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County budget battle delayed

With new state law, supervisors put off vote on setting public hearing

By BOB FENSKE
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors will wait at least another week to decide if it will approve a "maximum levy" for the county that will need a "super majority" to pass.

Board members were scheduled Tuesday to consider a resolution that would set the first of two public hear-

ings on the 2023-24 budget and tax levy, but after a new law was signed into law by Gov. Kim Reynolds on Monday, supervisors backed off considering a resolution that would see increases to the county's tax-asking for the fiscal year that begins July 1.

The new law, approved by the Legislature last week, corrects a mistake in valuations for multi-dwelling housing and also includes extending

the deadline, from March 31 to April 30, for counties to certify their budgets.

So the budget showdown that some expected on Tuesday never materialized.

Under the current budget proposal, the county is asking for a 3.6 percent increase in tax-asking for its general basic and general supplemental funds and a 21.9 percent increase in tax-ask-

ing for its Rural Services Basic (RSB) funds.

A sizable amount of that increase is to help the county pay its share of the costs for the new ambulance service it started on Jan. 1.

Under state law, if a county's total tax-asking increases by more than 2 percent, it must have at least a two-thirds of the Board of Supervisors

approve the request. With a five-member board, that means to approve the resolution to set a public hearing, four yes votes will be

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Board gives its blessing to school daycare

District will contribute \$100,000 to \$312,000 wrap-around facility

By BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton Elementary School will be the home of a "wrap-around" daycare center, beginning with the 2023-24 school year, thanks to a decision by the School Board Monday night.

Board members voted 3-1 to partner with

Little Sprouts Daycare and to contribute \$100,000 to a \$312,000 project that would lead to remodeling of the old middle school weight room for the new daycare, as well as doing work at Little Sprouts' main center at First United Methodist Church.

The action came after almost an hour of discussion in which board member Nate Schwickerath expressed his opposition not to the daycare at the school but to the district providing funding to the project.

Little Sprouts Board President Brian Carolan, the daycare's director, Amy Ameling, and New Hampton Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson presented the case for the school daycare, which would serve school-aged children before school, after school and on no-school days.

The plan they presented would allow the daycare to take out a \$312,000 loan from a federal program that would be administered by the New Hampton Municipal Light Plant. That loan would bear zero interest for 10 years, and once it is paid back, that money would remain in New Hampton as part of a revolving loan fund for other community projects.

"That would get both of the centers in shape to be able to use them the way we would want to use them," Carolan said.

The plan would be to move school-age children to the school, opening up 22 spots for infants and toddlers at the church.

"It seemed like a sensible idea to eliminate that transportation piece for our 3-year-olds

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton FFA advisor Jim Russ talks with high school students during an assembly Tuesday held not only to mark National FFA Week but also to honor the longtime teacher who will be retiring at the end of the school year.

SURPRISING THE ADVISOR

ASSEMBLY INCLUDES ANNOUNCEMENT RUSS IS UP FOR PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

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New Hampton FFA Advisor Jim Russ had been through these pep assemblies before, but he figured this one might be a little special; after all, it was the final National FFA Week assembly he'd experience before heading off into retirement at the end of the school year.

But it turned out to be a lot more than a little special as his FFA students surprised him with the announcement that he has been named one of the finalists for the prestigious Golden Owl Award, which honors outstanding Iowa agriculture educators for their contributions preparing the next generation for successful ag careers.

When Iowa Department of Education official Matthew Eddy, Iowa FFA Secretary Holly

Schmitt and Nationwide Insurance's Erin Cummings were done presenting the award Tuesday, the student body of New Hampton High School rose as one.

And the longtime ag teacher was, in a word, touched.

"I honestly didn't know anything about it

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New Hampton police chief to take over as chief deputy

Board acknowledges hiring of Nobsisch; sheriff presents amendment to budget

By BOB FENSKE
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It's now official - Chickasaw County has a new chief deputy and the city of New Hampton is in search of a new police chief.

That's because the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday voted unanimously to acknowledge the hiring of New Hampton Police Chief Zach Nobsisch as Sheriff Ryan Shawver's chief deputy, effective March 6.

Shawver had originally asked supervisors to acknowledge Nobsisch's hiring at the

board's Feb. 6 meeting, but board members were hesitant to make the hire because the position had not been posted.

At the time, County Attorney David Laudner said he felt supervisors could approve Nobsisch's hiring but added that it would be "cleaner" if the county internally posted the position.

On Tuesday, Shawver said he received no other applications, and board members acknowledged Nobsisch's hiring.

Nobsisch will now officially submit his resignation to

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Championship kiss!

Chantal and Al Papousek share a kiss last Thursday night after the couple claimed the title at New Hampton's Rotary Club annual Not-So-Newlywed Game.

The Papouseks bested other couples — Brian and Anita Quirk, Andrew and Liz Zweibohmer, Nick and Leslie Noehl, and Logan and Kayla Smith — to claim the title at the Rotary fundraiser that was hosted by former champs Chuck and Marla Stanton.

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Pretty cool pets

We celebrate "man's best friends" so check out our annual Pawsome Pets pages Next Week's Tribune



Third place at state

NH/TV's McShane picks up medal at Class 2A state wrestling tournament Page 14



End of the road

Chickasaw, Trojan boys teams fall in respective district tournaments Page 14



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton FFA Advisor Jim Russ and his wife, Sandra, join students in performing the "Cupid Shuffle" during a pep assembly Tuesday to mark National FFA Week.

Advisor is thankful for surprising, yet wonderful, assembly

FFA: FROM 1

because the officers and Miss Bauler planned all of it," he said, referring to his students and Rachel Bauler, the student teacher who was hired Monday night by the School Board to be his replacement. "I figured they had everything figured out. I had no idea ..."

He paused for a moment and fought a losing battle against his emotions.

"A standing ovation, I definitely wasn't prepared for that," he said. "It was awesome ... and we can't thank you enough."

The "we" was the team of Jim and Sandra Russ, who is also retiring at the end of school year after working as a special education instructor in New Hampton for 13 years..

And more than one speaker talked about that team, and how they've lifted a dying New Hampton FFA program to new heights in the 15 years since Jim Russ first stepped through the doors of New Hampton High.

When he arrived, former Iowa FFA President Michael Tupper, a 2014 graduate of New Hampton, pointed out that membership in the organization was less than 20 and now it's routinely home to more than 100 students.

Russ' daughter, Elisa Russ-Poggemiller, followed her father into agriculture education and is in her fourth year teaching at Clear Lake High School.

During Tuesday's assembly,

she shared some fun stories about her dad and her high school ag teacher, but Russ-Poggemiller also told students that the secret to Russ' success was his ability to adapt.

"The teacher I had in [grades 9-12] is not the same Mr. Russ you have," she said. "He's continued to grow, he's continued to change, he's continued to always put his students first."

On Monday, current New Hampton FFA President Marshall Zeien shared details about the assembly with the Tribune, although he swore the newspaper to secrecy.

"He deserves it because he's done so much for not only our chapter but also for our school," Zeien said. "He's always there for us, even if it's not FFA, you know he's going to be in the crowd at games and stuff cheering us on."

And by golly, they pulled off the surprise.

Russ is one of seven finalists for the Golden Owl Award that is presented each year in the state by the Iowa FFA Foundation and Nationwide Insurance.

As a finalist, he was presented with a \$500 check and a plaque. The statewide winner will be announced in April.

But no matter what happens this spring, the memories made Tuesday will last a lifetime for Jim and Sandra Russ.

"It's been a wonderful day," Jim Russ said. "A surprising unexpected day, that's for sure, but definitely a wonderful day."



New Hampton High graduate and Clear Lake High School ag instructor Elisa Russ-Poggemiller hugs her father after making comments during Tuesday's assembly.



Photos courtesy of Marshall Zeien

Fun during professional development

New Hampton Middle School staff members (from left) Brian Schmitt, Jess Geerts, Jordan Rommes, Jenny Adam and Brad Schmitt show off the plaque they won during a fun professional development activity Monday that included high school instructor Mike Kuennen (below) giving his all in the tractor pull.



Briefs

New Hampton schools to hold Parade of Bands March 6

New Hampton instrumental students will take center stage on Monday, March 6, at the annual Parade of Bands concert.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. in the competition gymnasium.

It will feature the Fifth-Grade Band, the Sixth-Grade Band, the Seventh- and Eight-Grade Band, the high school's Concert Band as well as selections from both the middle school and high school bands.

The annual Parade of Bands concert will be led by middle school band director Jenny Adam and high school band director Justin Adam.

Turkey Valley preschool registration set for March 8

Turkey Valley preschool new student registration for the 2023-2024 school year is Wednesday, March 8 from 3:45-6 p.m.

Registration will be held in room 670, located right inside of the elementary entrance doors.

Parents are reminded to bring child's birth certificate as proof of birth date and his/her social security number.

If you are unable to attend registration, you may send someone who can register your child on your behalf or call the Turkey Valley Elementary School office at 563-776-6011 to make other arrangements to register your child.

DMACC deans list

Des Moines Area Community College President Rob Denson recently released the names of students eligible for the fall semester dean's list.

To be eligible, a student must have completed a minimum of six credits and earned a 3.5 to 3.99 grade point average for that semester.

Those recognized from the area include:
• Cade Murray, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology of New Hampton.



New Hampton FFA advisor Jim Russ (left) poses for a picture with his wife, Sandra, who, like him, will retire at the end of the school year after he received notification that he is among the finalists for the Golden Owl award, which was presented by a trio of representatives, including Iowa FFA State Secretary Holly Schmitt (right), a graduate of South Winneshiek High School.



Friends of MercyOne Auxiliary accepting scholarship applications

MercyOne New Hampton is accepting applications for Friends of MercyOne Healthcare Scholarships, in the amount of \$750. Four scholarships are available to graduating seniors or non-traditional students who reside in the MercyOne New Hampton service area.

Applicants must plan to further their education in a health care field. Some qualifying fields of study include but are not limited to medical records technicians (transcription and coding), pharmacy and phar-

macy techs, laboratory techs, radiology techs, dietetics, physical/respiratory therapy, psychology/mental health, as well as nursing and pre-medicine.

The scholarship will be awarded to students who exemplify character through academic achievement, volunteerism, and extra curricular participation. In awarding the scholarship, strong consideration will be given to students with financial need. However, the scholarship may be awarded to a promising student regardless of financial need.

Students interested in the scholarship may download an application at www.mercyone.org/newhampton (search scholarship). The completed form must be returned no later than April 1 to: MercyOne New Hampton, Friends of MercyOne Scholarship, 308 N. Maple Avenue, New Hampton, IA 50659.

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School Board moves parking lot project ahead

Board members unanimously pick concrete over asphalt for the high school parking lot

By **BOB FENSKE**
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New Hampton High School's infamous parking lot — filled with moon-sized craters and, when it rains, lakes — is going to get a makeover this summer.

That's because the School Board approved spending almost \$685,000 for a new concrete parking lot that sits to the south of the high school.

"This came up a long time ago," board member Nate Schwickerath said, "and it needs to get done. And it needs to get done well."

The board asked contractors to submit two bids — one for an asphalt parking lot; the other for a concrete one — and Superintendent Jay Jurrens said both were "doable" when considering the district's SAVE funds, although he said the low asphalt bid from Mehmert Tiling of \$468,524.63 would be easier on the SAVE fund than the low concrete bid of \$648,203.47.

"We can easily make that work," he said of the asphalt bid. "The concrete bid, if you would like to do that, I can say we can make that work, though it may [mean], depending on what things cost down the road, we may have to do some inter-fund borrowing next year. ... The asphalt is the safest, easiest. There won't be a point where I would say, 'Man we might have to back off just a little bit.' We could probably continue things as normal, [but] the concrete, we can definitely make it work."

Schwickerath, though, said he was in favor of the concrete bid because, as he put it, "it's a more permanent solution."

That comment raised the ire of New Hampton High School alum Colton Meirick, who works for Heartland Asphalt, which serves as the asphalt contractor for Mehmert Tiling.

"Asphalt is a permanent solution," Meirick said. "In

25 years, you can mill it and overlay this thing for less than \$180,000 and have a brand new surface in the parking lot and that can last 20, 25 years. ... The end goal is to get a hard-surface parking lot.

"To be willing to spend \$180,000 more for something you like or want, in my opinion, that's not right."

Board members disagreed and voted 4-0 — Bob Ayers was not at Monday's meeting — to proceed with the concrete parking lot, which is scheduled to be completed by Aug. 11.

Also on Monday, the board approved hiring a third English Language Learner (ELL) teacher because of growing numbers in the program.

Jurrens told board members that three years ago, the district had about 30 ELL students.

"We're now up to 73," he said. "We picked a few more the last couple of weeks and we're going to get a few more in the next couple of weeks. ... This is definitely a need for our district."

Board members agreed and hired Hannah Jenkins, who is currently student teaching in the district, as a third full-time ELL teacher for the 2023-24 school year.

In other news from the board meeting:

- Jurrens presented the first draft of the 2023-24 school year, one that has school starting on Aug. 23 and ending on May 23. Board members won't approve the final calendar until their April meeting; instead, Jurrens will get feedback from staff and community members and present that to board members in March.

- Board members approved a slew of personnel decisions — including the full-time hirings of Nicole Sanford as a seventh-grade ELA teacher, Rachel Bauler, also currently a student teacher in the district, as the high school vocational agriculture teacher and Jason Dallman as a custodian.



Photos courtesy of Jennifer Monteith

A fun Not-So-Newlywed Game for almost all ...

The look that Misti Shawver is giving her husband may indicate that Ryan Shawver is in trouble for one of the answers he gave at the New Hampton Rotary Club's annual Not-So-Newlywed Game that was held last week at the Pub at the Pinicon, but in all seriousness, proceeds from the annual fundraiser will go to support a variety of Rotary projects and scholarships.



Game show host Chuck Stanton (above) waits for a response from Nick Noehl while Liz Zweibohmer (right) busts out laughing over an answer provided by her husband, Andrew.



Here's hoping the 'Fenske Jinx' works its magic with Old Man Winter

Two weeks ago, I sat in this very spot and wondered if I should run the "weather story" on the front page of the Feb. 9 Tribune.

We were under a winter storm watch at the time, and forecasters were saying we could get something like 7 to 10 or a gazillion inches of snow in a storm approaching our little corner of the world.

Look, I suck at weather forecasting, which means if I had the face and the voice for television — trust me, I don't — I could be working at some station and be just like Schnack.

That would be Mark Schnackenberg, my go-to guy with the weather, and Schnack, just so you know, I know you're right way more than half the time.

I had originally put Dorothy Huber's photograph of snowmobilers heading into Jerico on the front page with the headline because a recent heat wave — Iowa February style — had hit the area and our snow cover was rapidly disappearing.

And then sometime around 5 p.m. on that Tuesday, I saw the forecast. Holy crap, different story. So I wrote up a piece on the approaching storm, and ...

... nothing, absolutely nothing, happened. No snow. No wind. No rain even.

Then again, I've been wrong about the weather for years.

Back in 2011, when the Tribune was a twice-a-week paper, we were supposed to get hit with a snowstorm on a Sunday night.

Back then, we sent our Tuesday Tribune to the press at 11 a.m. on Monday, and I checked the forecast once last time before sending the front page that had a headline that read "Area misses out on the storm."

I swear the forecast said something to the effect of a few snow showers so I hit send.

And it started snowing. Buckets.

By 2 p.m., New Hampton kids were sent home, and by 5 p.m., we had a 10 inches of new snow on the ground.

The boys were on youth basketball teams, and we coaches decided that we'd still have practice that night.

I walk into the gym at the St. Joe's Parish Center, and my fellow fourth- and fifth-grade coaches are sitting on the stage, all with Tribunes in their hands.

"Nice headline," they said in unison.

It wasn't the first time I had been wrong about the weather, and obviously, it wasn't the last time.

For years, if I said it was going to be a "dud" on social media, Old Man Winter took it personally and made sure we got an extra helping or two or three of snow.

Then again, if I ran a story about how awful the approaching storm was going to be, you could break out the shorts and the tank tops.

My weather prowess is almost legendary.

In 2019 — the year it snowed every single day for weeks on end — I wrote a story about how it was a mild winter and that it appeared that we were going to get through the season unscathed.

I called New Hampton and Turkey Valley Superintendent Jay Jurrens to get a comment on the lack of "snow days," and his voice filled with alarm.

"Whoa, what are you doing," he asked. "If you write that story, you know the next six weeks are going to be a nightmare."

I tempted fate — I had space to fill that week — and ran the story. And the nightmare — blizzards, a polar vortex and everything else — became a reality.

It got so bad during February that my youngest son, Noah, who was a senior at New Hampton High School, awoke one morning, found out school had been called off and uttered words I never in a million years would have predicted coming from his mouth.

"I'm sick of this, and I just want to go to school."

It turned out that the school superintendent was right and the newspaper editor was wrong.

I think winter, though, is a "Midwestern thing" because let's face it, we Iowans have a hard time saying goodbye.

You know what I mean, right? You go to Aunt Betty's house, it's 3 p.m., and you say it's time to go. And then all of a sudden it's 4 and you haven't made it out of the house. And at 5, you're still talking in the driveway. Finally, at 6, you're actually on the road.

I don't know about you, but I'm incredibly over winter, and it's not like this year has been 2019 all over again. Sure, we've had a few storms, and we've endured a few nights of extreme cold, but in a lot of ways, it's been a ho-hum winter.

Still, I can see March from where I sit, and I'm ready for spring. I want winter to leave. Pronto.

So I'm going to do my best to write about how bad this storm is going to be, and hopefully, by the time this edition of the Tribune lands in your mailbox today (Thursday), it'll be Feb. 9 all over again.

It's going to snow. A lot. We're going to be covered in ice. A lot. The wind is going to howl. Really howl. It's going to be awful.

That should do it. Let the Fenske Jinx work its magic. Enjoy a balmy week. You can thank me later.



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What Jesus gave up for you

Lent a reminder we should always try to improve in our life of discipline

Wednesday of this week marked the beginning of the season of Lent. Lent is always the forty days (not counting Sundays) leading up to Easter Sunday.

The duration of this season comes from the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness after His baptism (Matthew 4:1-11).

Just as Jesus fasted and prayed in the wilderness, those disciplines have become attached to Lent. Jesus put prayer and fasting together in Matthew 6:1-18, along with the discipline of almsgiving or charitable giving.

These disciplines teach

us to part with earthly things, so that our focus stays on heavenly things.

The giving of alms tests our attachment to money. Prayer tests our attachment to time. Fasting tests our attachment to food.

When we give up these things, we learn how much we love them and how focused we are on ourselves. It is easy to spend money on ourselves but hard to give it away to others.

It is easy to spend an hour watching TV but hard to spend a minute in prayer to God.

It is easy to overindulge but hard to endure

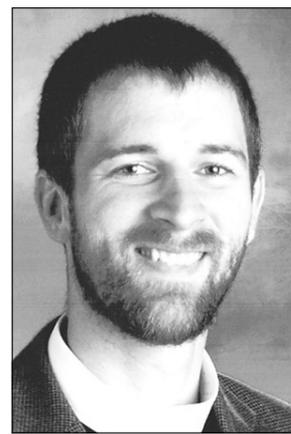
even a little discomfort.

Our attempt at these disciplines shows us how weak we really are and how impossible it is for us to live the life of love and humble service that we should.

This is why God sent His Son to take on our flesh. He came to perfectly perform everything we fail at, including almsgiving, prayer, and fasting, and to pay for our countless sins by His death on the cross.

It is what Jesus gave up—His own holy life for you—that matters most.

While we try to improve in our life of discipline during Lent



Pastor Peter Faugstad serves Redeemer Lutheran Church in New Hampton and the Jerico and Saude congregations northeast of town (<https://saudejerico.com/>).

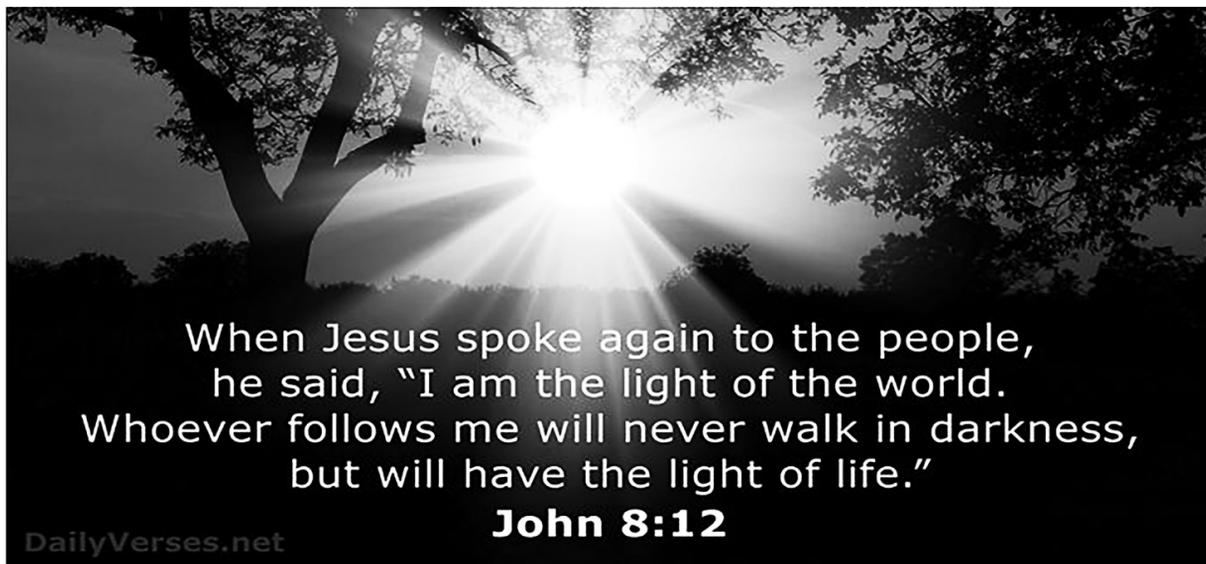
or any other time, we place our confidence in the perfect discipline, the perfect life, and the perfect sacrifice of Jesus, freely given to all who trust in Him.



Photo courtesy of St. Joseph Community School

A big day for St. Joe's kindergartners

Father Jim Goerend talks with a pair of kindergartners during the weekly Mass at St. Joseph Community School on Friday morning when kindergarten students read and served Mass for the first time. As their teacher, Jill Flugum put it, "If you have never watched kindergartners lead the Mass, I highly recommend it. It is the sweetest thing to witness."



When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

John 8:12

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Can You Count On Social Security?

Risk is a normal part of investing. In fact, if you're getting closer to retirement, you might be thinking more about Social Security. Specifically, can you count on it to contribute part of the income you'll need as a retiree?



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There's been an increase in alarming language surrounding the solvency of Social Security, but in reality, its prospects are not nearly as gloomy as you might have heard.

Here's the story: Under current law, Social Security is estimated to exhaust its trust funds by 2035, after which benefits could be cut by 20%, according to the 2022 Social Security Trustees report. However, the large cost of living adjustment (COLA) (8.7%) for 2023 could cause the trust funds to use up their resources sooner.

But this outlook may represent a worst-case scenario. For one thing, the cost of the 2023 COLA will be somewhat offset by higher taxes on workers contributing to Social Security. The maximum amount of earnings subject to the 6.2% Social Security tax jumped from \$147,000 in 2022 to \$160,200 in 2023. And in looking down the road, further increases in this earnings cap may also help reduce the gap in the trust funds. Increasing the payroll tax is another possibility for boosting funding to Social Security.

And here's a political reality: Social Security is a popular program and it's unlikely that any future Congress wants to be blamed for reducing benefits. Of course, there are no guarantees, but it seems fair to say that you can reasonably expect some benefits from Social Security when you retire.

But perhaps the bigger issue is just how much you should depend on Social Security for your retirement income. On average, Social Security benefits will provide about 30% of a beneficiary's preretirement earnings, according to the Social Security Administration. But the higher your earnings before you retire, the lower the percentage

that will be replaced by Social Security.

Still, you'll want to maximize the benefits that are available to you — and that means deciding when to start taking Social Security. You can begin as early as 62, but your monthly payments could be as much as 30% lower than your normal (or "full") retirement age, which will likely be between 66 and 67.

Even if you were to wait until your full retirement age before collecting Social Security, you'll also need to draw on other sources of funding. So, while you are still working, it's a good idea to keep contributing to your IRA and 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan.

The amount you contribute should depend on your overall financial strategy and your financial needs, so, for example, you probably shouldn't put in so much into your retirement accounts that you feel significant stress in your monthly cash flow. But when you do get a chance to invest more in these accounts, such as when your salary goes up, you may want to take advantage of the opportunity.

Ultimately, you should be able to count on Social Security as part of your retirement income. You may want to consult with a financial professional to determine when taking Social Security makes the most sense for you and how you can also get the most from your other retirement accounts. You'll want a retirement income strategy that's built for the long run.

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

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Capping the season Friday with the Dance Showcase

Members of the state champion New Hampton dance team will perform one final time when they put on the annual Dance Showcase that will begin at 7 p.m. this Friday. There will be guest performances by the Upper Iowa University dance team, as well as from Miss Emma's Dance Company.



Photos courtesy of Dennis Page

Cute visitors

New Hampton Elementary School fourth-graders (left) check out the piglets while teacher Dennis Page's Partner in Agriculture Joanne Tupper (above) shares some facts about pigs during a recent visit to Page's classroom.

Sheriff presents proposed amendment to his budget

SHERIFF: FROM 1

the city, but City Council members on Feb. 6 approved taking applications for Nobsisch's job in anticipation of him leaving.

Following the acknowledgment of Nobsisch's hiring, Shawver presented a proposed budget amendment for the Sheriff's Office.

Shawver, who took over as sheriff last month after his predecessor, Marty Hemann, retired, estimated that the office would need an adjustment to the current year's budget of \$247,000 because of, among other things, higher wages, fuel costs, overtime and vehicle pur-

chases. Nobsisch told the board that the city saw an increase of almost 50 percent to purchase and outfit a new patrol vehicle.

Supervisor Jake Hackman reminded board members that when the county approved wage increases last fall to make the Sheriff's Office more competitive with other law enforcement agencies that the county would in all likelihood need a budget amendment.

"We can't do anything about fuel," he said "and vehicles are out of our control."

Still, Hackman pointed out that the sheriff's proposed amendment represented 13 percent of the office's original \$1.9 million budget.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Soon-to-be Chief Deputy Zach Nobsisch (left) and Sheriff Ryan Shawver discuss a budget amendment during Tuesday's Board of Supervisors meeting.

And he wondered if "I am comfortable with the Shawver's 2023-24 budget new budget," he said, "but there's always unknown."

Vote on county's max levy could come as soon as next week

RAGBRAI : FROM 1

needed, and Supervisor Jake Hackman last week indicated that he will not support the RSB tax-asking.

The new law also could cut about \$50,000 in revenue the county was expecting, and Auditor Sheila Shekleton said Tuesday that she has received the new valuations from the state.

That means it's possible the board could set its maximum levy at its upcoming meeting on Monday, but because the deadline to certify the county's budget has been extended a month, board members said

that it wasn't a must to approve the max levy at next week's meeting.

In other news from Tuesday's meeting: The board seemed open to an idea presented by head custodian Dave Gorman and Veterans Affairs Director Keith Elenz and putting in an "automatic door opener" at the Heritage Building Center.

Elenz told board members that because most of the veterans he serves are Vietnam War-era veterans, he has received complaints about how heavy the doors are to open.

During the meeting, Gorman said that the cost of the project would be around \$5,500 but then said he would explore only

putting in the automatic opener on the first set of doors since the inside doors are always open.

The supervisors also approved the overtime policy put forth by Chickasaw EMS Director Joel Knutson and approved purchasing a new and more robust computer for his office.

Board members also signed off on transport agreements with New Hampton's two nursing homes but also directed Knutson to see if Whispering Willows, an assisted-living complex in Fredericksburg, would be open to an agreement with the new county-owned ambulance service.

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City approves maximum levy, sets April 3 for budget hearing

The New Hampton City Council moved ahead with its 2023-24 budget and tax-levy Monday night during a short meeting.

Council members approved a maximum levy of slightly more than \$1.71 million, a 1.83 percent decrease from the year before, and set Monday, April 3, as the date for a public hearing on its final budget.

Under a bill signed into law by Gov. Kim Reynolds Monday, cities have until April 30 to certify their budgets.

The council also approved a plan by the Friends of Chickasaw County Conservation to sell firewood at Airport Lake Park, which is run by the county's Conservation Board but owned by the city.

And council members also OK'd spending \$2,500 with Calhoun-Burns & Associates for the city's bridge inspection program.

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Forecast

Thursday: Chance of morning snow with a high of 25 and low of 3 below.
Friday: Partly sunny and cold with a high of 15 and a low of 11.
Saturday: Mostly sunny with a high of 31 and a low of 8.
Sunday: Partly cloudy but chance of freezing rain in the evening; high 36, low 28.
Extended forecast: We'll have a messy start to the work week with rain likely and a high of 40 and a low of 20.

Meetings

MONDAY
 • Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m.

History

- In 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln arrives in Washington, D.C.
- In 1945, photographer Louis Lowery captures U.S. Marines from the 3rd Platoon, E Company, 2nd Battalion, 28th Regiment of the 5th Division taking the crest of Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima's highest peak and most strategic position, and raise the U.S. flag.
- In 1954, a group of children from Arsenal Elementary School in Pittsburgh, receive the first injections of the new polio vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Salk.
- In 1978, Barbra Streisand's "Love Theme from A Star Is Born (Evergreen)" and Debby Boone's "You Light Up My Life" were awarded the Best Song Grammy — the first tie in that category's history.
- In 1980, speed skater Eric Heiden wins the 10,000-meter race at the Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, New York, setting a world record with his time and winning an unprecedented fifth gold medal at the games.

Birthdays

- W.E.B. Du Bois, an early civil rights activist and co-founder of the NAACP, was born in 1868.
- American film star Dakota Fanning turns 29.
- English actress Emily Blunt turns 40.
- Dell Computers founder Michael Dell turns 58.
- Japan's Emperor Naruhito turns 63.
- Hall of Fame wide receiver Fred Biletnikoff turns 80.
- Former Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne turns 86.

Corrections

• The Tribune wants to make sure all information it presents is accurate and correct.
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Marvolyn Bast, 87

Marvolyn Bast, age 87 of Nashua, died Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2023, at her home.
 Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at St. John Lutheran Church in Nashua with the Rev. Todd Burrichter officiating.
 Friends greeted the family from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service at the church on Friday.

Property Transfers

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The USS Iowa battleship fires her guns on a Communist position during the Korean War.

PBS to premiere the story of the legendary USS Iowa battleship

In a story of triumph and tragedy, Iowa PBS brings viewers an exploration into a legendary battleship's history and the lives of those who served on the famed ship in the new documentary, USS Iowa.

The documentary will premiere on Wednesday, March 1, at 6:30 p.m. and will be rebroadcast Sunday, March 5, at noon and Monday, March 6, at 8:30 p.m.

USS Iowa will also be available to be streamed on demand on the PBS App. The program will be broadcast during Festival 2023, taking place February 18-19, February 24-March 6 and March 11-12.

"Telling the story of USS Iowa BB-61 is not an easy task," said Iowa PBS Producer and Director Patrick Boberg. "Over the documentary's one-hour runtime, we had to detail more than 100 years of U.S. naval history, share the stories of thousands of sailors who served on her, and include some of the impossible intricacies of how a 45,000 ton warship operates. It was a challenge I'm honored to have taken on and I'm excited for Iowans to experience the film."

The USS Iowa has been a symbol of power for the U.S. Navy over its 80-year lifespan. From stewarding President Franklin Delano Roosevelt to meet with Joseph Stalin and Winston Churchill in Tehran at the height of World War II, to defending American interests in the Korean peninsula in the 1950s, this final generation U.S. battleship has a storied history. Now a museum, the ship welcomes visitors on the American west coast.

USS Iowa is narrated by Ron Livingston, a critically acclaimed actor and voice-over artist from Cedar Rapids. Livingston, a Golden Globe Award and Screen Actors Guild Award nominee, is well known for several roles including Captain Lewis Nixon on the HBO miniseries Band of Brothers. He now lives in Los Angeles with his wife and two children.

The family of Jeanette Poncelet would like to express our gratitude to family & friends who were a comfort to our family at the time of Jeanette's passing.

A special thank you to Conway Markham Funeral home, for their support & care. Thank you to Father Goerend for the beautiful mass & to Ann Bennett & Kim Ball for the music, the cooks for the meal they prepared.

A big thank you to Whispering Willow staff for caring for Jeanette during her short stay there.

Jerry Poncelet & family

Thank You

The family of Don Johnson would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone for the love, care, thoughts and prayers given to Don.

A special thanks to: The staff of Colonial Manor of Elma, Pastor Peter Faugstad, Dr. Lucas Brinkman, Dr. Jeffery Britton, Hospice Regional Health Services of Howard County, Conway - Markham Funeral Home, Pallbearers, the ladies of Jerico who served the delicious meal, and anyone else we have forgotten. Thank you to our friends and family for all the cards, texts, phone calls, flowers, food and your support at the time of his death, your kindness and love will never be forgotten.

Pat, Chance and Allie Johnson
 Josh Cox

Harvey Bernard Drewelow, 80

Harvey Bernard Drewelow, age 80 of New Hampton, died peacefully surrounded by his family, on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023, at New Hampton Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.

Funeral service were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 20, 2023, at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Hampton with the Rev. Kevin Frey presiding.

Interment followed at the Boyd Cemetery with Bri Zabel, Morgan Zabel, Josh Hersch, Alex Burke, Hayley Hugeback, Andy Hugeback, Logan Burke, Nic Zabel and Michael Drewelow serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 19, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continued an hour prior to the service on Monday at the church.

Harvey was born on April 18, 1942, to Earl and Gladys (Zahasky) Drewelow in New Hampton, and he was a lifelong resident of Boyd, where he grew up on the family farm.

He went to country school in Boyd for eight years before attending New Hampton High School, where he played football, wrestled, and was very active in FFA.

After graduating with the Class of 1960 at New Hampton High School, Harvey stayed on the family farm, aligning with his parents, forming Drewelow and Son Inc., an entity of multiple interests including the production and sale of animal feed and the raising of mink, turkeys, hogs and, his favorite, Holstein beef cattle.

Crop farming was also a passion of Harvey's; he farmed many acres throughout the county. He also worked in the wild fur trade, owning and operating North Iowa Fur Company in Fredericksburg for several years. In true Harvey fashion, he stayed busy following in his father's footsteps, eventually



Harvey Drewelow

running Boyd Nursery, selling seed corn, and developing and selling residential lots in the Fredericksburg area.

Where Harvey really made his mark in life wasn't on the farm and in his business interests but with his family. During Dairy Days one year, he saw Faythe Bohmbach walk by and told his buddies "that's quite a gal." A few hours later, they were dancing together and the rest is history.

The two were married on Aug. 21, 1960, and for more than 60 years, they made a great couple, celebrating the good times together and making it through the tough times together. If ever there was a 60-year love affair, it was the marriage of Harvey and Faythe.

The couple had four children — Lori Zabel (Russ), Lennie (Melissa), Dawn Cain (Chris) and Bill (Terri)— and the Drewelow kids had a fantastic father. He was a hands-on dad, totally immersed in their lives and always nurturing and advising them.

Years later, he was the same way with his grandchildren; Harvey rarely, if ever, missed their school events or their games, and he was the proudest grandpa in the stands, that's for sure.

Holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas were special to

him because that meant the family would be all together. At those gatherings, he and Faythe provided good food (often his favorite, a rare prime rib); there was always a ballgame to watch; and great conversation.

Harvey was a social person. He got along with everyone, and if he didn't know you, he'd ask you "where're you from" and within minutes, you were friends. He was generous and kind to others, and was to fortunate to have many lifelong friends.

He was an avid collector of Oliver tractors, he loved a good card game, and enjoyed fishing and hunting. You could also frequently find him watching the Cubs, Bears, and Iowa Hawkeyes.

Harvey and Faythe loved to travel. The two were always up for an adventure and they made visits to places like the Panama Canal, Virgin Islands, Alaska and Hawaii.

He also loved heading out west to Colorado and taking fishing trips to Canada.

This man with such a big and wonderful personality will be missed by all who knew and loved him; after all, there was just one Harvey. But they also know today he is in a far better place, reunited with the love of his life, Faythe.

Harvey is survived by two daughters, Lori (Russ) Zabel of Northfield, Minnesota, and Dawn (Chris) Cain of New Hampton; two sons, Lennie (Melissa) Drewelow of New Hampton, and Bill (Terri) Drewelow of Fredericksburg; seven grandchildren, Bri Zabel, Morgan (Josh Hersch) Zabel, Alex Burke, Hayley (Andy) Hugeback, Logan Burke, Nic Zabel and Michael Drewelow; one great-granddaughter, Mila Hugeback; and one sister, Jean Woodring of Fredericksburg.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Faythe in 2021; his parents; and one sister, Joyce Schindwein.

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of Feb. 19 1948 (75 years ago)

• The state highway commission is opening a new construction office in New Hampton. For the present it will be located on the third floor of the courthouse until a more suitable space can be found. G.W. Fiddek of Decorah will be in charge.

Several other men will also be employed there. Mr. Fiddek is not an entire stranger here as he was with the highway commission located in New Hampton when Highway 63 north of town was paved.

• The following students qualified for their listing in the high school's "Who's Who:" Tom Lynch, Richard Donohue, John Wessel, Walter Johnson, Ruth Ann Maurer, Annette Schuckhardt and Marjorie Howard.

• John Powell, proprietor of the Ben Franklin Store here will open a similar store in the Whitmer building in Fredericksburg the first of March.

1973 (50 years ago)

A New Hampton youth, Randy Miller, 17, son of Robert Miller of rural New Hampton, will join the elite ranks of Boy Scouts who have been named recipients of the coveted Eagle Award, when he receives the honor February 25.

Miller's Eagle requirement project was the organization of some 19 members of Scout Troop 48 into a crew for a roadside cleanup session.

After the cleanup Miller went on to gather facts and figures and arranged a display on a downtown street including the wagon load of debris and the findings from his studies. Miller has been a scout for more than 10 years, joining a Cub pack in 1963.

• Chickasaw County Sheriff's offices were continuing the investigation this week of the second hog rustling incident in the past three weeks.

Authorities said 25 feeder pigs belonging to Paul Galligan were stolen from a hog house of a vacant farmstead northwest of Lawler.

Galligan said the pigs weighed from 60 to 70 pounds and all were ear-tagged. The loss has been estimated at about \$800.

Late in January, 26 hogs were stolen from the Reynold Schwickerath farm northwest of New Hampton.

1998 (25 years ago)

• An Open Forum Public Hearing was held on the Highway 63 bypass. Approximately 200 landowners and government officials were in attendance.

The proposed project provides for the improvement of U.S. 63 beginning 1.7 miles south of the U.S. 18/63/Iowa 346 intersection and continuing north of New Hampton to the Wapsipinicon River, a total length of 11.2 miles. The total cost of the project is \$39,533,000.

• Dave and Sharon Messersmith are the owners of the newest restaurant in New Hampton. Digger's Restaurant opened for business on Oct. 7, 1997, but celebrated their grand opening of Feb. 4.

Digger's is located south of New Hampton on Highway 63. There is inside seating for 24, and they also offer home delivery.

2013 (10 years ago)

• New Hampton wrestling coach Nick Hemann believes what Sawyer Anderson and Leighton Gaul accomplished Saturday speaks volumes about them.

Gaul and Anderson both suffered heartbreaking losses in the semifinals of the Class 2A state wrestling tournament on Friday, but rebounded to claim third-place finishes in their respective weight classes the following day.

Gaul received a forfeit in the 120 consolation semifinals Saturday morning when his opponent didn't make weight and then ended his stellar career with an 11-3 waxing of Clarinda's Blake Lune.

Anderson scored a 14-9 decision over Spencer's Tanner Schaefer in the 160-pound consolation semifinals and then won a rematch with Creston/Orient-Macksburg's Trevor Fain, scoring a 4-2 decision.

• K & W Motors in New Hampton is sponsoring a "Kars for K-9" promotion this month to support Chickasaw County's new drug dog. The Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office received a \$1,000 donation from the Colorado Springs Police Protective Association (CSPPA).

There is a connection with K & W's general manager, Jeff Weigel. David Hennchsen is a sergeant and president of the CSPPA, and is first cousins with Ralynn Weigel, Jeff's wife. In a letter sent to Weigel and the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office, said the donation was made because the association "understands the value of an effective K-9 unit."

2018 (5 years ago)

• The Chickasaw wrestlers claimed their second consecutive state duals title. The duals title was the 11th state title in school history.

New Hampton/Turkey Valley opened the dual tournament with a 40-33 victory over Webster City before finishing off West Delaware 46-24 in the semifinals. That set up a matchup with Clarion-Goldfield-Dows, and NH/TV got a pin from Cale Reicks at 160 to wrap up a 42-30 win over the Cowboys.

The runner-up finish to Dubuque Wahlert at the traditional tournament that followed marked the ninth second-place finish for this proud program.

And the individual title Michael Blockhus won at 138 pounds was the 39th by a Chickasaw.

• The area came close to making it through the latest winter storm relatively unscathed, but Mother Nature proved that it doesn't take much time for her to create havoc.

On Tuesday, parts of Chickasaw County received a coating of ice between one-tenth and two-tenths an inch thick, almost all the icing took place in about an hour's time. Heavy rain fell as temperatures dropped into the mid-20s, and led school districts in throughout the area to call school. Parts of the area got hit with 1 to 1.5 inches of snow overnight Wednesday and the system was expected to bring more snow Thursday and Friday.

The week may end messy with another system bringing a combination of rain, freezing rain and snow to Northeast Iowa on Saturday.

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Briefs

Annual meeting for NEIAEA set for March 15 at Borlaug Learning Center

Dr. Mehari Tekeste, ISU associate professor, Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering, and Dr. Donald Lewis, ISU Professor Emeritus, extension entomologist will speak at the annual meeting of the Northeast Iowa Agricultural Experimental Association (NEIAEA) at the Borlaug Learning Center, ISU Northeast Research Farm, Nashua, on March 15.

The program starts at 9:30 a.m. with a Call to Order for the board meeting. From 10 a.m. to noon will be key presentations from Tekeste and Lewis.

Tekeste will focus on measurement and modeling of soil compaction from heavy equipment, and its impact on crop growth and crop yield.

In the next hour, Lewis will discuss the current trend of monarch butterfly populations and the habitats that help them ensure their survivability. In addition, Lewis will touch on insecticide usage and the selection of.

After lunch, Ken Pecinovsky, Farm Superintendent, will review 2022 research trial results conducted at the NE Research Farm and discuss future research plans.

Provided free at the meeting is the 2022 Research Farm Report. Our local Riverton Lucky Clovers 4-H Club will serve lunch as a fund raiser. Following Pecinovsky's presentation, the NEIAEA board of directors will meet. The day's sessions qualify for three free CCA credits (1 CM, 1 PM, 1 SW).

The meeting is free and open to the public.

Floyd County attorney resigns to take job in Hancock County

The Floyd County attorney - who was just reelected to another four-year term in November - has announced her resignation to take a position in a neighboring county.

Rachel Ginbey submitted a letter on Wednesday to the county auditor, saying her resignation would be effective March 12.

The Hancock County attorney position became open last month when Gov. Kim Reynolds appointed the then-county attorney there, Blake Norman, to be a district court judge for District 2A, which consists of Floyd, Hancock, Bremer, Butler, Cerro Gordo, Franklin, Mitchell, Winnebago and Worth counties.

Monthly blood drive set for Tuesday in New Hampton

LifeServe Blood Center will hold its monthly blood drive from noon to 5:30 p.m. this coming Tuesday at the New Hampton Community Center.

Those willing to donate blood are encouraged to make an appointment by calling 800-287-4903, texting LIFESERVE to 999-777 or by visiting lifeservebloodcenter.org.

All types of blood are needed, but officials say there is a critical shortage of O-positive, O-negative and A-negative blood types.

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY BOARD ROOM MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023 5:15 P.M.

The members of the Telecommunications Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 5:15 p.m. in the Telecommunications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton.

Board members present were Hendricks, Anderson, Cantu and Dahl. Absent - Babcock. Attorney Kit O'Donohoe, General Manager Brian Quirk and City Clerk Karen Clemens were also present. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Anderson at 5:54 p.m.

Moved by Hendricks; seconded by Cantu; that the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Moved by Dahl; seconded by Hendricks; that the minutes of the regular meeting minutes of January 9, 2023, be approved as presented. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Moved by Hendricks; seconded by Cantu; that claims in the amount of \$230,828.84 be approved. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Moved by Cantu; seconded by Hendricks; that the Finance Reports for January, 2023, be approved. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

General Manager Quirk requested board approval of an amendment to the Internet Tier Schedule.

Current Schedule Home 100 - 100 Mbps download & upload = \$65.00/month Home 250 - 250 Mbps download & upload = \$90.00/month HomeGig - 1000 Mbps download & upload = \$130.00/month

Proposed Changes: Home 100 - 250 Mbps download & upload = \$65.00/month Home 250 - 500 Mbps download & upload = \$90.00/month HomeGig - 1000 Mbps download & upload = \$130.00/month

Moved by Cantu, seconded by Hendricks; That Resolution # 59 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE INTERNET TIER STRUCTURE EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2023, be approved. Ayes - Hendricks, Anderson, Dahl, Cantu. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Resolution approved.

General Manager Quirk requested board approval to reduce the price for Seasonal Internet Service from \$20.00/month to \$10.00/month. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Dahl; That Resolution # 60 A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RATE FOR SEASONAL INTERNET SERVICE TO \$10.00 EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2023, be approved. Ayes - Hendricks, Anderson, Dahl, Cantu. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Resolution approved.

Quirk requested board approval to pursue marketing strategies for the telecom. Facebook and Twitter promotions will assist in attracting customers. Quirk has a proposal from Monkey This for \$7,980.00 to assist with advertising for the upcoming year. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; That Resolution # 61 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSAL OF MONKEY THIS UP TO \$7,980.00 FOR MARKETING THE NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITY SERVICE, be approved. Ayes - Hendricks, Anderson, Dahl, Cantu. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Resolution approved.

General Manager Update: 1. Staff is working on installs which are more time consuming due to the weather and snow. 2. Vance is attending school on routers. 3. 780 active customers with 20 more to install.

Moved by Cantu, seconded by Hendricks; that the meeting adjourn at 6:20 p.m. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk

GRANT ANDERSON, Board Chair TELECOMMUNICATIONS FEBRUARY 13, 2023 5:15 P.M.

State of Iowa, December Sales & Use Tax \$1,138.36 State of Iowa, January Sales & Use Tax \$1,099.32 Five Star Coop, Gas \$71.15 US Cellular, iPad Service & Device Payment \$65.57 Waverly Utilities, Transport \$899.95 New Hampton, City of, Utility Bill \$653.23

New Hampton Light Plant, 37.5% of Settlement Agreement w/ MP Nexlevel \$160,312.50 Cedar Falls Utilities, December Shared IPTV Costs \$378.84 Visa, Installation Supplies \$361.13 Aureon, Transport Service \$2,685.00 Cedar Falls Utilities, Wholesale Bandwidth \$1,020.00 US Cellular, iPad Service & Device Payment \$65.57 Payroll Account, Salaries January \$19,391.71 Madison National Life Ins Co, Term Life & AD&D \$73.85 Black Hills Energy, Gas Service \$760.97 Aureon, Transport Service \$2,685.00 BIG Network, Digital Base, Total Base, BTN \$267.81 Butler Bremer Communications, Voice & Internet Service \$743.86

Butler Bremer Communications, Wholesale Voice \$6,739.62 Cedar Falls Utilities, 28E Agreement Headend Equipment \$1,179.51 FARR Technologies, Professional Fees \$9,540.00 Federal Reserve Bank, Cable TV Copyright Fees \$67.00 Five Star Coop, Gas \$110.98 Goldfield Telecom, Office Supplies, Outside Equip \$2,328.06 Graybar, Pigtails, Cables, Jumpers \$3,650.54 High Plains Technology, Inc, Agreement Microsoft 365 \$137.00 Innovative Systems, Monthly Fee, Printing, Mailing \$4,250.76 Iowa One Call, One Calls \$63.90 Jendro, Refuse Pickup \$77.57 M.T.S., Inc., Window Washing \$34.24 Mills, Stan, Refund final account balance \$4.68 National Cable TV Coop, Video Programming \$8,077.66 National Cable TV Coop, Marking Paint, Wire \$128.95 New Hampton Electric, 1/2" PVC LB \$96.57 New Hampton Tribune, Legal Publication \$337.84 New Hampton, City of, Utility Bill \$617.72 NIMECA, Disability Insurance \$78.26 Rapid Printers, UPS Shipping \$19.10

Schueth Ace Hardware, Building Supplies \$216.72 Showtime Networks, Inc., Showtime Package \$8.51 SmartSource Consulting, Broadband Consulting \$192.04 VISA, Supplies \$197.79 TOTAL TO BE APPROVED \$230,828.84

PAYROLL CHECKS WRITTEN SINCE JANUARY 9, 2023 AFLAC, Supplemental Insurance \$48.12 Ameritas Variable Life Insurance Deferred Comp \$90.00 Ameritas Variable Life Insurance, Deferred Comp \$90.00 EFTPS, FICA & Federal Taxes \$1,614.53 EFTPS, FICA & Federal Taxes \$1,532.26 Iowa Dept of Revenue, State Withholding Tax \$540.52 Treasurer, State of Iowa, IPERS \$2,350.74 Wellmark, Health & Dental Insurance \$2,885.80 TOTAL PAYROLL \$9,151.97

No. 22738 02/23/23

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

City of Alta Vista Council Meeting Monday, February 13, 2023

The regular meeting for the City Council of Alta Vista convened on Monday, February 13, 2023, at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Kevin Crooks, Dean White, Samantha Slick and Amy Laures in the Alta Vista City Hall. Frank Burke and Rick Heying are absent. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Crooks.

Agenda was discussed. White made the motion, seconded by Slick to approve the agenda. Ayes: White, Crooks, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

January 30, 2023 regular meeting minutes were discussed. Laures would like the following correction made in the minutes: The council is going to wait for the Trustees to decide. And remove the following: Council tabled this until the City gets more numbers for the City budget. Laures made the motion, seconded by White to approve the January 30, 2023 regular meeting minutes with the corrections. Ayes: White, Crooks, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

Visitor concerns were discussed. Mayor resignation was discussed. Frank Burke has resigned as Mayor of Alta Vista, effective February 9, 2023. Slick made the motion, seconded by Laures to approve Frank Burke's resignation. Roll call vote. Ayes: White, Crooks, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

Insurance was discussed. Clerk spoke with insurance agent Jarvis Whiting earlier to look for new coverage for the City as IMWCA informed Jarvis its plan to drop the City due to the physicals. Clerk to add Council members and clerk to coverage for driving City vehicles.

FY24 budget was discussed. Tabled until we hear from State regarding funding. FY24 Proposed Property Tax Levy was discussed. Tabled until we hear from State regarding funding.

Bank accounts were discussed. The Library board approved the Treasured CD, valued at \$9,027.00, be cashed

and moved to Luana Savings Bank in New Hampton into a 17-month CD at 4.81% interest. The First Citizen's CD, valued at \$16,000.00, is currently is at 2.3% interest with a one-time bump up rate available at 4%. The Library Board approved bumping up the Library CD at First Citizens rate from 2.3% to 4%. Slick made the motion, seconded by Laures to approve cashing the Treasured CD and moving the Funds to Luana Savings Bank into a 17-month CD at 4.81% and bumping up the CD rate at First Citizens from 2.3% to 4% with the Clerk, Jarrett Holthaus, and Treasurer, Patricia Halvorson, on the signature cards. Roll call vote. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

The account is currently in a savings account with a 1.24% interest rate. The City can change it to a Freedom checking account with a 2% interest rate. White made the motion, seconded by Slick to change the LOST account from a savings account with 1.24% interest to a checking account with 2% interest with the Mayor Crooks, Mayor Pro Tem White, Clerk Holthaus, and Treasurer Halvorson on the signature card. Roll call vote. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

Old Creamery was discussed. Clerk present the Quit Claim Deeds for each property for Council to proof. Clerk will have attorney change the Mayor From Frank Burke to Kevin Crooks.

VFW liquor license was discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by White to approve the VFW liquor license. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

Delinquents were discussed. Water was discussed. Sewer was discussed. Streets were discussed. Vehicles on street were discussed.

Sanitation was discussed. Parks were discussed. Municipal Hall was discussed. Electric was discussed. Financial reports were discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by Slick to approve the January financial report. Roll call vote. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried. After discussion, White

made the motion, seconded by Slick to move Library accounts on a different chart than the City's accounts, so that the Library money doesn't show as the City's money, as the City has no say of what the Library can do with their money. Roll call vote. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

Disbursements were discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by White to approve the disbursements. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried.

January Disbursements To Whom, Amt, Purpose

Table with 3 columns: To Whom, Amt, Purpose. Includes entries for Alliant Energy (\$14,853.42), Electric Purchase, AV Express (\$71.25), Fuel, City of Alta Vista (\$411.91), Utilities, Hawkins, Inc. (\$1,611.33), Chlorine, Heiman (\$410.00), Boots, IMWCA (\$954.00), Work Comp Premium- 7th Installment, Innovative Ag Services (\$2,840.68), LP, Jendro Sanitation (\$1,405.72), Garbage Pick up, John Deere Financial (\$71.93), Paint, bulbs, ice melt, New Hampton Tribune (\$227.76), Publications, Speicher Excavating Inc. (\$1,465.00), Replace Manhole, USA Blue Book (\$13.65), Flags, Windstream (\$184.15), Telephone/Internet, VOID (\$), Petty Cash (\$36.90), Petty Cash, Postmaster (\$192.00), Stamps, Jack Miller (\$1,500.00), Paint Firetruck, Wellmark (\$1,431.95), Health Insurance- Jan & Feb, Jarrett Holthaus (\$586.62), Wage- 12/25-1/7, Dale Buchholtz (\$1,540.46), Wage- 12/25-1/7, Dale Buchholtz (\$245.24), Wage- 12/25-1/7- Correction, Security State Bank (\$26.70)

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January Disbursements

Table with 3 columns: To Whom, Amt, Purpose. Includes entries for City of Alta Vista (\$33.48), Utilities, City of Alta Vista (\$466.02), Payroll Liability-Nov, VOID (\$), Alta Vista Commercial Club (\$10.00), Donation, VISA (\$292.71), Supplies, Biblioxion (\$800.00), Subscription, City of Alta Vista (\$479.01), Payroll Liability-Dec, Flatjod, Christina (\$230.53), Wage- 12/25-1/7, Taylor-Griffen, Crystal (\$27.90), Wage- 12/25-1/7, Flatjod, Christina (\$211.10), Taylor-Griffen, Crystal (\$202.78), Wage- 1/8-1/21, Pat Halvorson (\$114.00), Wage- 1/8-1/21, Windstream (\$132.08), Telephone/Internet (\$3,099.61), \$41,064.79

January Receipts

Table with 3 columns: To Whom, Amt, Purpose. Includes entries for General (\$2,956.15), Option Tax (\$5,522.40), Road Use Tax (\$1,194.37), Water (\$3,260.70), Sewer (\$2,337.90), Electric (\$17,273.70), Utility Deposits (\$), Debt Service (\$), Total (\$41,064.79)

January Receipts

Table with 3 columns: To Whom, Amt, Purpose. Includes entries for Council and Mayor concerns were discussed. Laures had a 911 meeting. Clerk informed council that S White Ave is not going to be redone until 2025 per the County engineer Roman Lensing. White made the motion, seconded by Laures to adjourn at 7:52 pm. Ayes: White, Slick, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Heying. Motion carried. The next council meeting will be March 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Alta Vista City Hall. Kevin Crooks, Mayor Attest: Jarrett Holthaus, City Clerk

No. 22743 02/23/23

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

ELECTRIC UTILITY - COMMUNICATIONS BOARD ROOM MONDAY FEBRUARY 13, 2023 5:00 P.M.

The Board of Trustees of the New Hampton Municipal Light Plant met for a regular meeting on Monday February 13, 2023 at 5:00 pm in the board room at the Communications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton, IA.

Board members present were Hendricks, Anderson, Cantu and Dahl. Babcock was absent. City of New Hampton Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson and Brian Carolan, representing Little Sprouts Daycare Board, General Manager Brian Quirk and City Clerk Karen Clemens were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Anderson at 5:00 p.m.

Moved by Cantu, seconded by Hendricks; That the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Moved by Dahl, seconded by Hendricks; That the minutes of the January 9, 2023 regular meeting minutes be approved. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Moved by Cantu, seconded by Hendricks; That claims in the amount of \$334,298.96 be approved. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Moved by Dahl, seconded by Hendricks; That the Finance Reports for January, 2023, be approved. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

board chair asked for written objections. There were none. Board Chair Anderson declared the hearing closed.

General Manager Brian Quirk explained to the board about the need to update the transformer at Stolz Park and that it is a critical part of supplying electric service to residents. The useful life of the transformer is coming to an end and the lead time for a replacement is over 2 years. Quirk would like to place the order now. DGR Engineering has managed the bid and specification requirements for the project and is recommending the purchase from Niagara Power Transformer Corporation, Buffalo, New York for \$1,117,262.00. The Board requested that when the new transformer is installed that the existing transformer be reconditioned and be available for emergency use. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; THAT RESOLUTION NO. 984 A RESOLUTION MAKING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR \$1,117,262.00 WITH NIAGARA POWER TRANSFORMERS CORPORATION OF BUFFALO, NEW YORK FOR FURNISHING AN ELECTRIC POWER TRANSFORMER - STOLZ PARK SUBSTATION FOR THE NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT, NEW HAMPTON, IOWA, be approved. Ayes - Hendricks, Anderson, Cantu, Dahl. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Resolution approved.

General Manager Brian Quirk expressed interest in updating the bucket truck, soil conditional and backyard machine. The quoted prices he received were: Erskine Soil Conditioner 72" - \$11,662 - New Bucket - Delivery in 274 - New - Delivery in 440-770 days Backyard Machine - \$50,000 - Used - plus delivery and inspections fees

The funds to pay for the bucket truck will be part of the FY 2024/2025 budget. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; To approve the purchase of the following: Erskine Soil Conditioner 72" - \$11,662, Terex Bucket Truck \$316,274, Backyard Machine - \$50,000 plus delivery and inspections fees. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

Attorney Steve Nadel of Ahlers Law Firm has submitted a request for the NHMLP to approve an amendment to the Lehigh-Webster Transmission Operating Agreement. Moved by Cantu, seconded by Dahl; that Resolution No. 986 A Resolution fixing date for a meeting FOR MARCH 13, 2023 AT 5:00 PM FOR THE proposition of approving and consenting to the Amended and Restated Lehigh-Webster Transmission and Webster TERMINALS FACILITIES and Operat-

ing Agreement, as further amended, between and among Corn BELT POWER Cooperative, MidAmerican Energy Company, the New Hampton MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC Utility, New Hampton, Iowa, and certain other municipal electric utilities. Ayes - Hendricks, Anderson, Cantu, Dahl. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Resolution approved.

General Manager Report: 1. Lt Plant staff working on engine #5 - repairing injectors and replacing check valves

2. Staff has met with Caterpillar and DGR to resolve issues with the engine controls.

3. Staff is continuing to complete locates and work on underground issues.

Moved by Cantu, seconded by Hendricks; that the meeting adjourn at 5:53 pm. Ayes - Four. Nays - None. Absent - Babcock. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk

GRANT ANDERSON, Board Chair LIGHT PLANT FEBRUARY 13, 2023 5:00 P.M.

NIMECA, Monthly Power Bill. CTS Improvement \$164,705.15 State of Iowa, Sales & Use Tax December 2022 \$12,094.18 State of Iowa, Sales & Use Tax January 2023 \$10,230.29 USPS, Postage for Utility Bills \$116.95 Five Star Coop, Gas \$36,245.89 US Cellular, iPad Service \$54.16 New Hampton, City of, Utility Bill \$82.15 Iowa Assoc of Municipal Utilities, OSHA Safety Training \$1,183.56 Jendro Sanitation, Refuse \$77.57 Visa, Operation & Distribution Supplies, Conference \$2,805.19 Rapid Printers, Utility Billings Dec 2022 \$241.31 US Cellular, iPad Service \$54.16 John Deere Financial, Distribution Supplies \$1,500.00 Madison National Life Ins Co, Supplemental Life, Term Life & AD&D \$79.50 NIMECA, IA Area Investment Fees,

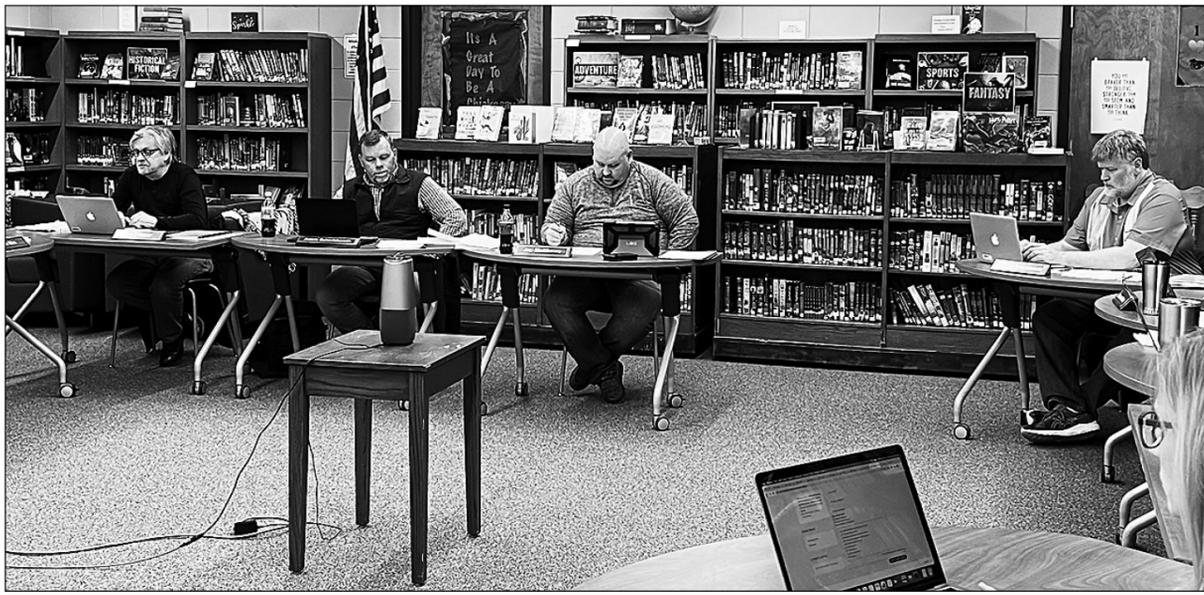
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NHMU Joint Expense Reimbursement \$598.96 NHMU, Phone \$89.66 New Hampton Tribune, Publications \$107.64 New Hampton, City of, Utility Bill \$113.59 NIMECA, Disability Insurance, Substation Property Ins \$311.22 Brian Quirk, Tools, Utility Cart, Camera, Vise \$2,802.19 Rapid Printers, UPS Shipping, Supplies \$563.78 RESCO, Fuses \$548.16 Schueth Ace Hardware, Tools, Shelf, Shoplite, Pwr Strip, Marking Paint \$1,622.97 Reimbursement, Medical Reimbursement \$538.04 Skarshaug Testing Laboratory, Inc. Clean/ Test Equipment \$203.18 United Rentals, Scissor Lift \$9,450.00 Van Meter, Engine Control Wire, SCADA Project Wire \$1,125.95 Wesco Receivables Corp, Joint Compound \$265.79 Total \$393,298.96 Less Transfers \$59,000.00 TOTAL TO BE APPROVED \$334,298.96

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No. 22737 02/23/23

District will contribute \$100k for 'wrap-around' daycare



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton School Board members look over their notes as they discuss contributing district funds to help start a "wrap-around" daycare that will be located at New Hampton Elementary School.

going to be a popular opinion," he said, "but I struggle a lot spending those dollars that we're entrusted with for K-12 education on this. I understand that there's a huge need in the community. I think it's appropriate to allow the use of the building."

But to get the loan, Carolan and Robinson both noted, having the school helping with pay-

ing back the loan was a must.

"In our rural communities, we are all responsible for doing things out of the box," Carolan said. "We're here to support each other, we're here to help each other. Understand, that yeah, we can borrow the money, but if we have to bear the brunt of the full cost, it's going to be really hard to get our staff to a working wage."

Robinson added that other communities are thinking outside the box.

"I mean everything we do for the community benefits you, the school, as well," she said. "[This will] make our community stronger, make our schools

stronger, but at some point in time you've got to be the leader, because if we're not doing it, the Decorahs, the Waverlys and them, they are doing it."

All three of the district's building principals, as well as two of the three student board

members, expressed support for the project, and while board members understood Schwickerath's concerns, they said they were willing to provide the funding.

"It's not just babysitting, they learn, they learn a lot," board member Adam Schwickerath said. "I think they were better prepared when they landed in pre-K and kindergarten. I think if [Superintendent] Jay [Jurrens] thinks this is doable financially, we have to invest in our community."

Earlier in the meeting, Carolan told board members that Chickasaw County would be a model for other counties when it came to daycare.

"If we are able to get this project across the finish line, Chickasaw County is going to be tops as far as daycare for rural Iowa," he said. "All of us here are here to grow our communities, all of us are here to grow our school enrollments, all of us are here to make New Hampton the best it can be."

In the end, the board approved providing the funding with Adam Schwickerath, Tim Denner and Jay Matthews supporting the motion and only Nate Schwickerath opposing it.

Briefs

MercyOne accepting scholarship applications

MercyOne New Hampton is accepting applications for the Friends of MercyOne Vianna Holschlag Nursing Scholarship. Four scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 will be awarded. The scholarship is available to students from the MercyOne New Hampton service area who plan to receive higher education in the field of nursing. Applicants may be traditional or non-traditional students, entering or pursuing either an associate degree or a baccalaureate program in nursing.

The scholarship will be awarded to students who exemplify character and ideals as determined by the Auxiliary Executive Board. In awarding the scholarship, strong consideration will be given to students with financial need. However, the scholarship may be awarded to a promising student regardless of financial need.

Students interested in the scholarship may download the application at www.mercyone.org/newhampton (search scholarship). The completed form and essay must be returned no later than April 1, to:

MercyOne New Hampton, Friends of MercyOne Scholarship, 308 N. Maple Avenue,

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New Hampton, IA 50659.

Birdhouse program set for Twin Ponds

Gourds that were grown specifically for making birdhouses were donated to the Chickasaw Co. Conservation Department this year, and on Thursday, March 2 at 6 p.m. there will be a workshop to do that at the Twin Ponds Nature Center.

"We will talk about the process and turn those gourds into birdhouses to be put out for bluebirds or purple martins this spring," the department's newsletter says.

There will be no charge for the program, but pre-registration is required by calling 641-394-4714.

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY GARY TAYLOR, Plaintiff vs. GERALDINE ETTER, Defendant. CASE NO. EQC004381 ORIGINAL NOTICE TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT:

You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court naming you as a defendant in this action, which petition prays(1) that title be quieted in Gary Taylor as a single person for this property as per the intentions of the Warranty Deed to give it to Taylor Asphalt, Inc. and then for Gary Taylor as the owner's intention to give that property to himself. Further, the Plaintiff requests that the title should vest fee simple in Gary Taylor, a single person. The name and address of the attorney for the plaintiff is William P Baesel, 103 North Main Street, PO Box 454, Charles City, Iowa 50616. The attorney's phone number is (641) 228-4500; facsimile number is (641) 228-3143.

You must serve a motion or answer on or before (2) March 14, 2023, and

within a reasonable time thereafter, file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Chickasaw County, at the courthouse in New Hampton, Iowa. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

You are further notified that the above case has been filed in a county that utilizes electronic filing. Please see Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 for information on electronic filing and Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, division VI regarding the protection of personal information in court filings.

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DGOGNewhamptonia12142022, LLC plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit No.2: "Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity or Construction Activities."

The storm water discharge will be from construction grading located at Part of the NE 1/4 of Section 7, T95N, R12W, Chickasaw County.

Storm water will be discharged from 1 point source and will be discharged to the following stream: Unnamed Tributary of Spring Branch.

Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharged Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department.

No. 22734 02/23/23

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH C. RECKER, Deceased..Probate No. ESPR003090 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons interested in the Estate of Joseph C. Recker, Deceased, who died on or about September 29, 2020.

You are hereby notified that on the 20th day of January, 2023, the last will and testament of Joseph C. Recker deceased, bearing the date of the 16th day of February, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Margaret E. Recker was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES February 13, 2023

The Board convened on Monday, February 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the 2nd floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Bob Fenske member of media, Kathy Shekleton, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Public Health Lisa Welter and Ann Knutson.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the agenda for February 13, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve the meeting minutes from February 6, 2023 with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Attorney David Laudner addressed the Opioid Settlement and that we should budget to use

by the Sheriff, EMS Director, and Public Health.

Conservation Director Chad Humpal updated on: The Conservation Board approved Conservation Budget FY23-24. Discuss Campgrounds Procedures and Pricing for 2023 season, ADA Compliant Dock Airport Lake, and Twin Ponds celebrating FAMILY FUN Day for their 20th anniversary.

Discussion to open some more rooms at Chickasaw Heritage Building Center for tenants.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to start preparing rooms 7, 8 & 15 with lights, paint, and waxing the floor using the Heritage budget. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge purchases for Public Health, per purchase policy, for refrigerator, freezer, transport containers, and data loggers up to \$18,000.00 to be paid for by Emergency Response Multi-Year Improvement Grant. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Budget Work Session Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Breitbach to approve payroll with a

check date of February 10, 2023. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to approve claims in the amount of \$422,428.76. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, Seconded by Cerwinske to approve prior bills in the amount of \$211.89. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Committee Assignments Supervisor Suckow-IGHCP emailed on February 13

Supervisor Hackman-CSS February 8.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to adjourn at 10:43 AM. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinske, Hackman. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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CELEBRATING THE BEST OF CHICKASAW COUNTY 4-H

A LOOK BACK AT THE ANNUAL 4-H BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY



2022-23 Chickasaw County Council members include (front, from left) Kandice Eggerichs, Tory Brincks, Blair Berends, Trinity Brincks, Madelyn Hennings, Aleah Eichenberger, Colton Ashley, Carrie Schwickerath, Aiden Sullivan, Eadie Suhr and Hattie Miller.



Receiving Volunteer Awards are (from left) Marguerite Ashley (30 years), Jim Bearman (15 years), Crystal Griffin (five years), Heather Maurer (five years), Jennifer Klassen (15 years), (absent) Laurie Tiemessen (20 years), Billy Bearman (10 years), Tammy Jordan (five years), Craig Kolthoff (five years) and Will Maurer (five years).



Project awards went to (front row, from left) Kendall Suckow (beef and photography), Carrie Schwickerath (beef, citizenship and rabbits), Jocelyn Harrison (photography), (back row) Emily Geerts (swine, horticulture and visual arts), Blair Berends (horse), Eadie Suhr (beef, citizenship and leadership), (not pictured) Connor Kramer (music) and Trista Harrison (sewing and needle arts).



The 2022 Honorary Member Award winner is Alice Tiemessen. This year marks the 50th Anniversary of Devon Dreamers/ Little Wapsie Legends calendar fundraiser. Alice started the fundraiser by going to businesses to sell advertisements on the calendars. She collected birthdays and anniversaries for the calendar. She and her husband Ray were leaders of the Washington Cadets. Her five children were all part of 4-H. She has had grandchildren and many great-grandchildren that still participate in 4-H. Alice was very instrumental in 4-H growth in the North Washington area.



Senior Showmanship Awards were handed out to (from left) Trinity Brincks (meat goat, rabbit and sheep), Luella Reicks (beef), Miranda Wehling (dairy goat), Aleah Eichenberger (swine), (absent) Zachary Hauser (dairy), Bella Langreck (dog), Josie Fuerstenberg (horse) and Zach Utley (poultry).



Receiving Junior 4-H Volunteer Awards were (from left) Emily Suhr (Fredericksburg Futures), Aiden Underwood (Fredericksburg Futures) and Natalie Feldman (Bradford Eager Beavers).



The 4-H Alumni Award winner is Tony Schwickerath (pictured with Carrie Schwickerath), who was a member of the Washington Cadets 4-H club and is a current co-leader of the Little Wapsie Legends club. Throughout his time volunteering one could expect to see him at the Market Beef Weigh in

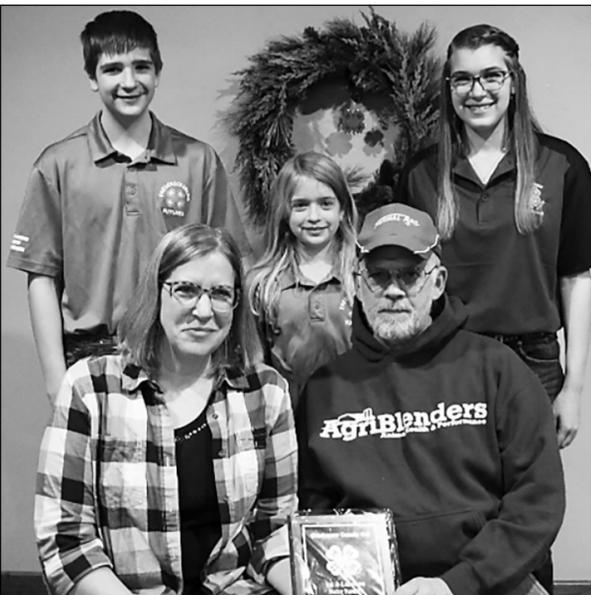
December. He is always ready to provide a helping hand with auction and fair setup and help any 4-H or FFA youth during fair week.



Club Herdsmanship Awards were given to (front row, from left) Claire Miller (Jolly Blue Bells, bucket bottle calves), Lyndin Maurer (Little Wapsie Legends, rabbit), Carrie Schwickerath (New Hampton FFA Chapter, horse and beef), Emily Geerts (Alta Vista Aces, swine), (back row) Miranda Wehling (Fredericksburg Futures, dairy goats), Tory Brincks (Fredericksburg Futures, meat goats), Emmett Kuehner (Fredericksburg Futures, poultry), Madelyn Hennings (Bradford Eager Beavers, static booth), and Kandice Eggerichs (New Hampton FFA Chapter, sheep).



Receiving Intermediate 4-H Volunteer Awards were (from left) Emmett Kuehner (Fredericksburg Futures) and Brady Lensing (Bradford Eager Beavers).



The Outstanding 4-H Family Award goes to the Ed & Lavonne Suhr family, all of whom are members of the Fredericksburg Futures 4-H Club.

They help with road ditch cleanup, Fredericksburg city sign upkeep, serving at Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, the family hosts their Suhr Dairy Farm Tours every year, they help with Fredericksburg Dairy Days, and the Women of Fredericksburg Petting Zoo. As a family, they spend hundreds of hours each year prepping, cleaning, and planning to make sure that people who might not live on a farm can experience it for a day and learn what it's like to live and work in the agriculture industry. When the day comes for tours, the entire family is working non-stop, from making sure volunteers are comfortable and set to go for the day, to coordination of bus arrivals and visitors, to leading tours, they are always willing to work.

Ed and Lavonne Suhr's three kids Eadie, Ely, and Emily, all have held at least 2 different offices within their 4-H club. Lavonne also helps out whenever there is a need for adult supervision, she helped with fair set-up, fair clean-up, and is also a member of the Chickasaw County Youth Development Committee.



Officer Book Award recipients included Jack Finn (Little Wapsie Legends), Connor Sullivan (Ionia Rustlers), Samara Haeflinger (Alta Vista Aces), Emily Suhr (Fredericksburg Futures), (back row) Carrie Schwickerath (Little Wapsie Legends), Emily Geerts (Alta Vista Aces), Dalton Suckow (Fredericksburg Futures), Tory Brincks (Fredericksburg Futures) and Kendall Suckow (Fredericksburg Futures).



Receiving Senior 4-H Volunteer Awards were (from left) Carrie Schwickerath (Little Wapsie Legends) and Aiden Sullivan (Ionia Rustlers).



The Outstanding 4-H Award goes Eadie Suhr, who has been a member of the Fredericksburg Futures since 2012 as a second-grade Clover Kid, she has been a very active member of the Chickasaw County Council. She has attended the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference and Iowa 4-H Youth Animal Science Roundup.

She has held every officer position in the Fredericksburg Futures during her 4-H years. Eadie participated in market beef, dairy cattle, communication, civic engagement, leadership, music, environment sustainability, sheep, clothing fashion, sewing and needle arts, and creative arts projects at the Chickasaw County Fair and Iowa State Fair during her 4-H years.

She has always been a consistent supporter and promoter of Chickasaw County 4-H. She did live radio spots with 95.1 "The Bull." Her family hosted the annual Suhr Dairy Day Farm Tour, helped with Fredericksburg Dairy Days cleanup, and assisted at the Women of Fredericksburg Petting Zoo.

She is also member of the Chickasaw County Youth Development Committee.



4-H members who received "completion recognition" honors were (front row, from left) Kandice Eggerichs, Trinity Brincks, Eadie Suhr, (not pictured) Sydnie Bachman, Kendall Bailey-Pint, Noah Eichenberger, Isaiah Eike and Lilah Slessor.

Chickasaws put wrap on successful first season

NH BOWLING: FROM 14

top four individuals in Class 1A. Those state squads competed at team state on Monday at Cadillac Xtreme Bowling Center on Monday in Waterloo. The individual state tourney for the small-school class was held at Maple Lanes in Waterloo on Tuesday.

The NH girls placed sixth overall last week Monday at the qualifier with a team score of 1,209. The Chickasaw boys ended up with a sixth-place result as well on Tuesday with a combined baker score of 2,633.

“Obviously, with the longer format it took a toll on them,” said Aries. “That’s something they’re probably not used to and having to really go hard the whole time. They didn’t stop — they kept going and did the best that they could for the whole time.”

Chickasaw sophomore Jamison Porath finished 11th individually with a 595 series. He finished his three rounds with consecutive games of 210. NH freshman Chase Gebel sported the best game for the Chickasaws with a 222. He finished with a 537 series. Senior Jackson Brincks rolled a 503. Sophomore Landon Marr (477), freshman Jaxson Porath (452) and sophomore Jarrin Robinson (449) finished off the Chickasaws’ individual scoring.

The lane conditions may have affected the boys team more than the girls.

“For the pattern that they put down, they were very dry,” said Aries. “All my girls pretty much throw a straight ball so it really doesn’t affect them as much.”

Aries said the NH boys were fourth overall after the first five baker games.

“They did pretty good for the amount of games that they had to bowl,” said Aries. “Obviously,

this was a lot more than what they’re used to. They did well.”

NH’s top girls bowler was junior Madison Dreckman, who rolled a 333 series. Chickasaw senior Mary Jane Schmitz was second with a 315. Freshman McKenzie Herzberg was third on the team with a 289 and freshman Sophia Rivera accumulated a three-round tally of 222.

Maquoketa won each of the qualifiers last week and those girls and boys teams advanced to team state. Lucas Ihrig of Maquoketa was one of the individual bowlers that made state. He finished fourth overall at last year’s state meet.

The Maquoketa boys team is a five-time state qualifier (2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2022).

The NH boys finished the regular season with a 2-7 mark, while the Chickasaw girls team wound up with a mark of 1-6 overall.

“This whole year has been full of ups-and-downs,” said Aries. “Their composure was very good through the whole thing — whether they had good days or bad days. They had some good days even when they lost and still held their heads up high.”

Aries said he was thankful to guide the New Hampton bowling program through its inaugural season.

“All together, it was an honor to coach these kids,” said Aries. “I’m definitely looking forward to next year.”

CLASS 1A BOYS STATE QUALIFIER TEAM SCORES
Maquoketa 3,097, Monticello 2,875, North Fayette Valley 2,846, Waukon 2,721, Tripoli 2,676, New Hampton 2,633, Sumner-Fredericksburg 2,616.

BOYS STATE INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIERS
Brendan Pasker, Monticello 767, Zach Reuter, Monticello 688, Dyson Koch, Sumner-Fredericksburg 681, Lucas Ihrig Maquoketa 649.



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New Hampton’s Sophia Rivera (above) bowls on Senior Night versus Waukon and Jamison Porath (below) lets one zoom down the alley at Bowlway Lanes.

NEW HAMPTON INDIVIDUAL SCORES
Jamison Porath 175-210-210-595, Chase Gebel 222-160-155-537, Jackson Brincks 146-168-189-503, Landon Marr 160-152-165-477, Jaxson Porath 169-133-150-452, Jarrin Robinson 173-142-134-449.

CLASS 1A REGIONAL GIRLS STATE QUALIFIER TEAM SCORES
Maquoketa 2,800, North Fayette Valley 2,514, Waukon 2,275, Monticello 2,170, Sumner-Fredericksburg 1,982, Tripoli 1,977, New Hampton 1,209.

GIRLS STATE INDIVIDUAL QUALIFIERS
Hadley Ihrig, Maquoketa 629, Chloe Fausey, Maquoketa 615, Alysa Kies, Maquoketa 600, Ali Simmons, Maquoketa 582.

NEW HAMPTON INDIVIDUAL SCORES
Madison Dreckman 105-112-116-333, Mary Jane Schmitz 112-93-110-315, McKenzie Herzberg 89-82-118-289, Sophia Rivera 56-91-75-222.



New Hampton finishes year with 9-14 record

NH BOYS: FROM 14

injury that would end his time on the floor.

“That really hurt us,” said Rausch, “I mean, you saw those blocks. He was our basket protector, a good rebounder and passer, that’s when [the game] really got away from us.”

New Hampton still scored 15 points in the final stanza, but the Bulldogs had their most productive period with 27 points. Of those points, 15 came on free throws as MFL’s leading scorer, Zach Driscoll, finished with a 9-for-9 fourth-quarter effort at the line to end with 28 points, which is his average for the season.

“I told the team I was really proud of the effort,” Rausch said after the game. “I really wanted them to come out swinging and let it rip and they did that. The effort was there.”

New Hampton’s shooting percentage was better than that of MFL. The Chickasaws were 18-for-44 from the field to end the game at 43.2 percent to the 38.3 percent for the Bulldogs. But the team that ousted the NH boys from the tournament took 60 shots and made 26 points at the line, while New Hampton had 44 attempts and made only six points on free throws.

Laures was 5-for-7 from the field on the way to a team-high 11 points and Shekleton was 4-for-9 and scored 10 with six rebounds, five assists and three steals. Steinlage, who was still recovering from an illness, scored seven. “Carter, this last 2-3 weeks, he hasn’t been able to get to feeling the way he wants to, but he’s been fighting.”

Brady Speltz concluded his high school basketball career with four points on a 2-for-2 effort, while Shekleton, Hunter Serie, Evan Knowlton, Steinlage, Roberson and Carsyn



New Hampton head coach Ryan Rausch (left) comforts Chickasaw senior Brady Speltz after NH’s district loss at MFL-Mar-Mac on Thursday night. Chickasaw junior Cael Laures (right) grabs a rebound against the Bulldogs in a game that saw MFL-Mar-Mac win, 74-47.

Leistikow also played in their final game as Rausch played all the seniors.

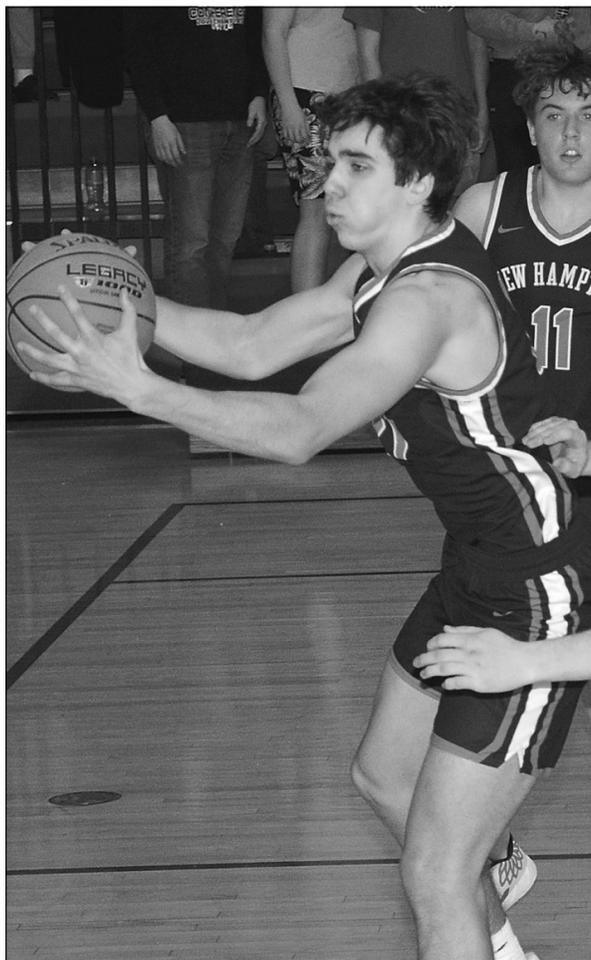
“I’m proud of our senior leadership,” Rausch said as the Chickasaws finished with a record of 9-14 on the season. “We typically get pretty deep in our bench, this year I feel like a

lot of those guys deserved those minutes.”

MFL-MAR-MAC 74, NEW HAMPTON 47

NH 16 8 8 15 - 47
MFL 12 19 16 27 - 74

Cael Laures 5-7 0-0 11, Gannon Shekleton 4-9 2-4 10, Carter Steinlage 2-7 3-4 7, Reid Rausch 2-3 0-0 5, Ben Gilbert 1-5 1-2 4, Brady



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Speltz 2-2 0-0 4, Nick Brincks 2-2 0-0 4, Adam Ewert 1-5 0-0 2, Hunter Serie 0-1 0-0 0, Evan Knowlton 0-1 0-0 0, Carter Newbrough 0-0 0-0 0, Caden Rochford 0-0 0-0 0, Aiden Roberson 0-2 0-1 0, Ryan Willadsen 0-0 0-0 0, Carsyn Leistikow 0-0 0-0 0. Totals: 19-44 6-11 47.

3-point shots - Gilbert 1-4, Rausch 1-2, Laures 1-1, Ewert 0-2, Shekleton

0-1, Serie 0-1.

Rebounds - Shekleton 6, Laures 4, Steinlage 4, Gilbert 3, Ewert 2, Rausch 1, Serie 1, Brincks 1, Roberson 1, Leistikow 1, Willadsen 1.

Assists - Shekleton 5, Ewert 3, Gilbert 1, Serie 1, Steinlage 1.

Steals - Shekleton 3, Rausch 2, Roberson 1.

Blocks - Laures 3, Ewert 1.

Prep Basketball Standings

NEIC Boys		
	Conf.	All
Charles City	9-1	15-5
Waverly-SR	9-1	15-5
Decorah	6-4	13-7
Crestwood	3-7	13-8
New Hampton	3-7	9-14
Waukon	0-10	3-18

NEIC Girls		
	Conf.	All
Decorah	10-0	20-2
Waverly-SR	8-2	16-7
Waukon	6-4	14-9
New Hampton	3-7	9-13
Crestwood	2-8	6-16
Charles City	1-9	2-19

IUC Boys		
	Conf.	All
MFL-Mar-Mac	11-1	22-1
South Winn	12-4	14-9
North Fayette V	11-5	15-8
Turkey Valley	11-5	14-9
Clayton Ridge	10-6	14-9
Kee High	6-10	7-15
Central Elkader	4-12	7-15
Postville	2-14	2-20
West Central	0-16	2-21

IUC GIRLS		
	Conf.	All
Central Elkader	15-1	19-3
Turkey Valley	14-2	17-6
North Fayette V	12-4	14-8
MFL-Mar-Mac	11-5	13-8
South Winneshiek	6-10	7-16
Clayton Ridge	5-11	7-16
Kee High	5-11	5-16
West Central	3-13	6-17
Postville	1-15	2-20

Chickasaw Men’s Pool

Week 18 Feb. 13

	W	L
Brite Spot	92	70
Big Willie’s	81	72
HereZ 2 U	80	73
Dak’s Tap 2	77	76
Dak’s Tap 1	74	88
The Pub	74	79
VFW	74	88
Butch’s I	72	81
Butch’s 2	70	92
Hide-A-Way	65	88
The Office	51	102

RESULTS

VFW 5, Dak’s Tap 1 4
HereZ 2 U 8, The Office 1

Brite Spot 5, Butch’s 2 4
Butch’s 1 5, Big Willie’s 4
Dak’s Tap 2 6, The Pub 3
Hide-A-Way, bye

THREE-GAME WINNERS

Dak’s Tap 2: Gary & Danny
Brite Spot: Brandon & Jones
HereZ 2 U: Corey & Pete, Glenn & Tim

Chickasaw Women’s Pool

Week 19 Feb. 15

	W	L	GB
Butch’s II	87	66	0
Dak’s Tap I	78	66	9
Bowlway	77	67	10
Dak’s Tap II	76	68	11
Butch’s I	72	72	15
Schucky’s	65	88	22
Hide A Way	58	86	29

RESULTS

Butch’s II 6, Hide A Way 3
Schucky’s 1, Dak’s Tap 8
Bowlway Lanes 6,
Butch’s I 3

Dak’s Tap II - Bye Week

THREE-GAME WINNERS

Dak’s Tap I - Dee Brannon & Sue Bouska, Jean Wiemann & Irene Frantzen
Butch’s I - Bea Britt & Kandy Fox



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Cheering on the Chickasaws at the Well!

New Hampton/Turkey Valley cheerleaders perform a cheer matside at the Class 2A state wrestling tournament that was held last week at Wells Fargo Arena in downtown Des Moines.

Trojans 'came on well' at end of the season

TV Boys: FROM 14

us in their face and we did not hit open looks at the end."

TV led 27-24 at halftime and held a 38-34 lead headed into the final period of play.

"We actually had the lead about three-quarters of the game, but not by much," said Izer.

Trojan senior forward Calvin Bodensteiner paced TV's scoring attack with 14 points. He was 5-15 from the floor and hit on all three of his charity-stripe attempts. He also collected nine rebounds.

TV senior point guard Noah Hanson notched five points and ripped down a team-high 11 rebounds. TV senior forward Chase Hayek tallied seven

points.

Izer talked about his four seniors – Carson Busta, Hayek, Hanson and Bodensteiner.

"They came on well," said Izer. "Chase finished the last three weeks just playing the best ball of his high school career."

Wildcat 6-6 junior center Kody Hoeger led all scorers with 17 points and MV senior guard Avery Holtz notched 14 points.

"It was a great game. It was two good teams," said Izer.

North Linn (22-0) is the No. 1 rated team according to the Associated Press and defeated Grandview Christian in the state title game in 2021-2022.

The Lynx have scored over 100 points five times this season and have played in the small-school

class state championship game the last five seasons. North Linn also won the 1A crown in 2019.

Maquoketa Valley was the No. 2 seed and TV earned the No. 3 seed in Class 1A, District 5. The Trojans had won six out of their last seven games prior to the post-season setback to Maquoketa Valley.

"All in all, they came down the stretch nicely," said Izer, in his second season at TV. "That had a lot to do with our three seed. They hit marks. It was tough. We were there."

MAQUOKETA VALLEY 47, TURKEY VALLEY 42

TV 11 16 11 4 - 42

MV 5 19 10 13 - 47

Caleb Kurtenbach 3-12 0-0 7,

Carson Busta 1-3 0-0 2, Noah Hanson

2-7 0-0 5, Calvin Bodensteiner 5-15

3-3 14, Oliver Schmitt 3-7 0-0 7,

Bodensteiner 9, Schmitt 5, Hayek 3,

Nieman 2.

Assists - Kurtenbach 3, Hanson 2,

Busta 1, Schmitt 1, Hayek 1.

Steals - Schmitt 2, Kurtenbach 1,

Nieman 1, Hanson 1, Bodensteiner 1.

Rebounds - Hanson 11,

Blocks - Busta 2.



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Turkey Valley's Caleb Kurtenbach grabs a rebound in a district against East Buchanan last week.

Chase Hayek 3-6 1-1 7, Braylen Byrne 0-0 0-0 0, Russell Nieman 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 17-50 4-4 42.

3-point field goals - Kurtenbach

1-5, Busta 0-2, Hanson 1-1,

Bodensteiner 1-2, Schmitt 1-3.

Rebounds - Hanson 11,

Blocks - Busta 2.

BOWLING

COFFEE CUP

STANDINGS	W	L
Rochford Insurance	11	5
Hugeback/Johnson	10	6
Mid-Tech Machining	9	7
Geerts Plumbing	9	7
ExSalont	7.5	8.5
Elma Gals	7	9
Vern Laures Auto	6.5	9.5

FEB. 15 RESULTS

Hugeback/Johnson 3, Elma Gals 1
Rochford Insurance 3, Vern Laures Auto 1
Mid-Tech Machining 4, Dummy 0
Geerts Plumbing 4, ExSalont 0

LEADERS

High individual games:
Eleanore Martin 223, Rita Geerts 209, Linda Lechtenberg 199

High individual series:
Linda Lechtenberg 572, Geerts 571, Martin 514

High team games: Rochford Insurance 482, Geerts Plumbing 447, Hugeback/Johnson 446

High team series: Geerts Plumbing 1,305, Rochford Insurance 1,272, Hugeback/Johnson 1,237

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

Martin 76

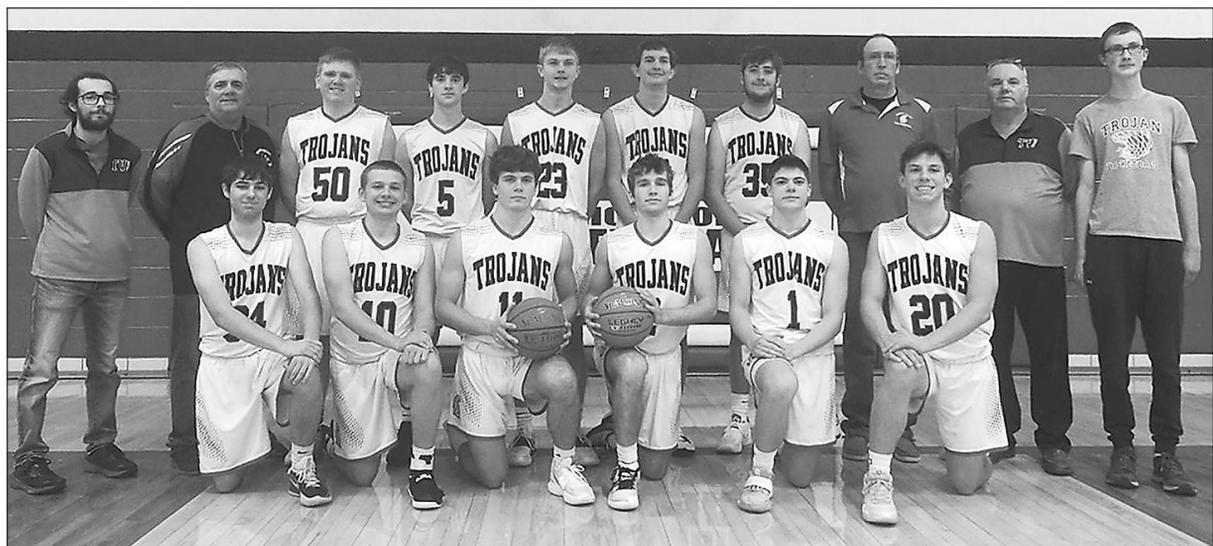
MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)

Linda Lechtenberg 80

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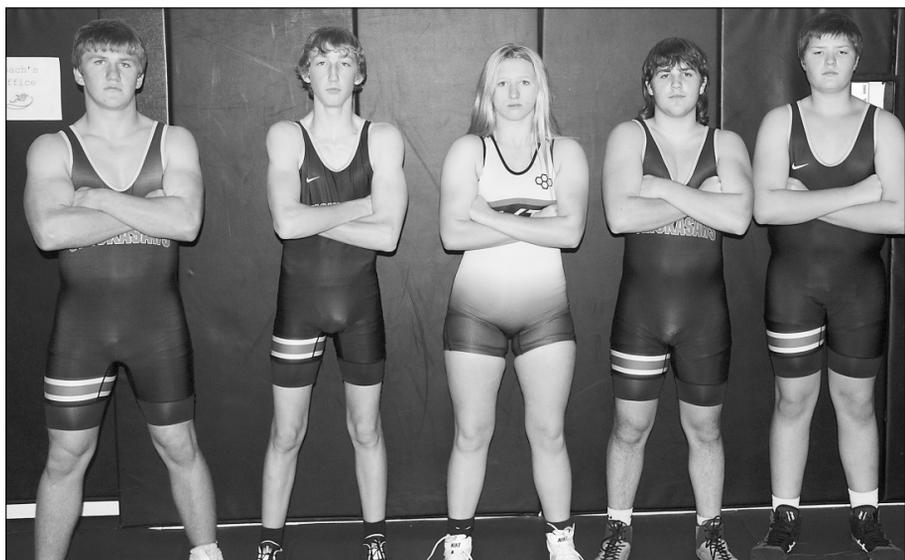
A winter well done, Trojans!



The Turkey Valley boys basketball team had another solid season, going 14-9 overall and 11-5 in the Upper Iowa Conference, which was good for a tie for third place. Members of the team included (front row, from left) Tristan Pullman, Russell Nieman, Noah Hanson, Carson Busta, Caleb Kurtenbach, Oliver Schmitt, (back row) assistant coaches Levi Izer and Steve Busta, Aidan Holthaus, Logan Busta, Chase Hayek, Calvin Bodensteiner, Braylen Byrne, assistant coach Bruce Simmons, head coach John Izer and manager Bode Balk.



The Turkey Valley girls basketball team had a standout season as the Trojans went 17-6 overall and finished second in the Upper Iowa Conference with a record of 14-2, including handing UIC champion Central Elkader it's only conference loss. Members of the team included (front row, from left) Aubrey Hoffert, Alison Leibold, Jacqlyn Schmitt, Brianna Busta, (middle row) manager Bree Balk, Addison Steinlage, Ashlyn Busta, Mariah Thronson, Layni Schuchhardt, Alexis Elsbernd, head coach Steve Hoffert, Maici Weber, Haylee Hanson, Delaney Busta, Annika Bodensteiner, Autumn Macklenburg and assistant coach Frank Wilson.



Wrestlers representing Turkey Valley on the NH/TV wrestling teams included (from left) Burke Busta, Ty Moudry, Keira Myers, Parker Reicks and Trae Keel. The Chickasaw boys team finished the season with a 14-12 dual meet record and finished third at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet and second at the Class 2A district meet. Myers, meanwhile, was one of three Chickasaws to qualify for the first-ever sanctioned girls state wrestling tournament.

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NH/TV seniors cap careers at state

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year,” said McShane. “At 220 I thought I had the best shot at winning a state title there.”

McShane dusted himself off after the Reinicke loss, remained focused and wrestled his way to a third-place finish after pinning Jaxon Cherry of Webster City in the consolation semis on Saturday afternoon. McShane would finish off the tournament with another win over Mount Vernon’s Clark Younggreen, 4-3. McShane, seeded 4th, stopped Younggreen in the quarterfinal round as well, 6-4, to advance and take on Reinicke.

“His third-place match versus the Mount Vernon kid was an absolute dogfight. That Mount Vernon kid is as strong as they come. It was a great back-and-forth match with both wrestlers bloodied and bruised by the end of the match. Braden showed a lot of guts in that win and I couldn’t be more proud of him,” said Paulus.

Reinicke — who pinned McShane at the district meet last year and topped the Chickasaw standout, 11-5, in the third-place state match a few weeks later — was able to come up with an escape early in the second period after the first two minutes of the match were scoreless. Reinicke added a late takedown in the second period to take a 3-0 lead headed into the final stanza.

Then McShane went to work. The Chickasaw star football and baseball player engineered an escape, then with 1:30 left in the match McShane tied the match at 3-3 with a takedown. McShane came close to scoring back points, but was still able to ride out Reinicke for about 45 seconds before the Wolverine won the match with his escape.

McShane talked about his motivation headed into this tournament. He placed fourth overall at 182 pounds as a sophomore.

“I just knew I needed to do better than last year,” said McShane. “I knew I was the second-best kid in the bracket.”

McShane relayed what Paulus told him after the last match of his second state tour-

nament.

“He said he was just proud that I toughed it out and got the next-best thing,” said McShane.

NH/TV sent four wrestlers down to Des Moines, including McShane. Seventh-ranked Ben Tenge (22-6) also fell just a single point short in his match on Friday against Zayvion Ellington of Sergeant Bluff-Luton. Ellington (52-11) won another close one, 5-4, in the consolation fourth round.

“He had some opportunities to score and just couldn’t capitalize. He also had some questionable calls go against him that did not help. But you cannot let the ref decide if you lose or win,” said Paulus. “You have to take them out of it by working hard in matches and scoring more points.”

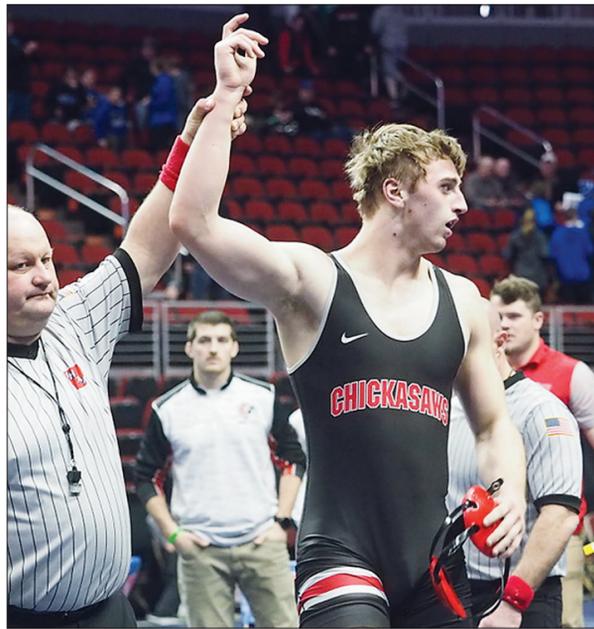
Tenge lost 7-2 to state runner-up Ethan DeLeon of Sioux City Heelan in the quarterfinal round on Thursday. DeLeon (44-1) would suffer his first loss of the season in the finals match on Saturday night to Osage’s Nick Fox, 3-1.

“Ben has been a staple in our lineup for several years, we will miss having him in the lineup,” said Paulus.

Chickasaw senior Peyton Anderson (138) wrestled some of the best matches of his career at districts and state. Anderson went 3-2 over the course of two days, but also fell in the consolation fourth round. Anderson (27-25) bowed out of the tournament after a 14-5 loss to the No. 8 seed, Austin Evans (30-7) of Creston. Anderson defeated Aiden Hippen of Clear Lake, 6-4, in his last match on Thursday.

“P.J. had a heck of a tournament in Des Moines. He has put in a ton of time over the last four years and he was finally able to put it together and show his skills. I know he wanted that blood-round win, but he should hold his head high and be very proud of himself!” said Paulus.

Karson Kolbet (33-16), like McShane, is a junior and will be doubly-motivated to get back to the state tournament in downtown Des Moines. Kolbet lost both of his matches at 160 pounds in the first two days of the tournament to Zach



Strubbe of Boyden Hull/Rock Valley (10-1) and Noah Stranz of Okoboji/HMS (6-4).

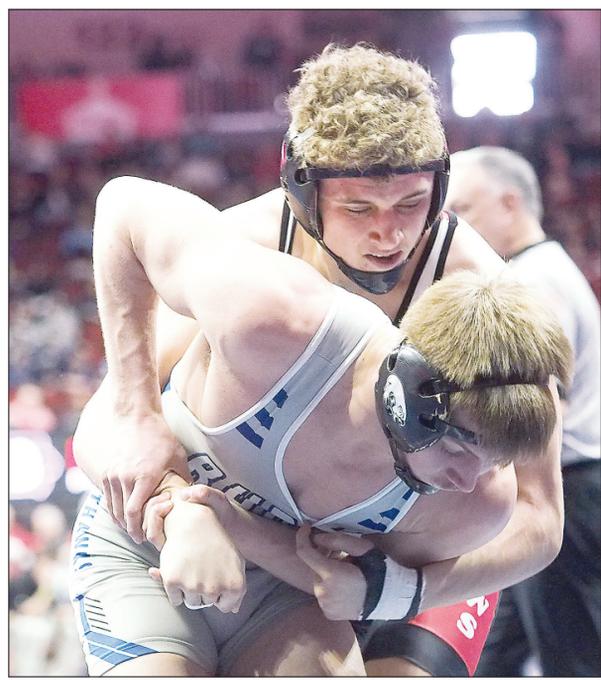
“Karson didn’t have the tournament he wanted, but he gained some valuable experience for the next year. He will be back!” said Paulus. “He made huge jumps this year and he has already been talking about getting back to work for next season. I am excited for him to have a big senior season!”

This year’s state tournament instituted major changes — mainly the state meet becoming a four-day event and bumping up the weight brackets from 16 wrestlers to 24. Also, all wrestlers competed in the first two days of competition, where as in year’s past wrestlers would be eliminated on day one had they not won their first two matches.

“This year’s new four-day format made for a grueling tournament,” said Paulus.

CLASS 2A TOP 10 TEAM SCORES
Osage 175.5, Burlington Notre Dame 106.5, Mount Vernon 99, West Delaware 97.5, Sergeant Bluff-Luton 82.5, Webster City 80, Ballard 74, Greene County 73, Glenwood 70, Union 69. 24. NH/TV 34.

NH/TV RESULTS
138 - Peyton Anderson did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Anderson pinned Irving Ramirez (MOC-Floyd Valley), 2:36. Champ. Round 2 - Keegan Jensen (Winterset) pinned Anderson, 3:39. Cons. Round 2 -



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NH/TV’s Braden McShane (left) has his hand raised after his quarterfinal round, teammate Karson Kolbet (above) works for a “mat return” and Chickasaw coach Matt Paulus intently watches one of his wrestlers at the Class 2A state wrestling tournament last week.



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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Braden McShane checks the clock as he rides out Mount Vernon's Clark Younggreen in a 220-pound quarterfinal match at the Class 2A state wrestling tournament last week.

NH/TV's McShane takes third

Chickasaws' Anderson, Tenge just miss out on medals at 2A state meet

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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With 30 seconds to go in Braden McShane's semifinal match on Friday afternoon in Des Moines, top-ranked and unbeaten Dike-New Hartford's Nick Reinicke slipped from the grasp of New Hampton/Turkey Valley's 220-pounder to take a lead back with just seconds remaining.

A spot in the finals was on the line. That meant fans on the edge of their seat at the state's biggest wrestling venue in Iowa were locked in on one of two semifinal mats to see who would come out on top in this upper-weight clash between two of northern Iowa's finest athletes.

Would McShane stay in the hunt and turn the tables once more on the powerful Wolverine wrestler?

It was not meant to be, as McShane lost a gut-wrenching 4-3 decision to Reinicke, who would go on to win the state crown in Class 2A. McShane (39-4) bounced back to finish third overall.

"Braden wrestled a great tournament and lost a heart-breaker in the semis. He will be back with a vengeance next year," said NH/TV head coach Matt Paulus.

Reinicke (45-0), a D-NH senior and Iowa State football recruit, stopped No. 6 seed Henry Christensen of Ballard by major decision (11-3) on Saturday evening to claim his first state crown ever.

"Braden's semifinal match was as close as it gets. He was the second-best in that bracket," said Paulus.

NH/TV's remarkable tally of 41 individual crowns in prep wrestling will have to wait another year to add to that total, but don't be surprised



Ben Tenge (above) works for back points against Woodward-Granger's Max Dalton while fellow NH/TV senior Peyton Anderson (right) raises his hand after picking up a victory in the consolation bracket.

if McShane is standing on the top step of the podium stand next winter at the "Well" with a gold medal wrapped around his neck.

McShane, a junior who bumped up to 220 pounds after competing at 195 for most of the year, often had wrestlers outweigh him by 20 pounds at the state meet. While McShane wasn't exactly a "true" 220-pounder, it didn't stop him from coming awfully close to a state title for the Chickasaws.

"I'll probably just lift a lot in the offseason and get bigger, so I'm a full 220 for next

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Bowlers finish debut year at 1A regional tournament

Chickasaws pick up valuable experience; coach already looking forward to 2023-24

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The first season was put in the books for the New Hampton bowling team last week at the state qualifier held in Monticello.

The Chickasaws' first year of competition was a success as head coach Andy Aries brought many new bowlers with little meet experience out on to the lanes in 2022-2023.

While the Chickasaws didn't send a team or individual to the state meet, which was held in Waterloo this week, New Hampton broke ground this winter and proved there'll be many more triumphs yet to come.

"It was a good step in the

right direction for us," said Aries. "I got lots of compliments from some of the teams that we bowled against that we have a very good up-and-coming team."

New Hampton traveled two hours south to compete at Legacy Lanes in Monticello in district and regional competition for the girls and boys squads.

The team competition consisted of 15 baker games and individuals rolled three separate 10-frame rounds to see who would extend their season at state.

The state took the top team from each of the eight state-qualifying sites and the

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Dorothy Huber/Tribune

Turkey Valley's Carson Busta puts up a jump shot during the Trojans' district game against East Buchanan last week.

Turkey Valley boys fall in hard-fought district battle

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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John Izer and his Turkey Valley Trojans had every intention of playing Tuesday night at defending state champ North Linn in the district final.

During key stretches of TV's battle with host Maquoketa Valley (16-7) in the district semis last week Thursday, Izer's bunch seemed headed toward that battle royale against the top-ranked Lynx.

It wasn't meant to be, though, as the Wildcats hit shots when it mattered most to come up with a 47-42 victory over the Turkey Valley boys hoops squad.

With the loss, TV's season came to a close.

"We were all just playing to get there. That was our goal. We came up a game short of our goal," said Izer about a potential matchup with North Linn.

"We're just as good to be there as Maquoketa Valley, they just got us on that night."

Turkey Valley (14-9) took the two-hour long haul down to Jackson County in eastern Iowa to see if it could extend its season.

Izer mentioned three key factors in the game that could help TV come up with a win versus the Wildcats – possess the ball without turning it over, rebound and make free throws. TV committed just 10 turnovers, hit all four of its free throws and held a 30-24 advantage on the glass.

The shots just wouldn't fall when TV needed them most.

"We had three looks in the last four minutes of the game that were wide open," said Izer. "Great looks – you want the guys to take them every time. They just hit tough shots with

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Chickasaw boys fade after fast start, fall to MFL-Mar-Mac



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The pain (above) of seeing their season end is evident on the faces of New Hampton basketball players as the final seconds tick down Thursday night while senior Gannon Shekleton (right) makes a valiant effort to save a ball from going out of bounds.

New Hampton drops district semifinal game to top-seed Bulldogs

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If New Hampton's 74-47 district loss to MFL last Thursday showed fans anything, it was just how quickly a basketball game can turn around.

After Cael Laures started out the game with a 3-point shot to open the scoring, the Chickasaw boys, at the least, kept on the tails of the Bulldogs, and often led the 22-1 team.

When Carter Steinlage took down his own rebound and put it back up for a basket, the score was tied at 12 and with a Gannon Shekleton baseline shot and a Laures goal from under the basket, New Hampton led 16-12 after a quarter.

MFL turnovers contributed to the success in the first quarter, but the Chickasaws had their own miscues early in the second quarter allowing MFL to catch up, then take a lead midway through the period.

But with a Ben Gilbert 3-pointer and a free throw by Steinlage, New Hampton led



24-23 with 1:30 left in the half.

That's when turnovers bit the Chickasaws in the tush once again, letting the Bulldogs go on an 8-0 run before the half and tale a 31-24 advantage into the intermission.

"Yeah, you feel like you won the half and you look up and you're down by seven and you think how the heck did that happen?" Coach Ryan Rausch continued, "MFL, they really do a good job bullying with their physicality, but we didn't back down. It was a guard-based

game because of their style of play, definitely a challenge how they play and how we adjusted to it."

New Hampton wasn't able to take the lead in the third quarter but they kept the Bulldogs within striking distance with some good defense that included a steal by Aiden Roberson and consecutive blocks by Laures. But shortly after Laures blocked those shots – late in the third quarter – he sustained an ankle

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