lightning] and this week, it's been kind of a mess. And now I see there's more rain in the forecast [for Friday]."

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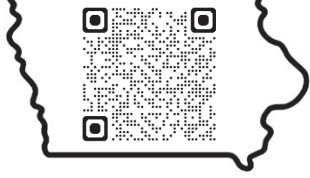
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