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Supervisors tackle ARPA funds

Resident speaks out against using federal dollars to help Nashua dam project

By **BOB FENSKE**
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Depending on how one looks at it, Chickasaw County has somewhere between \$61,559.24 to more than \$1.2 million remaining when it comes to its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

That's obviously a wide disparity, but during a meeting of the Chickasaw

County Board of Supervisors Monday, board members discussed how they wanted to spend the money the federal government doled out to local government agencies to help them deal with issues caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Board members also were criticized Monday by a New Hampton resident who took supervisors to task for a decision it made on May 1 to provide

the city of Nashua with \$50,000 for a dam project.

Board Chairman Matt Kuhn provided supervisors with a spreadsheet that showed the county has paid \$876,525.30 in claims with ARPA funds. The vast majority of that money has been used to start Chickasaw County EMS, the county-owned ambulance service, but the county has also paid \$20,000 for the development of

a new website, \$600 for drone pictures and \$15,000 for a jail feasibility study.

He added the county has also pledged \$10,000 for a second jail study, \$217,197 to cover part of the rural cost of the ambulance and the \$50,000 to Nashua. The board has also pledged \$1.15 million for building

projects, although as County Attorney David Laudner pointed out, "nothing is in the pipeline."

Board members, though, made little

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Dollars for Scholars ready to hand out host of scholarships

Organization's president says support shows community's support for students

By **BOB FENSKE**
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Graduating New Hampton High School seniors are set to get their post-secondary educations off to a strong start next Tuesday during the annual Dollars for Scholars Awards Night.

And the president of the New Hampton chapter of Dollars for Scholars believes the amount of money that will be handed out during Tuesday evening's program speaks volumes about the community and its residents.

"I think it shows just how much commitment we have from our businesses and our residents when it comes to our young people," Dustin Lewis said. "They get it. They understand the importance of making sure our kids get a strong start to college."

Lewis will be the first to admit that there's another reason for the lack of a better word, ulterior motive — albeit a good one — when it comes to the more than \$200,000 in scholarships that will be handed out in a program that begins at 7 p.m. in the competition gymnasium.

"Hopefully, they'll realize how supportive the

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center's Laboratory Department has been bolstered in recent months by the hiring of four natives — (from left) Yo Gye Yoon, Merza Diaz, Nathalie Fernandez and Denise Figuera — of the Philippines.

FAR, FAR AWAY FROM HOME

SAVE FOR THE WEATHER, FILIPINO LAB TECHS SETTLING NICELY INTO MERCYONE

By **BOB FENSKE**
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Imagine moving 8,000 miles from home — a move that comes with a dramatic climate change — and one would expect a certain amount of angst.

Yet, as the four Filipinos sat with the reporter in a "family room" at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center, there was little angst and a lot of laughter.

Put it this way, Yo Gye Yoon, Merza Diaz, Denise Figuera and Nathalie Fernandez — the lab techs from the Philippines — are adjusting to Iowa and MercyOne just fine.

"It is a nice place to work and a nice place to live," Diaz said. "Everyone says hi, if they know you or not ..."

One of her friends, Figuera, couldn't help but laugh and interrupted.

"And everyone waves when you're driving," she said. "That's a thing here, right?"

Yes, it is, but make no mistake about it, the four Filipinos working in the hospital's Laboratory Department are enjoying their adventure far, far away from home.

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Denise Figuera prepares a slide for testing as she works in the MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center Laboratory Department last week.



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Final concert

Eighth-grader Israel Ortiz plays his French horn during New Hampton Middle School's annual Spring Concert that was held Monday night.

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County leaders want more than one bid for Sheriff's Office cameras

By **BOB FENSKE**
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors Monday put the brakes on its sheriff's proposal to buy new in-car and body cameras for his deputies.

Sheriff Ryan Shawver, during a meeting on May 1, had proposed purchasing seven sets of cameras as part of an effort to not only modernize the

Sheriff's Office technology but also to begin the process of having all of his officers outfitted with the same cameras.

On Monday, Shawver upped his proposal to purchasing 11 in-car, often referred to as "dash cams" and body cameras for the office, as well as two additional body cameras to be used in and around the jail area.

The cost of Shawver's original pro-

posal was \$99,700 while Monday's proposition would cost the county \$164,770.

"It would put us all on one system," said Shawver, who asked the board to consider using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to cover the costs of the camera purchase. "Everything would be the same — body cameras, in-car cameras on all of our vehicles, plus a spare vehicle and would allevi-

ate the two systems."

Chief Deputy Zach Nobsch added that Motorola would replace all of the department's body cameras in three years, and "we all know how fast technology is progressing. If we want to stay ahead of the program, that is what we need to do and Ryan agrees."

The cameras were part of a two-prong proposal made by Shawver and Nobsch Monday, when they also

requested the supervisors considering using ARPA funds to purchase and outfit three new vehicles for the department.

"One big thing that our department suffered during the COVID pandemic was the availability of vehicles," Shawver said. "We are essentially falling behind severely. ... So we're

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Meet a MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center nurse and her staff who run a unique program
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The New Hampton girls golf team ekes out three-shot win to claim another NEIC crown
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New Hampton coaches find a lot to like at NEIC track meet
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WRAPPING UP THE MUSICAL YEAR!

Members of the 7-8 Choir (above) perform a song while Natalie Flansch (right) plays her saxophone, on her birthday no less, with the Sixth-Grade Band during New Hampton Middle School's annual Spring Concert that was held Monday evening.



Keynotes Choir member Harper Dungey (left) joins her fellow fifth- and sixth-grade students in a song, Jack Finn plays the French horn and Nicholas Pickar (above) is on trumpet with the Fifth-Grade Band while Sydney Laures (right) keeps an eye on her music as she plays percussion for the 7-8 Band.



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Members of the Keynotes Choir (above) have fun singing their opening song Monday night while Reed Erlandson and Dawson Monteith (below) play their trumpets with the Fifth-Grade Band.

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Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors members look over a proposal submitted by Sheriff Ryan Shawver during Monday's board meeting.

Board chair wants to sort out 'irons in the fire'

SHERIFF: FROM 1

essentially running vehicles nine or 10 years. It's starting to catch up with us."

The sheriff said the issue isn't necessarily the age of the vehicles but the number of miles the older vehicles have accumulated.

"The auditor can attest to my bills that have come through from Wayne's, S&T and Vern Laues lately have been painstaking and hard to deal with," Shawver said. "It's just hard running an aging fleet with higher miles. ... This would definitely get us there, and it's what our department needs right now."

But the vehicle purchases, at least, were met with a lukewarm response from supervisors.

"My only thought is just looking at the whole picture here is we have a lot of irons

in the fire," Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said. "Until we get some of those sorted out, I'm not going to be in favor of a large purchase at this time."

Shawver said he understood what Kuhn was saying but added that "our irons in the fire, which are right here, are still going to be there, no matter what happens."

During the May 1 meeting, supervisors seemed on board with Shawver purchasing the cameras with money from his 2023-24 fiscal year budget, but on Monday, they were hesitant to spend ARPA dollars on the cameras.

Shawver said he would consider using his budget to fund \$99,700 of the purchase for new cameras, but "not knowing what's going to happen based on what the vehicle expenses have been, for us to fund all 11 of these ... would be very tight."

Even though board members didn't bring up the lack of competitive bids during the May 1 meeting, on Monday, they expressed concern that Shawver had only reached out to Motorola.

"I think if it's within its budget for the seven, I support that," Supervisor Jake Hackman said, "but the only thing I don't support is having one vendor. It's not up to me; it's up to the private auditor but it's supposed to be competitive [bids]."

Kuhn repeatedly asked his fellow board members if any of them wanted to make a motion on purchasing the Motorola cameras, and a motion wasn't forthcoming.

Instead, Shawver was instructed to bring back another bid for the cameras, in large part, to satisfy concerns the county's private auditor might have about not following the competitive bid process.

Resident asks supervisors to 'pull back' on Nashua dam

ARPA: FROM 1

progress Monday on what to do with the ARPA funds, save for agreeing that one item on Kuhn's list needed its wording change.

Supervisor Steve Breitbach said one requirement of the ARPA dollars is that it not be used for tax relief, but the spreadsheet the supervisors received Monday said that the county has allocated \$217,197 for "rural basic EMS tax relief."

Laudner, though, said besides the wording, he wasn't concerned that the county was violating ARPA guidelines.

"In practice, what happened or what will [happen] is a \$217,000 shift from the ARPA fund directly into the EMS budget," he said, "so I think it's hard to argue that it wasn't for the ambulance."

New Hampton resident Terry Johnson, though, expressed

frustration that supervisors voted to use \$50,000 of interest earned on the county's ARPA funds to help Nashua with a project to repair its dam.

"I am concerned that we need to finish projects before we hand out money," Johnson said, "and it's our own projects in Chickasaw County that we need to complete."

He pointed out the county still hasn't purchased a third ambulance for its EMS department and still doesn't have a firm plan in place for a permanent home for the county-owned service. He also wondered why Nashua wasn't required to submit a copy of the bill the city is facing with engineering and the cost of divers.

"That concerns me," he said. "I know this board has asked for justification for the money before it passed the money out. This time we didn't. I want a little explanation. The taxpayer

wants a little explanation on why it was handed out ... as easily as it was."

Johnson went on to say that he felt the county was setting a "precedent" by giving one town \$50,000.

"You'd better be ready for \$50,000 for Fredericksburg, \$50,000 for Alta Vista and \$50,000 for Lawler," he said and then added later that "what frustrates me is ... we need to take care of our departments, the county's departments, first."

Supervisor Scott Cerwinski, whose district includes Nashua, defended his vote to give the city \$50,000.

"I voted in favor of it because I remember the 80s when the lake wasn't there and what it did to the property values," Cerwinski said, "and you want to talk about what we're going to do when the ARPA funds are done and we have to live within our means, if those property

values die, where are we going to get the tax dollars to live within our means? That's why I voted for the \$50,000."

Johnson said he felt the county should "pull back" its \$50,000, even though, the money hasn't yet been delivered to the city; in fact, the May 1 vote to help with the dam project was contingent on the approval of a budget amendment.

In the end, though, board members did not make any decisions on how to use ARPA funds in the future or even if it would "open" the funds to other county departments. Instead, Kuhn said he believes the county must first make a decision of whether or not it wants to move Public Health and Homecare Services to the Heritage Building Center.

The board chair said that issue will be placed on next week's agenda.

Elma's "Tossed & Found" charitable grant program

A record number of 11 grant applications came in for March 2023's funding cycle in the Tossed & Found thrift store charitable grant program.

Two applicants were ineligible due to being outside the stated program area, but the remaining nine applicants each received a share of the \$5,000 available in funding for the current cycle.

"It's exciting to see that there are so many projects and programs going on in the Elma area that reached out to us for funding through our semi-annual charitable grant program," stated Callie Weigel, store volunteer. "Besides the fun of seeing the variety of items donated to our store, it's rewarding to see the funds generated from the items re-sale going out to projects that better our community. It's what keeps our core of volunteers passionate about our little thrift store!"

All grant recipients must be 501c3 non-profit entities or local government affiliated within the communities of Elma, Alta Vista, Lourdes and Riceville, and their projects must be something that better those communities.

The store grants back proceeds in two funding cycle per year, one in March and the other in September, with over \$26,500 distributed since the store opened in 2019. Additionally, the store purchased over \$2,500 worth of welcome banners for Elma and has given out approximately \$400 in product with our annual kid's shopping day in December and a local fire-victim family's shopping spree.

"As our sales grow, so does our grant amounts," stated Weigel. "The BRIDGE Organization of Elma is our fiscal agent and owns the building we use, we have a 100 percent volunteer staff and so after we cover utilities, store supplies and marketing costs our proceeds are put back into the community."

Grants awarded/projects funded for the March cycle include:

- \$1,000 to the Fire Fighters of Elma for their Phase II building addition to the fire station.
- \$875 to the Elma Early Childhood Center to update playground equipment.
- \$875 to the Elma Park to update & make reinforcements to the ballpark grandstand.
- \$500 to Riceville Community Foundation toward their splash pad project.
- \$500 to Our Lady of Lourdes Church for the purchase of a defibrillator.
- \$500 to the Elma Community Complex project for purchasing kitchen equipment & utensils.
- \$350 to Elma Public Library to purchase the STEAM Ahead program.
- \$250 to City of Elma for the Elma Splash Pad.
- \$150 to Alta Vista Library for programming.



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The largest donation provided in the March cycle by Elma's Tossed & Found Charitable Grant Program was a \$1,000 check to the Elma Fire Department.

Briefs

NHHS Class of 1958 to hold reunion during Heartland Days

The members of the New Hampton High School Class of 1958 will be gathering to celebrate their 65th class reunion during Heartland Days on June 9-10.

The reunion will begin at 6 p.m. Friday to watch the parade on Main Street, meeting at the Blue Iris and library corner. At 7 p.m. after the parade, there will be an informal get together for dinner and drinks at Poor Richards.

On Saturday at 10 a.m. there will be a music program at the Kensington Assisted Living facility. The program will be presented by classmate Bob Woodford and his cousin Jerry Bailey.

After the music program, class members will meet for a social gathering and private buffet luncheon at the Pub at the Pinicon, beginning at 11:30 a.m. The Pinicon is not open to the public until 4:00 p.m. It is anticipated that the luncheon will start at about 12:30 p.m. to be followed by a short program and more socializing.

The class is also welcome to take part in the "self-guided" tours at the old New Hampton High School from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

For more information about the reunion, class members can email Dan Fliger at djfliger@mchsi.com.

Mobile Food Bank will make monthly stop in New Hampton next week

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank will distribute food next Thursday, May 18, at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Hampton.

Food will be distributed from 4 to 5:30 p.m., and those who would like to volunteer at the event should be at the church by 3:45 p.m.

The Northeast Iowa Mobile Food Bank urges all residents and families who are "food insecure" to avail itself of its services.

Turkey Valley students finally get their trip to Chicago

After five years of not having a Chicago science trip due to COVID restrictions, Turkey Valley was able to offer the trip to juniors and seniors recently.

A total of 29 students and three chaperones went on the trip on April 21. Funding for the trip was provided by Turkey Valley Education Foundation (TVEF) for the bus and the rest was from the students.

The students started the trip at the Museum of Science and Industry where they also had a video over Mt. Everest in the Giant Dome Theater.

After the museum, the students went to a comedy club for some improv comedy. The night concluded with Chicago style pizza.

Saturday was a busy schedule for the students. They started at the bean (Cloud Gate) for pictures and then went to Shedd Aquarium for a dolphin show and exhibits. They visited the Field Museum and then ventured to Lincoln Park zoo in the afternoon. That night the students went to Navy Pier for a meal, rides, and shopping and then ended with a beautiful



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With the skyline of Chicago as a backdrop, Turkey Valley students pose for a picture during their trip to the Windy City.

night view of Chicago from Willis Tower. The students were very thankful for TVEF for funding the bus; this kept the trip affordable for all students.

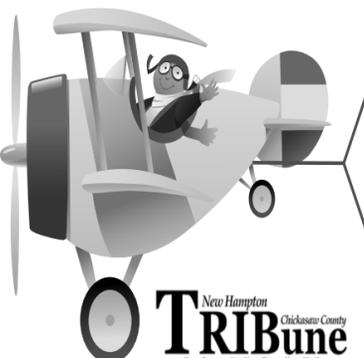
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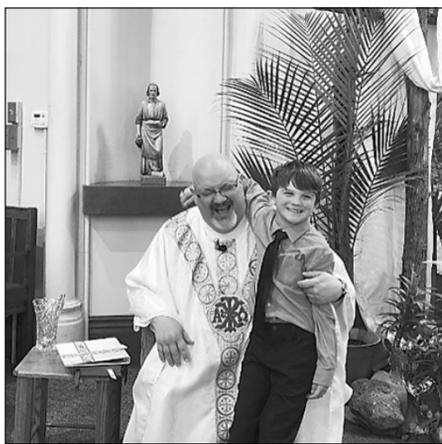
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Celebrating first communion

The Good Shepherd Catholic Cluster (Holy Family in New Hampton, Immaculate Conception in North Washington, and St. Boniface in Ionia) recently celebrated First Communion at our parish sites.

First Holy Communion is considered one of the holiest and most important occasions in a Roman Catholic person's life. It is the first time that a person receives the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, which is the eating of consecrated bread and drinking of consecrated wine.

Pictured above left are Father Jim Goerend and Jackson Boss enjoying a light moment after Boss celebrated First Communion on April 29 at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton.

Pictured above right are those who took First Communion at Holy Family Parish on April 30 and include (front row, from left) Randy Guevara, Levi Lechtenberg, Abel Shekleton, Cale Geerts, Kalison Phillips, Brinley Croell, Cora Geerts, Sapphire Fricke, (middle row) Brayden Lynch, Brooks Lechtenberg, Kole Abbas, Melia Underwood, William Neville, (back row) Father Goerend, Averie Rochford, Micah Johnson, Johana Valdez and Ailin Valdez.



Receiving First Communion at Immaculate Conception recently were Emerson Kinley (left) on April 15 at Immaculate Conception, Edith Wegner (above) on April 23 at Holy Family and Kinley Kellogg (right) on April 22 at Boniface.

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Med student goes above and beyond

New Hampton High School graduate Chance Johnson, a second-year student in the doctor of osteopathic medicine program at Des Moines University, is pictured with Dr. Steven Halm, the dean of DMU's College of Osteopathic Medicine after he was selected to receive the university's Above and Beyond Award.

The son of Pat Johnson and the late Don Johnson of New Hampton, Johnson earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Iowa.

The Above and Beyond Award recognizes students' outstanding collaboration, commitment, community service, innovation and leadership. Award recipients are nominated by their classmates.

Registration for ISU Extension summer day camps is open

Chickasaw County Extension and Outreach and Chickasaw County 4-H is offering several summer day camps for all K-3 graders starting in June and going through July.

Extension is also offering one for 4-6 graders and one for 7-12 graders.

These camps are open to everyone and include:

- **Bugs! A Creepy Crawly Adventure:** This camp involves fun, hands-on activities that teach basic science principles and will be held Tuesday, June 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Nashua at Big 4 Fairgrounds. Cost is \$15.
- **Magician's Laboratory:** The camp will explore gravity, reactions, optical illusions and learn about the science behind the magic. It will be held Tuesday, June 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in New Hampton at Mikkelson Park. Cost is \$15.
- **Slimy, Goocy, Gross:** This day camp will involve fun hands-on activities that teach basic science principles. It will be held Tuesday, June 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in New Hampton at Mikkelson Park. Cost is \$15.
- **Fun at the Fair!** Learn more about being a 4-H member, history of the fair, games, and even a tour of the fair-

grounds! The camp is set for Thursday, July 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the fairgrounds in Nashua. Cost is \$10.

- **Unfortunate Camp!**

This camp will explore the science behind inventions, we will study reptiles and get creative with interesting projects, and will be held on Thursday, June 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Big 4 Fairgrounds in Nashua.

- **Experimenting with Drones!** Youth will examine the rules and regulations for operating drones in Iowa and will identify the ways drones can be used in a career

or hobby. Learn the proper ways to handle and maintain a drone. Of course we will be flying drones as well. The camp is set Thursday, June 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Garnant Park in New Hampton.

Registrations are due by two weeks before each day camp.

You can find registration forms on our website: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/chickasaw/summer-day-camps-registration-open> or contact Jenna Steffen, Chickasaw County Youth Outreach Coordinator, or Patrick Dirks, County Youth Coordinator at 641-394-2174 or email xchickasaw@iastate.edu.

Briefs

EMS open house to be held at MercyOne on May 23

Several agencies will come together on Tuesday, May 23, to hold an EMS Open House.

The event that will showcase those in the county that take care of our emergency medical needs will be held at the MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center Emergency Department parking lot.

Residents will have a chance to see a number of emergency vehicles, take part in a "teddy bear clinic," have their blood pressure checked, enjoy some refreshments and possibly win a prize.

Children may bring their favorite stuffed animal for a special check-up. If any loose seams need mending, a special surgical team will be ready.

Participating agencies include Chickasaw County EMS, Chickasaw County Rescue Squad, MercyOne Air Med, and MercyOne New Hampton.

The event will be held rain or shine.

Hopp to be keynote speaker at NICC commencement tonight

TriMark executive Lynn Hopp will be giving the keynote address for the Northeast Iowa Community College Calmar commencement this spring.

The Calmar ceremony will be held at Luther College, Center for Faith and Life, in Decorah, at 7 p.m. tonight (Thursday). The event is free and open to the public.

There will be 125 graduates attending the ceremony. Sue Runyon, of Fayette, NICC Board of Trustees, will give the welcome address. Hopp, vice president international operations and resources for TriMark Corporation, will give the keynote address.

"During his 28-year career at TriMark Corporation, Hopp has served in diverse capacities including vice president of human resources and board of director, director of human resources, training and safety manager and training coordinator," said the news release. "TriMark is an innovator, designer and manufacturer of vehicle hardware products headquartered in New Hampton."

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Friday	73	51	.24
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Tuesday	74	54	--

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly cloudy with chance of showers and thunderstorms; high 78, low 60.
Friday: Mostly cloudy and showers likely; high 77, low 61.
Saturday: Another rainy day on tap with a high of 75 and a low of 53.
Sunday: Partly sunny and cooler with a high of 65 and a low of 45.
Extended forecast: Sunny both Monday and Tuesday with highs in the 70s and lows falling into the 50s.

Meetings

MONDAY
 • Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
 • New Hampton School Board, 6:30 p.m., High School Media Center.
 • New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

- In 1858, Minnesota is admitted into the union, becoming the 32nd state.
- In 1864, A dismounted Union trooper fatally wounds J.E.B. Stuart, one of the most well-known generals of the Confederate States of America, at the Battle of Yellow Tavern, just six miles north of Richmond, Virginia.
- In 1934, the first of what proves to be devastating dust storms blows across the Great Plains.
- In 1969, U.S. and South Vietnamese forces begin a 10-day battle against the Communists for control of Hill 937, which became known as "Hamburger Hill."
- In 1981, Bob Marley, the soul and international face of reggae music, dies in a Miami, Florida, hospital at the age of 36.
- In 1985, 50 people die in a fire in the grandstand at a soccer stadium in Bradford, England.

Birthdays

- Composer and lyricist Irving Berlin was born in 1889.
- Spanish artist Salvador Dalí was born in 1904.
- Father Mychal Judge, the famed New York Fire Department chaplain who died during the Sept. 11 attacks, was born in 1933.
- "Girl Meets World" star Sabrina Carpenter turns 24.
- Former Heisman Trophy winner Cam Newton turns 34.

Corrections

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 If you see an error, please call Editor Bob Fenske at 641-394-2111.

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Ben E. Ryan, 94

Ben E. Ryan, age 94 of New Hampton, passed away on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at the New Hampton Nursing & Rehab Center as a result of colon cancer.

Ben was the son of Ben E. Ryan, Sr. and Martha L. (Haker) Ryan.

He married the love of his life, Mary C. Bockenstedt, in 1952 and they had three children — Ron (Lucy) Ryan of St. Louis, Tom (Nancy) Ryan of New Hampton, and Ann (Jeoff) Block of West Des Moines. He has six grandchildren — Angie (Jason) Gibson of Boone, Jenna (Kris) Feldmann of Washington, Missouri, Ted Ryan and Max (Amy) Ryan of St. Louis, Ashley (Sam) Myers of Waukee, and Jacob (Tori) Block of Van Meter. He has six great-grandchildren — Logan and Bryce Gibson, Abby and Audrey Feldmann, and Charlotte and Oscar Ryan.

He is preceded in death by his parents and stepmother, his wife Mary and his sister Genevieve.

Ben was born Feb. 22, 1929, in Waterloo, near the beginning of the Great Depression. At age 9, his father became unable to walk, which caused the family to move in with Grandpa Frank Haker on the farm.

A year later, his parents and sister moved in with grandparents Harry and Alice Ryan, and Ben moved in with Uncle Chuck's family on the farm for eight months to complete fifth grade with his country school classmates. When Ben was 11, his father was able to obtain a desk job in Greeley, and they finally had a home of their own. At age 16, his mother died from a surgery complication. During his junior and senior years, Ben drove a country school bus for Greeley Consolidated School students.

Following high school, Ben became a manager trainee with Farmers Lumber & Supply Co. at Farley, Northwood and Brookings, South Dakota, and was promoted to manager of the Earlville, yard.

He served proudly in the U.S. Army during the Korean War as a special agent with the Counter Intelligence Corps.

After military service, he worked at the Fayette County Loan Company in West Union, which prepared him to launch the Family Loan Service, Inc. in 1953 in New Hampton. He sold the loan business in 1960, and became secretary-manager of the Chickasaw Mutual Insurance Association in New Hampton.

He later created the Ben Ryan Agency to provide insurance protection that complemented the Association. After 32 years, Ben retired as president of Chickasaw Mutual Insurance Association in 1992, and sold his business to son, Tom.



Ben Ryan

Ben was a New Hampton ambassador — active in community and business affairs. He served on the boards of the Mutual Insurance Association of Iowa, New Hampton Chamber of Commerce, New Hampton Rotary Club, People's Mutual Savings and Loan Association, New Hampton Pleasant Manor Corporation, New Hampton Public Library, and Chickasaw Mutual Insurance Association. He was past president of the New Hampton Chamber of Commerce and the New Hampton Rotary Club.

There wasn't a parade, fish fry, pancake breakfast, or church supper that Ben would miss. Between Rotary and the New Hampton Chamber of Commerce, he was always buying or selling tickets. One of his proudest accomplishments was in 1978, when he led a successful "Operation Rescue" drive to fund emergency heart respiratory equipment used by the local ambulance service. Highlights also include administering the Rotary Club's student loan program for many years, and renovating Calvary Cemetery after years of neglect. Ben was presented Rotary Club's "Paul Harris Fellow" award (and was a 60-year member), and was named "Boss of the Year" by the Jaycee organization in 1978.

Ben and Mary were members of St. Joseph's Church (now Holy Family) since moving to New Hampton in 1953. Ben enjoyed a wonderful retirement, including golf and euchre with friends.

Most of all, he loved and was proud of his family. We miss him greatly.

Visitation will be Friday, May 12, 2023, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Conway Markham Funeral Home.

Funeral mass will be held at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton on Saturday, May 13, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. with viewing one hour before mass in the church gathering space.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to: New Hampton Rotary Scholarship Fund, PO Box 445, New Hampton, IA 50659.

Frederick 'Fred' Bohaty, 79

Frederick "Fred" Bohaty, age 79 of Lawler, died Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at Aase Haugen Senior Services in Decorah.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 6, 2023, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler, with the Rev. Dan Knipper celebrating the Mass. Kim Ball was the vocalist and Samantha Schulz played the organ. Presenting the offertory gifts were Fred's grandchildren — Samantha, Montie Mae, Talyn, and Brooklyn.

For those unable to attend the Mass in person, they could join the family via Livestream on Fred's obituary page at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Interment was held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Cemetery in Lawler, with Chad Ball, Doug Ball, Gene Blazek, Joe Sabelka, Dean Fisher, Dave Vsetecka, Dennis Njus, Steve Kuennen and Jeff Jirak serving as pallbearers. Military Honors were conducted by Harold Redman American Legion Lawler Unit No. 279.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 5, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass at the church in Lawler on Saturday.

Frederick Edward Bohaty was born Jan. 22, 1944, in Los Angeles, the son of Frederick and Delores (Bartlett) Bohaty. He received his education in Colon, Nebraska, and Barstow, California.

He entered the U.S. Army in April of 1961 and was honorably



Fred Bohaty

discharged in April of 1964.

On June 27, 1964, he married Carol L. Graf at St. George Church in Tinley Park, IL. They lived in an apartment by Midway Airport and shortly thereafter bought a home in Woodridge, Illinois.

In March 1968, Fred and Carol bought the Carl Slindee farm six miles north of Lawler. He farmed the land and worked as a truck driver, was employed at the Conoco station for Bob Arens in Lawler, was a Schwan's delivery man, and changed careers working as a dredge technician and mechanic for 20 years for Don Blazek Sr.

Fred and Carol built their present home themselves from the block up starting in 1976. Fred worked in his shed as a super do-it-yourself craftsman. He would fix anything or make anything for his wife, children, grandchildren, or neighbors.

He was noted for his patience in teaching others; always behind the scenes making

projects and creating fun for the members of the Far Out 4's 4-H Club for 24 years. He was a chaperone and BBQ chef for 4-H events and named an honorary 4-H member in 1989. He was inducted into the Iowa State 4-H Hall of Fame in 2006, was a proud member of the Harold Redman American Legion Lawler Unit No. 279 and was on the firing squad at veteran's funerals.

Fred loved to work on old cars. He won many trophies and plaques at car shows with his 1951 Packard Ultramatic 4-door 200 Deluxe straight 8 288-cu.in. 135 automatic.

Fred is survived by his wife, Carol of 58 years of Lawler; two daughters, Deborah Bohaty of Hudson, and Kimberly (Jim) Gannon of Des Moines; one son, Scott (Carrie) Bohaty of New Hampton; grandchildren, Samantha Gannon (Cole Nordman) of Des Moines, Montie Mae (Neil) Konrad of Marshalltown, and Talyn and Brooklyn Bohaty of New Hampton; great-granddaughter, Ainsley Konrad of Marshalltown; one brother, Ed Bohaty of Apple Valley, California; one sister, Loretta (Bernie) Sladky of Wahoo, Nebraska; many nieces, nephews, cousins; great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews in Nebraska, North Carolina, Illinois, Tennessee, Oklahoma, California and Virginia.

He was preceded in death by his son, Robert in 1969, parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles and many friends.

Harry Francis 'Harry' Gilbert, 82

Harold Francis "Harry" Gilbert — a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and pillar of the New Hampton community — passed away peacefully on May 4, 2023, at the age of 82.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with the Rev. Jim Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment was at Calvary Cemetery in New Hampton with Jerod Gilbert, Scott Anderson, Steve Gilbert, Gerard Shekleton, Dwayne Gilbert, and Randy Gilbert serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton, where there was a 7 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass on Wednesday at the church.

Born on May 20, 1940, the son of Henry and Amalia (Glaser) Gilbert, near North Washington, Harry lived a life full of love, laughter, and service to others.

Harry attended grade school in North Washington and went on to attend New Hampton High School, graduating in 1957. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force as a missile technician from 1961 to 1962, stationed in Texas, Illinois and Nebraska.

On July 28, 1962, he married the love of his life, Patricia Ann Troyna, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Ionia. The couple met



Harry Gilbert

at Pat's sister's wedding dance in Lawler and shared a love that lasted over six decades.

As the owner and operator of Gilbert Towing and Radiator, Harry was known for his kindness and generosity. He once rescued a mother and her young son in the middle of a winter storm and invited her to join his family for Christmas Eve because she had nowhere else to go. Work was his hobby, and he was committed to helping others in their time of need.

Harry's dedication to his community extended far beyond his business. He served as the mayor of New Hampton from 1975 to 1986, working tirelessly to improve the lives of its residents.

As a member of the Jaycees, he held the positions of local and state vice president and received numerous local and national awards for his service. His commitment to public service also led him to join the vol-

unteer fire department, where he selflessly served alongside his fellow firefighters.

In his free time, Harry enjoyed golfing with his regular foursome on Wednesday nights during the summer months. He loved the camaraderie and friendly competition it brought each week.

He cherished moments spent playing cards with his family and close friends, as well as dancing to polka music. Harry had a fondness for a good slice of apple pie and took pleasure in traveling and visiting different museums. This interest in exploration led to his love for maps, often studying them and quizzing others about their geography.

Harry will be remembered for his kind and friendly nature, always willing to lend a helping hand or share a laugh with those around him. His legacy of love, service, and devotion to his family will live on.

Harry is survived by his wife of 60 years, Patricia of New Hampton; two daughters, Christine (Scott) Anderson of Seattle, and Lisa Gilbert of Ames; one son, Al (Cindy) Gilbert of New Hampton; one grandson, Jerod (Mandy) Gilbert of New Hampton; three great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and six siblings — Mary Ann (Pat) Shekleton, Agnes (Virgil) Lentz, Marcella (Herb) Christoph, Norbert (June) Gilbert, Alvin (Patricia) Gilbert and Doris (Louis) Haskovec.

Property Transfers

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Richard A. Bast and Colleen M. Bast to Cole S. Hoffman and Brandy M. Hoffman; NASHUA COLERS ADDITION Lot: 8 Block: 10.

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Russet	Webster City	\$7,367	\$5,507
Midnight Black	Fort Dodge	\$11,947	\$8,533
Wausau	Fort Dodge	\$2,802	\$1,699

Michael Allan Showers, 51

Michael Allan Showers — a beloved husband, father and friend — passed away on Wednesday, May 3, 2023, in West Union, at the age of 51.

A memorial service will be held in Michael's honor at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Fredericksburg have been entrusted with Michael's arrangements.

Online condolences for the Showers family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Born on May 17, 1971, in Des Moines, the son of William and Charlotte (Vermeulen) Showers, Michael was known for his friendly, selfless, and optimistic nature. He was a devoted family man who cherished his time with his loved ones and lived every day to serve his family. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Michael graduated from West Des Moines Valley High School in 1989 and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from the University of Northern Iowa in 2002.

He found great joy in his work as a driver and sales representative for Schwans, where he was able to connect with people on his route and share his love for the products he sold. His outgoing personality and genuine interest in others made him a favorite among his customers and colleagues alike.

In a serendipitous encounter, Michael met the love of his life, Heidi Bloem, at a Git-N-Go gas station where he was work-



Michael Showers

The two quickly fell in love and were married on Sept. 23, 2000, at Dutton's Cave in West Union. Michael would say that the secret to a successful marriage is "low expectations," then laugh and say, "Marry your best friend."

Michael's family was his everything. He took great pride in loving and providing for his wife and kids. Having learned how to be a superb culinary chef from Ferrari's in Cedar Falls, Michael was always eager to cook a feast for his family and friends, whether it be by grill or by stove. Always sharing his food, his love for the Chicago Cubs and the Iowa State Cyclones, he lived an enriched life at home with his family. His charcoal BBQ chicken legs were legendary.

A nature lover at heart, Michael relished the time he spent camping at Dutton's Cave in West Union, the very place where he and Heidi exchanged

their wedding vows. Dutton's Cave campground came alive through the years with many days and nights of campfires and fellowship with special friends who became honorary family. Cooking, talking, listening to tunes and dancing under the stars were medicine to his soul.

Music was another of Michael's passions, with the Grateful Dead holding a special place in his heart. He was fortunate enough to see them live in concert, an experience he often recalled with great fondness. Michael's love of music paved the way to many cherished friendships. To quote from the Grateful Dead's Box of Rain lyrics, "And it's just a box of rain, or a ribbon for your hair, such a long, long time to be gone, and a short time to be there."

Those who knew Michael will remember him for his friendly demeanor, those brilliant blue eyes, and his infectious smile. He had a unique ability to see the good in every situation, to persevere in adversity, and to lift the spirits of those around him.

Michael is survived by his loving wife, Heidi of Fredericksburg; one daughter, Micah Showers of Fredericksburg; one son, Gabriel Showers of Fredericksburg; one sister, Ann (Stephen) Smith of West Des Moines; and many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by many friends he considered to be his chosen family and who called him brother.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, William "B.J." Showers Jr.



Photo courtesy of Dennis Pagel

Fourth-graders get banking lesson

Security State Bank's Dustin Lewis visited New Hampton Elementary School fourth-grade students recently and shared information about banking.

The students learned many things about how important it is to know math when working in a bank. They also learned that saving money is a great thing to start at an early age.

Roger Meirick, 62

Roger Meirick, age 62 of Alta Vista, passed away unexpectedly of natural causes on Monday, May 8, 2022, in Elma.

Funeral arrangements are being made with

Conway-Markham Funeral Home in Elma.

Online condolences may be left at www.conwaymarkham.com. For further information please contact 641-393-2461.

Property Transfers

Patrick R. McDermott, Patrick McDermott and Laura M. McDermott to Mathew Paulus and Casey Paulus; PARCEL 2022-56 IN SUBDIV L2 NE SE 12-95-13.

Lavern Tilkes and Connie Tilkes to Mark A. Huegel; PARCEL G N3/4 SW NW 20-95-13 S495' W660' N3/4 EX W200' SW NW 20-96-13 N3/4 EX SW NW 20-96-13.

Nick Speltz Rentals LLC and Nick Speltz to Speltz & Wernimont LLC; E110' N85' S132' NEW HAMPTON FAIRVIEW ADDITION Block: 1 E132' N132' NEW HAMPTON FAIRVIEW ADDITION Block: 1.

Michael Murray to Brian A. Siple and Carole A. Siple; PARCEL D SW SE 12-94-12.

Tracy J. Quigley and

Angela M. Quigley to The Office Again LLC and The Office Again LLC; W25-1.2' E35' FREDERICKSBURG NO ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 10.

Randy Flatjord and Vicki Flatjord to Bryce W. Druvenga and Amanda A. Druvenga; PARCEL 2018-6 NE NW 32-97-12.

Anna M. Marvin EST and Lawrence Marvin EX to Ron Ferch; EX SE6' NASHUA GREELEYS ADDITION NUMBER 1 Lot 6 Block: 1.

Suzanne L. Whitman to Precision of New Hampton Inc.; PT S12R N20R W16R WHWY EX N35' NW NW 18-95-12.

Brett Bright and Desiree Bright to Robert Lloyd Zubrod; N55' W1/2 S1/2 NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 9 S11'W1/2 NASHUA SMITHS

ADDITION Lot: 9 N9' W1/2 NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 8.

Brett Bright and Desiree Bright to Robert Lloyd Zubrod; N55' W1/2 S1/2 NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 9 S11' W1/2 NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 9 N9' W1/2 NASHUA SMITHS ADDITION Lot: 8.

Thomas F. Berst and Marlys W. Berst to Thomas F. Berst and Marlys W. Berst; LAWLER NO ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 20 LAWLER NO ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 20.

Thomas F. Berst and Marlys W. Berst to Daniel W. Berst, Tamara Lickteig, Thomas F. Berst LE and Marlys W. Berst LE; LAWLER NO ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 20 LAWLER NO ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 20.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Nashua park to get nice addition

Workers begin another day last week putting together what will be the Baldwin Bandshell in Nashua's Cedar View Park. The bandshell is expected to be ready to use by the time the city holds its annual town festival, Water Over the Dam Days, next month.

Protecting your sexual health is as easy as:

TALK • TEST • TREAT



TALK

Talk with your partner before having sex. Talk about when you were last tested and suggest getting tested together.

Talk to your healthcare provider about your sex life and ask what STI tests you should be getting and how often.

TEST

Get tested! It's the only way to know for sure if you have an STI.

Many STIs don't cause any symptoms, so you could have one and not know.

If you're not comfortable talking to your regular provider about STIs, find a clinic that provides confidential testing that is free or low cost.

TREAT

All STIs are treatable. If you test positive for an STI, work with your healthcare provider to get the correct treatment.

Ask about partner services to get your partner tested and treated.

Avoid having sex until you and your sex partner both complete treatment.

Public Health IOWA HHS

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of May 7 1948 (75 years ago)

In a matter of hours the local Chamber of Commerce received donations totaling eight hundred nine dollars and fifty cents to be turned over to the neighboring town of Ionia. Solicitors simply mentioned the purpose of the drive and the local merchants willingly participated.

At a meeting Tuesday of the Board of Governors of the Chamber of Commerce, it was decided to turn the collected money over to the mayor of Ionia, C.D. Wilde to be used by him for community purposes.

A business transaction was completed this past week whereby Dale Hutcheson and Virgil Lehman bought out the interest of A. K. Leichtman in Leichtman's Dairy.

They will continue to carry on the business as in the past and will appreciate the continued patronage of all old customers and welcome new customers.

1973 (50 years ago)

The Fourth Annual Patrick McGrane Scholarship has been awarded to Gregory J. Budweg of New Hampton, a senior at New Hampton High School.

Announcement of the selection of young Budweg for the \$500 award was announced this week by W.H. Hartman Company, publisher of the Waterloo Courier.

The scholarship is presented each year to a graduating senior in memory of the late Patrick McGrane, who as a student at the New Hampton school, died in 1969 while on a trip for newspaper carrier boys sponsored by the Waterloo Courier. Gregory is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Budweg of New Hampton.

On sale at Gibson's For Mother's Day: Pocket Size Radio, \$4.77; Electric Roaster, \$25.27; Trendsetter Wigs, \$8.97; Nylon Gowns, \$3.47; Peignor Set, Gown and Neglige, \$4.77; Panty Hose, 77 cents; Body Suits, \$3.77.

1998 (25 years ago)

One of the best kept secrets in the New Hampton Industrial Park is Custom Food Processors International, Inc.

The company not only has added a new line but is in the process of expanding their facilities by adding 45,000 square feet to add capacity for a new dryer. This will increase the size of the facility to 123,000 feet with a total of 79 persons employed.

This fall, Bob and Jane Manges will observe 25 years in business at Manges Jewelry Store. Bob and Jane are the fifth owners of the store,

which dates back to the late 1800s.

The jewelry store was originally located in the Wilkins Block beside the Wilkins Drug Store, in what is now the west section of Bennett Pharmacy. Many local residents will remember the store being between Ugland's Sweet Shop and Hauth Drug.

The years in the store have not been without excitement. In the early 1980s, they were robbed by Gypsies. Kathy Hackman is a part-time employee.

2013 (10 years ago)

Kaylee Wolfe's latest artwork will be displayed at the entrance of the Mercy Medical Center-New Hampton Birth Center.

It is a painting depicting stages of pregnancy, a watercolor that shows silhouettes of a woman who is in her first, third, fifth, seventh and ninth months of pregnancy.

Wolfe, a junior, partnered with her art instructor, Dave Prehm, to complete the work requested by the hospital's public relations coordinator, Jennifer Monteith.

A new record was set in the 4x800 meter relay during the Upper Iowa Conference meet, where the Turkey Valley girls placed third of the 11 schools.

The team consisted of Kirsten Huinker, Stephanie Martin, Allie Njus and Olivia Reicks. The old mark, set by Lisa Croatt, Susan Hawkins, Steph Costigan and Rose Speltz, stood for 27 years. It was 10:01.6 and the new record is 10:01.16.

2018 (5 years ago)

The weather did not cooperate in the beginning of the New Hampton girls golf season and it's thrown one more curveball at the Chickasaws recently.

Yet New Hampton is still unbeaten after topping North Fayette 176-185 on Friday to cap a hectic two weeks and heading into the postseason on a roll.

At Clermont, Allison Nuss fired a 36 to break her nine-hole school record by a stroke. Up next is the Northeast Iowa Conference tournament and then on to postseason.

An organization that has grown by proverbial leaps and bounds during this decade will hand out thousands of dollars to graduating New Hampton High School seniors.

It's actually a two-part program, first will come the Dollars for Scholars scholarships and that will be followed by other non-Dollars for Scholars-affiliated scholarships and awards. The Dollars for Scholars scholarships total \$217,000.

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Democrats' state chair returns home, acknowledges party has work to do

BY BOB STEENSON
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Rita Hart, the Iowa Democratic Party chair, doesn't mince words. Times have been tough lately for the party. Party faithful are discouraged. They wonder if Iowa can ever be brought back to the purple or even blue state it once was.

The answer, she said during a visit to her home town earlier this week, is "yes."

With a lot of hard work and focused effort, getting the right candidates and the right message and bringing former reliable Democratic supporters back into the fold, the "D's" can start again winning elections, she told a group of about three dozen people Monday evening.

Rita Hart, a Charles City native who is now the Iowa state Democratic Party chair, talks with about three dozen people at a visit Monday night at Aroma's Coffee in Charles City about how to bring the party back from recent electoral losses. Press photo by Bob Steenson

Hart, who grew up a Rottinghaus on a farm near Charles City and now lives on a farm near Wheatland in Clinton County, has been the state Democratic Party chair since January.

She talked about a wide range of issues at the Aroma's gathering, including the party's recent past and what she said is its hopeful future; how, she said, Republican candidates' messages in the last election did not match their actions in office; and the Democratic Party's plans for the 2024 presidential caucuses.

Many Democrats were stunned by the depth of the party's state losses in the 2022 election, failing to win even one of the four U.S. House seats up for bid, losing all statewide Iowa elected administrative offices except for one (that of re-elected Auditor Rob Sand, who was also at the gathering in Charles City Monday evening), and with Republicans winning super majorities in the Legislature.

And that was in spite of Democrats performing better than expected nationally.

Hart was a twice-elected state senator before being picked by Fred Hubble as his running mate in the race for governor and lieutenant governor in 2018. After Hubble lost to Kim Reynolds, Hart ran in 2020 for the U.S. House of Representatives in Iowa District 2, losing to Mariannette Miller-Meeks by six votes — the closest margin in U.S. House history,



Bob Steenson/Charles City Press

Rita Hart, a Charles City native who is now the Iowa state Democratic Party chair, talks with about three dozen people during a visit to her hometown Monday night.

she said.

Hart told a story that she has been using at speaking engage-

ments across the state, about how when they were growing up the nine Rottinghaus children would be taken out by their father to help pick up rocks in the fields, and how it felt like a pointless task because there would always be more rocks coming to the surface the next year.

But each child, no matter how big or small, had a role to play, to pick up their rocks they could handle and to help out when it took more than one person to remove a rock, she said.

And after they finished, their father told them to look back at the field and see the difference they had made, how each rock removed was one fewer to dent a disk, muck up a piece of

machinery or stop the combine. "That's how I look at this job," she said about her role as chair of the state Democratic Party. "It's going to take all of us.

"But we all know how to work. We all know how important it is, and nothing worthwhile comes about without hard work. And what can you think of that is more worthwhile than turning this state around?"

In addition to the traditional things like fundraising, recruiting good candidates, organizing and getting their message out, they need to empower the county party organizations, she said.

"I'm a true believer that we have let the counties kind of wither on the vine," she said.

"Here's something that happened last election that we just can't have happen again, and that is that we did not get our reliable Democratic vote. The best example of that is (former longtime state attorney general) Tom Miller. How many people regret that we didn't get Tom Miller re-elected?" she asked.

"If we look at the results, he lost by about 27,000 votes. And we had 92,000-some votes of Democrats who dropped off, who did not vote in this election," she said.

People are getting tired of politics and the fighting between parties, she said. Many have become convinced it doesn't matter who is elected, and that's a message that Republicans have encouraged, because the poorer the turnout, the better chance they have to win.

"We've got to do better, and I really believe that's what we have to do at the county level, is empower the counties to do a better job of getting out that reliable Democratic vote, so then the campaigns can come in and work on the persuadables, and the less reliable Democrats, and the Republicans who are reasonable. Then the campaigns

can focus on that because they know that the county party structure's got that under control," Hart said.

A woman asked Hart if she thinks Iowa has changed fundamentally when it comes to its political leanings.

"It does feel like that," Hart said. "It totally feels like that. I am hopeful that that is not true. I think when you look at your day-to-day life it seems like it's not true when you recognize that good things happen every day."

She said people still care about the things that affect their lives, like schools and jobs and health care, and those are issues that Democrats are strongest on.

Hart said people were excited to see her take on the role of state party chair because she is a farmer, and the Democrats have struggled with the rural vote, not just nationally but even in Iowa lately.

"Here's the reality. Who, besides the Democratic Party, has fought harder for the middle class and for working class and for small towns and for rural people? It's the Democrats that have done that," she said.

The woman who asked the question continued, "It's crazy to have a Legislature that is so obsessed with these really mean-spirited taking people's freedoms away, targeting people who are already vulnerable. It's so mean-spirited."

Hart said, "These Republican legislators are very much extreme, I believe, in comparison to the common person.

"If you look at the campaign ads last time, did you see any campaign ads that said, 'We're Republican and we're going after public dollars and putting them into private schools'? Did you see any ads that said, 'We're going to go after women's reproductive rights and we're going to take them completely away'? Did you see that? No," she said.

"If they had told their real intentions, maybe the election wouldn't have come out the same, because I think fundamentally we have more in common with folks than it feels like we do," she said.

Regarding the presidential precinct caucuses, Hart said the Democratic Party was not going to let the Republicans in the Legislature tell them how to run their own party process.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

May 1, 2023

The Board convened on Monday, May 1, 2023, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski 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, EMS Director Joel Knutson, Bridget Edson, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Deputy Zach Nobsisch, Assessor Raymond Armel, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Kathy Shekleton, Nashua Mayor Alex Anthoner, Custodian Dave Gorman

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Hackman to approve the agenda for May 1, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from April 24, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: No public comment

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RFP going out for the Emergency Medical Services third ambulance with changes. Roll Call: Ayes-Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwin-

ske Nay-Hackman.

Discuss contract with Motorola for body and car cameras and tabled it till next week when Chickasaw County Attorney can review it.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve Resolution 05-01-23-33 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-7 and 2023-8 ALL in the NW1/4 of section 10, all in Township 94 NORTH, Range 13 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, ON THE 1ST DAY of May, 2023 at a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-7 and 2023-8 ALL in the NW1/4 of section 10, all in Township 94 NORTH, Range 13 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa was presented.

WHEREAS, the minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-7 and 2023-8 ALL in the NW1/4 of section 10, all in Township 94 NORTH, Range 13 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa Has now been considered and should be approved. NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa that said Minor Subdivision Plat be approved, accepted and the Chairman is hereby directed to certify this Resolution of Approval. PASSED AND APPROVED on

this 1st DAY of MAY, 2023. Ayes: /ss/ Jacob Hackman, Scott Cerwinski, Steve Breitbach, Travis Suckow. Chair Matthew Kuhn Nays: None. ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Hackman to provide \$50,000.00 assistance for Nashua Dam out of ARPA pending public hearing on budget amendment. Roll Call: Aye-Cerwinski, Hackman, Suckow Nays-Breitbach, Kuhn.

Discussion on City of New Hampton's electricity bill for Chickasaw Heritage Building Center and city water.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve and authorize chair's signature for Cost Advisory Services, Inc contract. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion on a committee for updating county handbook.

Committee Assignments Supervisor Hackman CSS April 26, 2023

Motion by Breitbach seconded by Cerwinski to adjourn at 10:11 AM. Roll Call: All Aye. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Auditor

No. 22984 05/11/23 5/12/23

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IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY

Patricia Smith, Plaintiff,

V.

Karl Harden, Floyd Smith, Joelle Smith, Kathy Harden a/k/a Kathy Thompson, David Thompson, Theresa Harden, and All Unknown Surviving Heirs of Patricia Smith, Defendants.,

CASE NO. EQCV004407 ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT: All Unknown Surviving Heirs of Patricia Smith

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 that the Court perfect an Agreement Regarding Easements dated April 21, 2021 and ratified by Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Easements dated April 21, 2021 recorded May 6, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021-1003 (together, the "Easement") encumbering the following described real estate:

The Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section No. Thirty-three (33), Township No. Ninety-seven (97) North, Range Twelve (12), West of the 5th P.M., in Chickasaw County, Iowa (the "Property").

The petition further prays that the Court enter an Order partitioning real estate for approval of easement conveyance by the life tenant (Plaintiff) and the Known Expectant Contingent Remaindermen (Defendants Karl Harden, Floyd Smith, Kathy Harden a/k/a Kathy Thompson and Theresa Harden) for this action and that the proceeds from the Easement be directed to the Plaintiff throughout her life estate interest in the

Property and thereafter, subject to the order of the court until the right thereto becomes fully vested by the Defendants as their interest may appear.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is Larry L. Anfinson, 726 W. 4th Street, Waterloo, IA 50702. The attorney's phone number is (319) 235-9507; facsimile number: (319) 233-8041.

You must serve a motion or answer upon the Plaintiff within 20 days after the third publication of this notice, such date being June 14, 2023. You must file your motion or answer with the Clerk of Court for Chickasaw County, Iowa. If you do not, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Chickasaw County utilizes electronic filing. Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 provide the general rules and information on electronic filing and are available online at: https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile/. Please refer to Chapter 16, Rules Pertaining to the Use of the Electronic Document Management System, Division VI, Protection of Personal Privacy for an explanation of responsibility and procedures for protecting personal information in court filings.

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IMPORTANT: YOU ARE ADVISED TO SEEK LEGAL ADVICE AT ONCE TO PROTECT YOUR INTERESTS.

May 25, 2023 Date of Third Publication Iowa Judicial Branch Case No. EQCV004407 County Chickasaw

case Title SMITH PATRICIA VS KARL HARDEN ET AL

You must file your Appearance and Answer on the Iowa Judicial Branch eFile System, unless the attached Petition and Original Notice contains a hearing date for your appearance, or unless the court has excused you from filing electronically (see Iowa Court Rule 16.302).

Register for the eFile System at www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile to file and view documents in your case and to receive notices from the court.

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Court filings are public documents and may contain personal information that should always be kept confidential. For the rules on protecting personal information, refer to Division VI of chapter 16 of the Iowa Court Rules and to the Iowa Judicial Branch website at www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/representing-yourself/protect-personal-information/.

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Date Issued 04/25/2023 10:41:50 AM District Clerk of Court or by Clerk's Designee of Chickasaw County Stephanie Schueth

No.22975 05/11/23 05/18/23 05/25/23

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES N. SPELTZ,

Deceased.CASE NO. ESPR003107 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS,

AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of James N. Speltz, Deceased, who died on or about March 10, 2023:

You are hereby notified that on April 11, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of James N. Speltz, deceased, bearing date of March 29, 2010, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Timothy R. Speltz and Mary Mikota have been appointed Executors 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 to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be

forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by 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.

Dated April 28, 2023. Executors of Estate: Timothy R. Speltz, 107 E. Rogers St. #162, Lawler, IA 52154 and Mary Mikota, 677 Trumpeter Trl, De Pere, WI 54115

Michael K. Kennedy, ICIS#: AT0004194, Attorney for Executors, Kennedy & Kennedy, 12 E. Main St., PO Box 406, New Hampton, IA 50659

Date of second publication 05/11/23 Probate Code Section 304.00/00/23

No. 22952 05/04/23 05/11/23

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that on May 15, 2023 at 7:00 P.M., the City Council of the City of New Hampton will conduct a public hearing at New Hampton City Hall, 112 E. Spring Street, New Hampton, IA 50659, for the purpose of obtaining citizen comment concerning the following: A proposed application by the City of New Hampton for a Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA-RD). The proposed HPG application would request funds for rehabilitation of an estimated 5 to 10 homes owned and occupied by low-income and very low-income residents. Each approved homeowner would be eligible for a grant up to \$20,000. Residents are encouraged to attend to provide their comments. Additional HPG funds would be requested for grant administration in an amount not to exceed 18% of the total HPG award. The City expects to enter into a contract with a qualified entity for

grant administration services. If the City approves the proposed application for submittal, the City would commit local matching funds from the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) Set-Aside Fund in a ratio up to 1:1 for each dollar of HPG funds requested, and additional local funds may be committed for grant administration by a qualified entity. The total funds committed from TIF LMI Set-Aside funds and/or other local sources, including matching funds for owner-occupied rehabilitation and funds for administration, would not exceed \$52,000.

In addition to holding a public hearing, the City of New Hampton is requesting written public comments on the proposed HPG application. Comments must be submitted by Friday, May 26, 2023 at 5:00 pm. Written comments should be addressed to City Clerk Karen Clemens at 112 E. Spring Street, New Hampton, IA 50659 or nhcityclerk@gmail.com.

No. 22982 05/11/23

Legal Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 130 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS TO RECYCLING CHARGES

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Ionias, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 106.08(2) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ionias, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

2. Recycling. The fee for recycling is \$18.00 per quarter, payable with the combined utility bill.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the 1st day of May 2023, and approved this 1st day of May 2023.

Randy Taylor, Mayor ATTEST: Donna Geerts, City Clerk

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 130 on the 11th day of May 2023.

Donna Geerts, City Clerk

No. 22974 05/11/23

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The Lawler City Council met in regular session on May 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Mark Muetterthies presided. Council members present: King, Izer, Croell and Scheidel

Council members absent: Kuehner

Others present: Jay Uhlenhake, Renee Huinker, Jane Lynch, Stephanie Tangen, Deb Speltz, Gail Stammeyer, Steve Lynch and Ryan Izer

Motion made by Izer to approve the Agenda.

Second by King. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to approve the previous minutes and current bills with addition of Mark Kriener bill.

Second by King. All Ayes. Motion passed.

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Motion made by Croell to transfer funds from LOST Fund to General Fund in amount of \$50,000.00. Second by Scheidel.

Ayes: Croell, Scheidel, Izer and King

Nays: None Motion passed.

Deb Speltz and Gail Stammeyer with the Crane Creek Trail committee would like the city permission to extend the current trail in Highland Park. The committee would like to extend and outlet on the corner to McHugh St.

Motion made by Croell to allow

Crane Creek Trail Committee to extend the trail at Highland Park to McHugh Street. Second by Izer.

Ayes: Croell, Scheidel, Izer and King

Nays: None Motion Passed

Deb Speltz also stated the Irish Fest 5k money raised would like to go to the City to update the trail around the pond on Highway 24. Crane Creek Trail will to Roger Dreckmen regarding the 10 year mitigation with wetlands from state. Jay will also talk with Roger.

Motion made by Croell to open Public Hearing at 7:15pm for Public Opinion regarding Library Expansion. Second by Izer.

Ayes: Croell, Izer, Scheidel and King

Naye: None Motion Passed.

Renee Huinker, President of Library Board explained she had a State Consultant look over the plans the Library Board would like to expand. They will need an architect. The board will also be signing up for a Utilizing Grant of \$3,000. She is working with other libraries that have expanded library. The State Consultant also took pictures. This would involve taking the sink and cupboards from the room where the library would expand.

Motion made by Croell to close Public Hearing at 7:27pm. Second by Izer

Ayes: Croell, Izer, Scheidel and King

Nays: None Motion Passed

Motion made by Croell to transfer the Community Center room to Lawler Public Library pending the agreement to transfer room to library. Second by Scheidel.

Ayes: Croell, Scheidel, King and Izer

Nays: None Motion passed.

Nuisance letters were discussed. The city has had one property owner abating the property owned. Motion made by King to start the next step of the abatement process as printed within the City Code of Ordinances. Second by Croell.

Ayes: Kind, Croell, Scheidel and Izer

Nays: None Motion passed.

Suzette stated a Budget Amendment will need to happen for the Tree Committee for the Community Beautification Fund.

Motion made by Scheidel to set Public Hearing June 5, 2023 at 7:15pm. Second by Izer

Ayes: Scheidel, Izer, Croell and Izer

Nays: None Motion passed.

Motion made by Izer to approve the Brite Spot liquor license. Second by King.

Ayes: Scheidel, Izer, Croell and King

Nays: None Motion passed.

Motion made by King to approve the Irish Fest liquor license. Second by

Croell.

Ayes: Scheidel, Izer, Croell and King

Nays: None Motion passed

Motion made by Scheidel to approve Bucky's liquor license. Second by King.

Ayes: Scheidel, Izer, Croell and King

Nays: None Motion passed.

Jay will tighten volleyball nets at Highland Park. Ryan Izer let the council know the Volleyball League should start Wednesday, May 31, 2023.

Deb Speltz let the council know Irish Fest may donate for basketball hoops for Highland and Croell Park. Dale King has been cleaning up at Junko Park. Mary Gruenberg had been working on the utility shed at Junko Park.

Mark made a comment; he has talked with John Cuvelier regarding the city insurance increase. John will be at next council meeting to discuss

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It takes a team to make Senior Life Solutions a success

Program's goal is to help older residents struggling with depression, anxiety

By Bob Fenske
editor@nhtrib.com
The three women sat at a table in the Senior Life Solutions room at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center, and it didn't take long to realize that Ashley Evans, Kathleen Huegel and Mandy Krueger shared a bond.

If you wanted to see folks who are passionate about their work, you found the right room on this day.

Their charge is simple: Help those individuals, usually 65 or older, who are experiencing depression, anxiety or both.

"It's a normal part of aging," Evans said, "and that's just the reality. But they also come from an age group that has worked through so many things that it's hard to ask for help. We tell our people over and over that it's OK, that we're here to help them through this process."

Each of the three women have their own jobs.

Evans, a registered nurse, is the program's director. Huegel serves as Senior Life Solutions' therapist. And Krueger is the office patient coordinator who does a little bit of everything — from providing the administrative and clerical services the



The Senior Life Solutions team — (from left) therapist Kathleen Huegel, office coordinator Mandy Krueger and the program's director, registered nurse Ashley Evans — find their work with older residents to be rewarding.

program staff needs to assist patients with their needs. But, in a sense, that bond

— that desire to help their patients through a difficult part of their lives — means they work as one.

"For me, sometimes the best part of my day is just talking with the people who come here," Krueger said. "We'll talk about anything and everything, maybe it has nothing to do with the program, but when that person leaves the room, they feel better and guess what? So do I."

It's been a unique position for Evans, whose nursing career has run the gamut. She's



done almost everything when it comes to her profession, but serving as the director of Senior Life Solutions has been, in a word, rewarding.

"You get into nursing to help people," she said, "and I'm not saying I didn't do that before, but here, I feel like we're making a real difference. To watch the progress people make, I mean, I'm sitting here and I have goosebumps just thinking about it. It might take time, but people leave here with a whole new outlook. It's an amazing process."

The first step, of course, is to realize that there is an issue.

"One of the things we know is that the symptoms of depression and anxiety so often go unnoticed or are overlooked," the therapist said. "Before people come to us, they just figure it's just what aging is. Those feelings, they think, are just going to be with them for the rest of their lives."

She pointed out that the onset of depression or anxiety is caused by a major life change, and for older residents, let's be honest, are tackling a number of major life changes. There's retirement. There are their children who are building their own family lives. There

are the loss of some physical abilities. There may be a new home environment or a loss of loved ones.

"Let's face it, what we can do physically at 65 or 70 isn't the same as when we were 20, 30 or 40," she said. "That's just one of the many transitions older people go through, and those transitions can be painful and difficult."

And that's where Senior Life Solutions steps into the fray.

Those who take part in the program are first given a comprehensive assessment and then patients meet up to three times per week in what Evans terms a "really supportive, encouraging" group environment. They also meet with a psychiatrist — Dr. Mark Lassise — to see if medication is needed.

Even after they "graduate," patients still can access Senior Life Solutions through after-care planning and programs.

"We love staying engaged with our people," Evans said, "even if we don't see them three times a week like we have for a while."

One of the key components of the program is the group sessions, and the reason is simple.

"So many people think they're the only ones going through this," Huegel said, "and then they come here and they realize, 'Hey, I'm not the

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Nurse practitioner: Women, take care of yourself first

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Despite everything that women do daily, it is important that they take the time for themselves. It is important for women to have a yearly wellness exam with their healthcare provider to review their preventative health maintenance, including immunizations, PAP smears, mammograms, DEXA scan (bone density test), and colonoscopies. For a healthy woman, without a family history of breast cancer, we recommend women start their yearly mammograms at the age of 40. Healthcare guidelines indicate women

start their PAP smear screenings at age 21. DEXA (bone density test) screenings are indicated for women who are postmenopausal, so be sure to ask your healthcare provider when the time is right for you! Also, new guidelines indicate colonoscopy screenings start at age 45, a change from previous recommendations of age 50. Another important aspect of women's health month is heart health. Did you know that heart disease and stroke claim the life of one woman every 80 seconds? However, less than half of women recognize heart disease

as their leading cause of death. Traditional risk factors of heart disease include: hypertension, tobacco use, diabetes, obesity, and family history. But did you know that increased stress, lack of sleep, and anxiety/depression put a woman at higher risk for heart disease? Unfortunately, many women are under increased stress due to their jobs or family situations and it is important that these risk factors are identified and addressed appropriately. So, I am asking you to please schedule your annual wellness exam with your local healthcare provider to review any

risk factors you may have that would put you at a higher risk of heart disease and to ensure you are up to date with your preventative health maintenance. As women, it seems as though we are always quick to put others first, but now is the time to set time aside for yourself! ***** Lacey McGrath is a nurse practitioner at MercyOne New Hampton Family Clinic.



Program serves residents within 30-mile radius of New Hampton

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only one.' That's important to know they're walking the same path as other people." In those group sessions, patients share their personal experiences, their strengths and their weaknesses, but all along, they're boosting their self-esteem and confidence. "Those relationships we see people build with other people facing the same challenges are key and valuable," Huegel said. "What we see is that participants learn new skills to support their mental health wellness for the remainder of their lives." Senior Life Solutions' New Hampton program serves residents that live in a 30-mile radius of the city, and Evans encouraged those struggling with depression or anxiety to reach out to her or her staff by calling 641-394-1627. "Anyone can make a referral to the program," she said. "We're going to do everything we can do to make sure people get the help they need and get it in a safe environment. Let's face it, it's scary sometimes to ask for help, but trust me, the outcomes we get to see here, they tell us it's the best thing you can do for yourself or for one of your loved ones." As her co-worker talked, Huegel couldn't help but smile. "I agree with everything she said, and plus, you're going to meet some fun people along the way. Trust me, this program is so worth it."



To all of our nurses ... thank you!

National Nurse's Week comes to an end on Friday, but as you can see from the pictures on this page, our nurses — including those at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center — do great work throughout the year and we thank them for the care they provide all of us.



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NH GIRLS GOLF: FROM 20

of the Chickasaws – qualifying for the state tournament for the sixth-straight season.

The first round of regional play gets under at New Hampton Country Club this Friday. The state takes the top two finishers in each regional in Class 2A – three teams if the host finishes in the top two – to the regional finals on Wednesday, May 17.

That state qualifier will take place at Bear Creek Golf Course in Forest City – the same course New Hampton qualified for state at last spring.

“We just gotta relax and play golf like we’re capable of playing,” said Olson, in his 13th season at NH. “They did some good things. They did enough to win.”

The temperature was the muggiest day of the year so far as rain in the morning made for a hot and humid start to the postseason for New Hampton.

“It was very toasty,” said Lydia Olson about the 80 percent humidity with next to no wind out on the 18-hole course. “It was just humid.”

Lydia Olson is the lone senior on her father’s squad and is now a three-time all-conference performer after firing an 18-hole score of 100 – which included two holes on the back nine where the Chickasaw carded double-digit strokes (14 on Hole No. 13 and 11 strokes on Hole No. 17). Olson’s front-nine total

amounted to a 38. Her score was the final tally out of the top four scores that are carded for the team aggregate.

“It was rough, but it counted,” said Lydia Olson.

It wasn’t Olson’s best, nor did her team play to its full potential – but it was enough to reel in another NEIC trophy.

“It was Waverly’s home course and still not with our best – we still beat them,” said Lydia Olson.

W-SR junior Brenna Bodensteiner was the overall medalist after she separated herself from sophomore Chickasaw Lauren Nuss on the final two holes – No. 17 and 18. Bodensteiner went bogey, par. Nuss carded a double bogey, bogey to end up with a 81, two strokes back of Bodensteiner’s 79.

“Last year I kind of just was in the shadows and just trying to keep up with Sanja (Noehl) and Lydia,” said Nuss. “This year with me being No. 1, it’s just been trying to stay consistent all season.”

NH junior Kinsli Dahl became a two-time all-conference golfer as she tied for fourth place with the Go-Hawks’ Mady Mummelthel with a 96. She talked about Monday’s emotional rollercoaster.

“Even though we all had bad holes – I broke into some tears. I heard Lauren break into some tears. What stands us apart from everybody is we can get it back together and still walk

like a champion at the end of the day – keep our head up and just realize that hole was over with and just keep playing,” said Dahl.

Bottom line – NH knows it can play better and might have to on Friday when it once again squares off against defending state champ Sumner-Fredericksburg. The Cougars are in New Hampton’s first-round regional bracket and topped the Chickasaws last year to claim the 2A state crown.

NH topped S-F by three strokes in a triangular last week Thursday at the NHCC – 350-353. W-SR finished third (385).

“We gotta play the game we know we can play,” said Lydia Olson.

“We’re going to be fine. We’re all a great group of golfers. We have depth that a lot of other teams don’t have. That’s something that sets us apart from other teams.”

Five out of Eric Olson’s top six golfers were bestowed with all-league recognition as freshman Alivia Geerts (100) and sophomore Maycen Hackman (102) finished as one of the top 15 individuals in the six-team field.

Geerts was happy to be a part of another New Hampton NEIC winner.

“It’s just real exciting to get to do this,” said Geerts. “I’ve never experienced anything like this.”

Nuss, who dropped a hole-in-one in the triangular on Thursday at home on Hole No.

7, knows what is at stake in the coming weeks. This postseason stretch run holds the most weight – something New Hampton has thrived in over the course of the last decade.

“This year we’re going to really have to step up and play with the pressure because we can’t let it scare us, especially in postseason,” said Nuss. “I think we do a great job of that. We just need to stay out of our heads and not let a bad shot ruin our whole round.”

Chickasaw junior Taryn Smith (113) just missed out on all-conference honors as she placed 16th individually.

New Hampton celebrated its victory with a championship-winning dessert that definitely hit the spot on a warm, yet productive spring day.

“Obviously, if we wouldn’t have won it would have been disappointing,” said Eric Olson. “Our season goes on. Luckily, we pulled it out and we can go get ice cream with sprinkles now.”

NEW HAMPTON 364,
WATERLOO COLUMBUS 461
Medalist - Lauren Nuss (NH) 73.
New Hampton scores - Nuss 39-34-73, Kinsli Dahl 46-40-86, Alivia Geerts 56-51-107, Maycen Hackman 53-54-107, Lydia Olson 50-48-98, Taryn Smith 55-64-119.

New Hampton JV scores - Brenna Flattum 60, Katherine Brincks 54.

NEW HAMPTON TRIANGULAR
Team scores - New Hampton 350, Sumner-Fredericksburg 353, Waverly-Shell Rock 385

Medalist - Chloe Bolte (SF) 38-34-72.
New Hampton scores - Nuss



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New Hampton senior Lydia Olson accepts her medal after the NEIC tournament on Monday.

38-39-77, Dahl 42-43-85, Geerts 44-44-88, Olson 54-46-100, Hackman 46-54-100, Smith 55-53-108.

New Hampton JV scores - Molly Wegner 49, Kira Tenge 54, Flattum 59, Brincks 70.

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New Hampton scores - Nuss 38-43-81, Dahl 48-48-96, Geerts 48-52-100, Olson 43-59-102, Hackman 52-55-107, Smith 56-57-113.

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The City Council of Ionia met in regular session Monday, May 1, 2023, at 7:00 pm in Ionia City Hall. Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner present. Also present were Clerk Donna Geerts, Brian Sigler, Mike and Lisa Wiltse. Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order. Motion by Day, seconded by Havner to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Crooks, seconded by Denner to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2023, meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried. Motion by Day, seconded by Havner to approve the claims. All voted aye. Motion carried. Alliant Energy.....\$1285.00 Black Hills Energy.....\$276.14 Library Acct.....\$2308.20 Payroll.....\$1794.81 941 deposit.....\$675.68 IPERS.....\$483.23 Jendro Sanitation, clean up day.....\$661.93 Jendro Sanitation, recycling.....\$580.23 New Hampton Trib, min.....\$106.08 Five Star Coop, chemicals, parts.....\$161.74 Snyder Assoc. eng srvs thru 2.28.23.....\$1234.00 Hawkins, azone.....\$561.77 Mick Gage Plb & Htg, jet storm sewer, Union St.....\$1450.00 LS Supply & Rental, keypad lock.....\$164.40 EH Electric, 21 lights-ball field.....\$11,099.97 Derek Day, gas reimb.....\$14.00

Eurofins, tests.....\$246.10 Total.....\$23,203.28 Total Revenues.....\$43,626.41 RECEIVED,FUND,DISBURSED bank \$29,582.96.General.....\$17,909. \$1,557.96.Road Use.....\$749.15 \$7,867.98.Water.....\$3,681.83 \$4,617.32.Sewer.....\$572.33 \$19.Savings Int Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to approve the monthly financial report. All voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor gave wastewater and water report and welcomed Water / Wastewater Operator Brian Sigler. No public comment. Clerk has submitted the annual SLFRF Compliance Project and Expenditure Report. Motion by Havner, seconded by Geerts to open the public hearing at 7:10 pm for adoption of the proposed Ordinance AMENDING PROVISIONS MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMPENSATION. All voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor asked if there were any oral or written objections or comments. There were no comments or objections. Motion by Crooks and seconded by Day to close public hearing at 7:12 pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Crooks made a motion, seconded by Day to approve the second reading of the proposed ordinance "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMPENSATION " Ordinance No. 129. Roll Call: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner. Nays: None.

Motion carried. Day made a motion, seconded by Denner to suspend the rules requiring that an ordinance be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed, per Iowa Code 380.3, in regard to Ordinance No. 129. Roll Call: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner. Nays: None. Motion carried. Crooks made a motion, seconded by Geerts to approve the final passage and adoption with respect to Ordinance No 129: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMPENSATION " Roll Call: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner. Nays: None. Motion carried. Due to sizing and trees, splash pad would not be able to be installed at the library/city hall property. Library Board did feel if library funds are used it should be installed near library and not at park. Book drop box has been purchased and may look in to purchasing solar furniture. Motion by Geerts, seconded by Day to open the public hearing at 7:15 pm for adoption of the proposed Ordinance. An Ordinance changing the curbside recycling rate to \$18.00 per quarter. All voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor asked if there were any oral or written objections or comments. There were no comments or objections. Motion by Havner and seconded by Crooks to close public hearing at 7:16 pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Day made a motion, seconded by Crooks, to approve the second reading

of the proposed ordinance "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS TO RECYCLING CHARGES" Ordinance No. 130. Roll Call: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner. Nays: None. Motion carried. Crooks made a motion, seconded by Denner to suspend the rules requiring that an ordinance be considered and voted on for passage at two council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed, per Iowa Code 380.3, in regard to Ordinance No. 130. Roll Call: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner. Nays: None. Motion carried. Day made a motion, seconded by Geerts to approve the final passage and adoption with respect to Ordinance No 130: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS TO RECYCLING CHARGES " Roll Call: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Geerts, Havner. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mike and Lisa Wiltse discussed their business of a landscaping supply company, dumping and crushing concrete and selling product at their property at 211 E Prairie Street, Ionia, Iowa. Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance-Chapter 165 - Zoning Regulations was reviewed. Discussion on Ordinance Junk and Junk Vehicles-Chapter 51. Council suggested Mayor contact City Attorney to find out process to take action on property owners who are in violation of this ordinance. Discussion on Ordinance Wa-

ter-Chapter 92-Water Rates. Bills are quarterly and Council/Mayor stated Ordinance should be enforced which reads bills not paid by the 15th day of the 2nd month of the quarter shall be considered delinquent and service shall be discontinued or disconnected. Proposals were reviewed for street concrete repairs from Brummond Construction -cost of \$7,146.00 and street asphalt repairs from Heartland Asphalt, Inc -cost of \$18,050.18. Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to accept the proposals. All voted aye. Motion carried. Lights and poles for ball diamond have been received. Mayor will talk with Eric Hoy about installation and bases for the poles. Consensus of the council to continue with this project. Brian Sigler left at 8:35 pm Day made a motion, seconded by Denner to set public hearing for FY 22/23 budget amendment #2 on June 5, 2023, at 7:10 pm in Ionia City Hall. Ayes: All. Motion carried. Day made a motion, seconded by Crooks, the adoption of RESOLUTION 23-10 SETTING THE SALARIES/WAGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF IONIA FOR THE FY 23/24. Salaries are effective July 1, 2023 Bryan Angell, Maintenance.....\$17.00/hr Mary Jo Parson, Custodian.....\$130.00/mo Donna Geerts, Clerk.....\$670.00/mo Brian Sigler, Water/Wastewater Operator.....\$1000.00/mo India May, Librarian.....\$16.00/hr placement Proj.....13,185.20 CarQuest,Air Filters, Trailer Lights (Fire).....53.29 Chickasaw Co Treasurer,Guard Rail & Ends (Street).....98.00 City Laundering Co.Uniforms (SR ST) Mats, Air Dispenser (SR).....358.00 Croell Inc.Concrete on Linn (Street).....1,481.75 Culligan Water,DI Equipment Rental, Filter (SR) Skid (Custodial).....165.30 Douglas, Ken,April Mileage Reading Meters (61 x \$655) (WA).....39.96 Eurofins,Testing Fees (Sewer).....3,706.56 Hawkeye Exterminating,Pest Control April 2023.....150.00 IA Municipal Solutions LLC Monthly Wastewater Operator Services (SR).....4,333.00 INRCOG,CAT Grant Writing Assistance (Trail).....2,000.00 Iowa One Call,One Calls (Water Sewer).....49.50 Lessin Supply,Supplies (Fire).....21.80 LS Supply & Rental,1X12 Board (Street).....34.29 Marv & Zips Repair,Oil Changes #341, 342 & Pump Skid (Fire).....434.30 Petty Cash,Certified I/O Letters,Recording Fees (Clerk).....72.25 Portage Notebooks,Notebooks (Police).....49.95 Prichard, Todd,Regular Salary.....3,127.00 Richter, Bill,Cleaning Hours April 2023 (29.25 hrs x \$20).....585.00 Sandry Fire,Hose, Inlets, Coat, Pants, Helmet Front (Fire).....4,757.82 Seahase Concrete,Curb Replacement Ash Drive (Street).....1,116.00 Short Elliott Hendrickson,Stormwater Review of DG & High School, Trail Project.....2,067.35 T and K Tractor Repair,2021 Freightliner & 2010 HME Repairs (Fire).....1,202.12 Vern Lauges Auto Center,Repairs to 19 Durang & 14 Charger.....2,334.92 Wayne's Truck Equipment,Replace

The roll call resulted as follows: Ayes: Crooks, Day, Denner, Havner. Nays: None. Abstained: Geerts. Resolution adopted. Day made a motion, seconded by Denner to review and authorize Mayor's signature on 28E Agreement for funding for services between Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation and the City of Ionia for the FY 23/24. All voted aye. Motion carried. Discussed porta pot rental for park. Lisa and Mike Wiltse left at 8:50 pm. Mayor and Clerk will attend CDBG Grant Recipient Training zoom meeting on May 2, 2023. Discussed and reviewed release of funds letter on Contract 23-WS-004-Community Development Block Grant. Jendro will have a holiday May 29, 2023; therefore, trash will be picked up Tuesday, May 30, 2023. Discussion on installing the sign from the bank in the city lot on Main Street. Havner suggested writing a letter to the Inspector General USPS stating City of Ionia would like to have a Post Office building in Ionia. Geerts asked what is needed to be done to move water hydrant at 200 E Union Street. Moved by Day, seconded by Crooks that the meeting adjourn at 9:12 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried. Randy Taylor, Mayor Attest: Donna Geerts, City Clerk

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Legal Notice - Legal Notice

CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY MAY 1, 2023 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, May 1, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schwickerath at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath and Denner. Also in attendance were Tim Pederson, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Megan Baltes, City Attorney Todd Prichard (via telephone) and Brian Laures. Move by Humpal, seconded by Porath; That the consent agenda, be approved. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried. 1.Approve meeting agenda 2.Approve City Council Minutes of April 17, 2023 3.Approve City Claims of \$47,748.85 4.Park & Rec Commission Minutes of April 5, 2023 5.Liquor License: New Horizons - Chamber of Commerce Heartland Days Special Class C Retail Alcohol License (BW) City Clerk Clemens presented Budget Amendment #2 for FY 2022/2023. Moved by Denner, seconded by McDonald; That Resolution No. 6568 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT #2 FOR THE CURRENT BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Speltz; That Resolution No. 6569 RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING WITH UNION #2003 TO PROVIDE PAY INCREASES TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023, be approved.

Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved. Clemens will forward the signed MOU to the Union #2003 steward. Public Works Director Casey Mai presented a proposed updated fee schedule effective July 1, 2023. There are a few proposed changes including the addition of all police department fees. Council discussed the proposed changes and endorsed the revisions. An update for mobile food vendors' applications is requested to ensure the vendor's sales are included in Chickasaw County sales tax reports. Moved by McDonald, seconded by Fisher; That the Ordinance for AMENDING THE CITY OF NEW HAMPTON FEE SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023, receive its first consideration, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Mayor Schwickerath directed the proposed ordinance be on the next regularly scheduled council meeting on May 15, 2023 for its second consideration. PWD Mai has offered the recently vacated water/sewer position to Nick Henningsen as the Water & Sanitary Collection Superintendent. Nick's first day is May 1, 2023. The Mayor and City attorney approved his start date as the same day his hire is approved by council. Moved by Denner, seconded by Porath; That Resolution No. 6570 RESOLUTION HIRING NICK HENNINGSEN AS DEPARTMENT HEAD WATER & SANITARY COLLECTION SUPERINTENDENT AT A SALARY OF \$56,992 AND RECEIVING TWO WEEKS VACATION UPON EMPLOYMENT, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved. City Clerk Karen Clemens requested the approval of an agreement for a new warning siren. As a result of receiving a \$10,000 Community Foundation Grant,

along with the Community Center property tax levy, there are adequate funds available to replace the siren that sits atop the Community center. There may be additional costs which are not part of either bid: removal of existing siren, and a transformer rectifier unit. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Speltz; That Resolution No. 6571 RESOLUTION TO ENTER AGREEMENT WITH FEDERAL SIGNAL SAFETY AND SECURITY SYSTEMS, BLUE VALLEY PUBLIC SAFETY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF WARNING SIREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,472.09, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved. The TRIBE Trail Committee presented an amended Offer to Buy Real Estate Agreement. Megan Baltes explained the two changes made to the agreement. Initially, the Council approved Resolution #6561 in March 2023. This resolution will override #6561. This is needed to complete Phase 3 of the TRIBE Trail. Moved by Porath, seconded by Denner; That Resolution No. 6572 RESOLUTION A RESCINDING RESOLUTION #6561 AND APPROVING AN OFFER TO BUY REAL ESTATE FOR THE TRIBE TRAIL PHASE 3 FROM JOE & PHYLLIS LEIBOLD, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved. Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson presented information she received from INRCOG regarding possible matching housing grant funds. A representative from INRCOG will be in attendance at the May 15th council meeting to present the opportunity to the City Council. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Speltz; That RESOLUTION No. 6573 A RESOLUTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAY 15, 2023 AT 7:00 PM TO DISCUSS THE SCOPE OF WORK AND POSSIBLE FUNDING

REQUIREMENTS FOR HOUSING GRANT FUNDS, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, McDonald, Speltz, Porath, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved. Councilmember McDonald thanked the city departments heads and their staff for continuing to make the city of New Hampton a great place to live. McDonald also requested staff to prepare information for possible payment schedules for the street improvement project that is currently being prepared. The cost estimate for these four street reconstruction projects is \$5,842,641. Staff has scheduled a wastewater treatment plant finance meeting, with the City's industries who have large contributions to the wastewater treatment plant, for Tuesday May 9th, 2023 at 10:30 pm. Moved by Denner, seconded by Speltz; that the meeting adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried. ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk ROBERT SCHWICKERATH, Mayor COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023 7:00 P.M. CITY - WRITTEN SINCE APRIL 17 2023 Rapid Printers,Stamped Window Envelopes.....1,209.96 20/20 Fx,Laptop, Monitors, Mount, Keyboard, Dock (PW).....1,356.00 USPS,Postage for Utility Bills.....141.84 John Deere Financial,Supplies (Street Sewer Police Fire).....301.02 USPS,Postage for Utility Bills.....132.47 Total Written.....3,141.29 CITY - TO BE WRITTEN- 20/20 FX,Transfer Email for Tim (Police).....67.50 Bodensteiner Implement Co.Frontier Box Blade (Street).....1,750.00 Calhoun Burns Associates,Bridge Inspection, E Hamilton Bridge Re-

placement Proj.....13,185.20 CarQuest,Air Filters, Trailer Lights (Fire).....53.29 Chickasaw Co Treasurer,Guard Rail & Ends (Street).....98.00 City Laundering Co.Uniforms (SR ST) Mats, Air Dispenser (SR).....358.00 Croell Inc.Concrete on Linn (Street).....1,481.75 Culligan Water,DI Equipment Rental, Filter (SR) Skid (Custodial).....165.30 Douglas, Ken,April Mileage Reading Meters (61 x \$655) (WA).....39.96 Eurofins,Testing Fees (Sewer).....3,706.56 Hawkeye Exterminating,Pest Control April 2023.....150.00 IA Municipal Solutions LLC Monthly Wastewater Operator Services (SR).....4,333.00 INRCOG,CAT Grant Writing Assistance (Trail).....2,000.00 Iowa One Call,One Calls (Water Sewer).....49.50 Lessin Supply,Supplies (Fire).....21.80 LS Supply & Rental,1X12 Board (Street).....34.29 Marv & Zips Repair,Oil Changes #341, 342 & Pump Skid (Fire).....434.30 Petty Cash,Certified I/O Letters,Recording Fees (Clerk).....72.25 Portage Notebooks,Notebooks (Police).....49.95 Prichard, Todd,Regular Salary.....3,127.00 Richter, Bill,Cleaning Hours April 2023 (29.25 hrs x \$20).....585.00 Sandry Fire,Hose, Inlets, Coat, Pants, Helmet Front (Fire).....4,757.82 Seahase Concrete,Curb Replacement Ash Drive (Street).....1,116.00 Short Elliott Hendrickson,Stormwater Review of DG & High School, Trail Project.....2,067.35 T and K Tractor Repair,2021 Freightliner & 2010 HME Repairs (Fire).....1,202.12 Vern Lauges Auto Center,Repairs to 19 Durang & 14 Charger.....2,334.92 Wayne's Truck Equipment,Replace

Upper Control Arms, Struts, Align (Police).....1,340.00 Ziegler Inc,Yellow Paint (Street).....26.70 Total to be Written.....44,607.56 Plus City Written.....3,141.29 TOTAL TO BE APPROVED.....\$47,748.85 PAYROLL - WRITTEN SINCE APRIL 17, 2023 AFLAC,Supplemental Insurance.....642.00 AUL Health Benefit Trust,Retirement Sick Leave Payout.....205.22 Collection Services Center,Payroll Withholding.....303.50 EFTPS,FICA Tax, Federal Tax.....10,283.01 Employee Benefit Systems,Administration Fees.....252.00 Empower Retirement,Deferred Comp.....325.00 Iowa Dept of Revenue,State W/H Tax.....3,014.90 City of New Hampton,Self Funding Fees.....8,013.54 Treasurer, State of Iowa,IPERS.....15,832.05 Wellmark,Health Insurance.....24,206.70 AIRPORT- TO BE WRITTEN L & C Builders,Repair SE Corner of Hanger, Roof (Airport).....9,875.00 CEMETERY- WRITTEN SINCE APRIL 17, 2023 John Deere Financial, Fertilizer, Paint.....286.94 Ziegler Inc,2023 ISX 800 52" Lawn Mower.....3,450.00 PARK & REC- WRITTEN SINCE APRIL 17, 2023 Scratch Cupcakery,Soccer Fundraiser.....950.40 Screenprints Inc,Soccer Jerseys.....1,980.00 No.22980 05/11/23

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of LINDA K. ANDERSON, Deceased, Probate No. ESPR003111 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of LINDA K. ANDERSON, Deceased, who died on or about March 8, 2023: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 25th day of April, 2023, the Last Will and Testament of LINDA K. ANDERSON, deceased, bearing date of January 9, 2014, was admitted to probate in the abovenamed Court and that Leslie Anderson-Raymond 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 to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred. No. 22945 05/04/23 05/11/23

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the Clerk of the abovenamed district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from 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. Dated this 26th day of April, 2023. Leslie Anderson-Raymond,Executor of Estate,1585 Union Avenue, Lawler, IA 52154 John S. Anderson ANDERSON, WILMARTH, VAN DER MAATEN,BELAY, FRETHEIM, GIPP, EVELSIZER OLSON,NOBLE,LYNCH & ZAHASKY 212 Winnebago,P.O. Box 450,Decorah, IA 52101,(563) 382-2959.Email: john.anderson@andersonlawdecorah.com Date of second publication: May 11th, 2023. No. 22983 05/11/23

Legal Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE Jerico Construction plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under the NPDES General Permit General Permit No. 2 - Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities The storm water discharge will be from (description of industrial activity)Construction of concrete manure pit beneath slats. located in NE 1/4, Section 8, T96N-R11W, Utica Township, Chickasaw County Storm water will be discharged from 1 point source(s) and will be discharged to the following streams: Field waterway to road ditch to unnamed tributary to Little Turkey River. Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Services Division, 502 E 9th St, Des Moines IA 50319-0034. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department. No.22983 05/11/23

Legal Notice - Legal Notice

ORDINANCE NO. 129 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IONIA, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMPENSATION BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Ionia, Iowa: SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 15.04 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ionia, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof: 15.04 COMPENSATION. The salary of the Mayor is \$2,000.00 per year, payable in June and December. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8]) SECTION 2. SECTION MODIFIED. Section 17.06 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Ionia, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof: 17.06 COMPENSATION. The salary of each Council member is \$45.00 for each meeting of the Council attended, payable in June and December. In no event, will they be paid more than \$720.00 each in any one year. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 372.13[8]) SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional. SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law. Passed by the Council the 1st day of May 2023, and approved this 1st day of May 2023. Randy Taylor, Mayor ATTEST: Donna Geerts, City Clerk I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 129 on the 11th day of May 2023. Donna Geerts, City Clerk No.22973 05/11/23

Legal Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF STORM WATER DISCHARGE JB Holland 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 for Construction Activities". The storm water discharge will be from the grading of earthen materials for the preparation of a substation at NW1/4; NE1/4 Section 12 Township 96 Range 13. Storm water will be discharged from 2 point source and will be discharged to unnamed ditches and waterways to the East Fork Wapsipinicon River. Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge 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 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department No. 22972 05/11/23

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

BEFORE THE UTILITIES BOARD OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO THE CITIZENS OF CHICKASAW COUNTY: Notice is given that Dairyland Power Cooperative, La Crosse, Wisconsin, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 478, has filed a petition with the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) for extension of a franchise to maintain and operate an electric transmission line setting forth the following as the maximum voltage, starting points, routes, and termini of the existing line: EXHIBIT A 69,000 Volt Nominal (72,500 Volt Maximum) Electric Transmission Line Chickasaw County, Iowa The North terminus of this line is an existing MiEnergy Electric 69,000V nominal voltage, 72,500V maximum voltage, Cresco Electrical Distribution Substation, located in the SE¼-SE¼, Section 24, T99N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Howard County, Iowa; and the North endpoint of this line is an existing Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC) 69,000V nominal voltage, 72,500V maximum voltage, electrical transmission line, located approximately 0.25 mile West of the NE corner of Section 24, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., on the North line of Chickasaw County, Iowa. Beginning at a point being approximately 0.25 mile West of the NE corner of Section 24, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., on the North line of Chickasaw County, Iowa; thence Southwesterly on public right of way crossing public road (County Highway B16 and 100th Street), approximately 0.013 mile (66 feet); thence continue Southwesterly, on private right of way in Section 24, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa, approximately 0.70 mile to a point on the North-South centerline of Section 24, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M. Chickasaw County, Iowa, at a point approximately 0.38 mile North of the 5/4 corner of Section 24, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa; thence South on private right of way along the North-South centerline of Section 24 and Section 25, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa, approximately 1.40 miles; thence continue South on public right of way crossing public road (120th Street) along the North-South centerline of Section 25 and Section 36, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa, approximately 0.013 mile (66 feet); thence continue South, on private right of way along the North-South centerline of Section 36, T97N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., and the North-South centerline of Section 1, T96N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa, approximately 1.96 miles; thence continue South on public right of way crossing public road (140th Street), along the North-South centerline of Section 1 and Section 12, T96N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa approximately 0.013 mile (66 feet); thence continue South, on private right of way along the North-South centerline of Section 12, T96N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa. The South endpoint/terminus of this line is an existing MiEnergy Electric 69,000V nominal voltage, 72,500V maximum voltage, Little Turkey Electrical Distribution Substation, located in the SE¼-SW¼, Section 12, T96N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa.

Right of way along the North-South centerline of Section 12, T96N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa, approximately 0.961 mile to the endpoint/terminus of this line at an existing Hawkeye Electric 69,000V nominal voltage, 72,500V maximum voltage Little Turkey Electrical Distribution Substation, located in the SE¼-SW¼, Section 12, T96N, R11W, of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa. The total distance of this 69,000V nominal voltage line is approximately 5.06 miles. A map showing the route of the electric line may be obtained at no cost by calling (608) 788-4000 or by writing to Dairyland Power Cooperative, Attn: Real Estate and Right of Way Department, 3200 East Avenue South, P.O. Box 817, La Crosse, WI 54602-0817. Orders issued and documents filed in this docket (No. E-21378) may be viewed by searching under the docket number in the IUB's electronic filing system (EFS) at efs.iowa.gov. Objections to the granting of the franchise may be filed electronically using EFS or filed in writing with the IUB no later than 20 days after the date of the second publication of this notice. Instructions for submitting an electronic filing can be found on the EFS home page. Written objections must be mailed to the Iowa Utilities Board, 1375 E. Court Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50319. The date of the first publication is May 11th, 2023 The date of the second publication is May 18th, 2023. IOWA UTILITIES BOARD BY: Jon Tack General Counsel Dated this 18th day of April, 2023.

that the adjudicatory hearing may take place without your presence if you fail to appear after reasonable notification. If you wish to state your views to the Court, you must appear in person or by attorney or the Court may rule against you. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that in the event the Court places a child in foster care, the child's parent or guardian may be liable for all or a portion of the cost of foster care. Foster care includes all out-of-home placements except the State Training School at Eldora, the State Juvenile Home at Toledo, or the Mental Health Institute at Independence. The Iowa Department of Human Services will notify you of the amount of any recommended parental liability for the cost of foster care and there exists an administrative procedure if you object. Note: The attorney who is expected to represent the child's parent should be promptly advised by the parent of service of this notice. If you require the assistance of auxiliary aids or services to participate in court because of a disability, immediately call your district ADA coordinator at (319) 833-3332. (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942). Disability Coordinators cannot provide legal advice. THIS CASE HAS BEEN FILED IN A COUNTY THAT USES ELECTRONIC FILING. You must register to eFile through the Iowa Judicial Branch website at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile and obtain a log in and password for filing and viewing documents in your case and for receiving service and notices from the court. For general rules and information on electronic filing, refer to the Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16 Pertaining to the Use of the Electronic Document Management System, available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website. For court rules on the Protection of Personal Privacy in court filings, refer to Division VI of the Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16. If you are unable to proceed electronically, you must receive permission

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Trojan golfers fifth at UIC league meet

Turkey Valley's Schmitt, Bodensteiner earn all-conference honors

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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Oliver Schmitt knows how to bounce back when the dimpled white ball doesn't bounce his way out on the golf course.

That's why the two-time All-Upper Iowa Conference golfer implemented some advice his longtime head coach has offered over the years.

"It's time to put on your cape and be a hero," said Schmitt. "It's hero time."

That coach would be Turkey Valley's John Reicks – and Schmitt is Reicks' No. 1 golfer on this year's Trojan squad.

Schmitt's resolve was tested last week Thursday in a home meet at Jackson Heights Golf Course against UIC foe Clayton Ridge.

Schmitt had what can only be described as a "blow-up" hole as he carded a mind-boggling 12 strokes on hole No. 1. That was his first hole of the day.

But no worries, Schmitt put on his cape and righted the ship. He would card an eagle on hole No. 9 and finished with a 44.

While his Trojans fell to the visiting Eagles – 172-179 – Schmitt proved his mettle by finishing strong.

"I was really proud of our boys tonight. They showed some tremendous "intestinal fortitude" to come within seven strokes of the Eagles – prime example was Oliver. He easily could have folded up his tent and given up. He somehow battled his way back with some impressive mental toughness," said Reicks.

Schmitt and his fellow Trojans must have kept their capes on the following day at home versus rival Crestwood on Friday.

Schmitt fired a 39, as did Trojan junior Caleb Kurtenbach. That 39 was a career low for Kurtenbach, who helped TV fire a season-low of 168. Crestwood was up for the challenge, though, and bested TV by 11 strokes, finishing with a 157.

"I definitely putted better today. Even though some of my drives weren't good, my second shots were good," said Kurtenbach.

Course familiarity counts and these Trojans benefited from substantial experience of playing on their home course in the regular season finale.

"You know the greens more here than other courses and how they're gonna roll," said Kurtenbach.

Schmitt's low round at Jackson Heights – a 38 – came late last month at home versus Central Elkader.

Schmitt agreed with Kurtenbach – his friend and teammate – about the benefits of knowing your home course's layout.

"This course – I feel way more comfortable. I just know the ins-and-outs of where I'm at in most spots," said Schmitt. Schmitt and his Trojans hit



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Turkey Valley junior Oliver Schmitt gets ready to tee off in a home non-conference dual meet with Crestwood on Friday. Schmitt, along with fellow junior Trojan Caleb Kurtenbach each fired 39s to lead Turkey Valley.

the road Monday and teed off at the Upper Iowa Conference meet, which was held at Big Rock Country Club near Fayette.

Turkey Valley finished fifth overall as a team with a 367. Schmitt was one of 15 UIC golfers that were named to the All-UIC squad as he finished in a tie for eighth place (85). TV senior Calvin Bodensteiner was awarded for his efforts as he was also part of the all-conference team. He carded an 89 – tied for 15th.

Kurtenbach fired a 96 and seniors Carson Busta (97), Garrett Dietzenbach (113) and Braylen Byrne (119) rounded out the scoring for the Trojans.

TV took on North Fayette Valley at the Pleasant Valley Sports Club on Tuesday, May 2. The TigerHawks clipped the Trojans by a score of 172 to 196.

The TV girls shot a 236 – 30 strokes back of NFW's 206.

Trojan freshman Annika Bodensteiner led the way for TV with a 50. That was Bodensteiner's low round of the year.

The TV girls team competed in the UIC league meet on Tuesday at Tri-City Golf and Country Club in Luana. The boys started Class 1A sectional play at the Guttenberg on Wednesday.

GIRLS SCORES
NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 206, TURKEY VALLEY 236
Medalist - Shae Moncada (NFW) 47.
Turkey Valley scores - Annika Bodensteiner 50, Sofia Rivera 59, Mariah Thronson 63, Abigail Schmitt 64, Morgan Vsetecka 68, Halle Weber 72.

CLAYTON RIDGE 224, TURKEY VALLEY 249
Medalist - Kaci Kregel (CR) 53.



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Turkey Valley sophomore Morgan Vsetecka tees off at Jackson Heights Golf Course on Friday at a home meet.

Turkey Valley scores - Bodensteiner 48, Dietzenbach 51, Braylen Byrne 52.
Turkey Valley JV scores - Co. Kurtenbach 63, Franzen 51, Balk 63, Jackson 68, Maklenburg 69.

CRESTWOOD 203, TURKEY VALLEY 272
Medalist - Cameran Moellers (CR) 45.
Turkey Valley scores - Weber 65, Vsetecka 77, Thronson 62, Karstyn Lukes 68, Brooklyn Kuennen 78.

BOYS SCORES
NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 172, TURKEY VALLEY 196
Medalist - Nick Koch (NFW) 40.
Turkey Valley scores - Oliver Schmitt 44, Calvin Bodensteiner 50, Carson Busta 50, Caleb Kurtenbach 52, Garrett Dietzenbach 53, Calen Franzen 61.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE MEET TEAM SCORES
MFL-Mar-Mac 316, South Winneshiek 346, North Fayette Valley 353, Clayton Ridge 359, Turkey Valley 367, West Central 387, Central Elkader 412, Postville 520.
Medalist - Quinn McGeough (MFL) 37-36-73.

Turkey Valley scores - Schmitt 45-40-85, Bodensteiner 44-45-89, Ca. Kurtenbach 48-48-96, C. Busta 46-51-97, Dietzenbach 55-58-113, Byrne 56-63-119.

Turkey Valley scores - Kurtenbach 42, Schmitt 44, Busta 45,

Keel 38, Parker Reicks 42, Jonah Orvis 36, Tristan Pullman 42.

TOP SQUADS
TV Red 227, South Winn Peppercorn 226, TV Black 221.

TOP BOYS
Kruse (TV) 49, L. Huber (TV) 48, Kade Kuennen (SW) 44-12, Kade Kuennen (TV) 47-22, Tlusty (TV) 47-16.

TOP GIRLS
Elsbernd (TV) 46, Kenna Hageman (SW) 44-20, Myers (TV) 44-17, Alayna Hageman (SW) 44-12.

TURKEY VALLEY SQUADS
TV Red (227) - L. Huber 48, Moudry 41, Kruse 49, Nelson 45, Myers 44.

TV Black (221) - C. Huber 43, B. Fischer 47, Drilling 43, A. Fischer 42, Kade Kuennen 46.

TV White (210) - E. Orvis 45, Reicks 41, Keel 41, J. Orvis 44, Pullman 39.

TV Orange (198) - Redfern 30, Toussaint 44, Diers 39, Petersen 39, Elsbernd 46.

TV individuals - Haylee Hanson 42, Tlusty 47.

TOP SQUADS
Charles City 1 227, Cresco Area Clay Crushers 8 225, Cresco Area Clay Crushers 5 220.

TOP BOYS
Kyle Larson (CR) 48, Brayden Ellis (CC) 47-21, Mason Vrba (CR) 47-17, Brayden Wemark (CR) 47-13, Hayden Heyer (CC) 47-13.

TOP GIRLS
Katie Pinter (CR) 45, Myers (TV) 44-20, Taylor Quade (CC) 44-15, C. Huber (TV) 44.

TURKEY VALLEY SQUADS
TV Red (202) - L. Huber 40, Moudry 38, Kruse 43, Tlusty 40, Nelson 41.
TV Black (197) - E. Orvis 40, Reicks 38, Keel 40, J. Orvis 35, Myers 44.
TV Orange (181) - Redfern 29, Toussaint 44, Diers 35, Petersen 42, Hanson 31.



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New Hampton's Nick Brincks competes in a trapshooting meet this spring for the Chickasaws.

New Hampton wins loaded Cedar Falls Invite

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One-hundred clays and New Hampton's Ethan Swehla only missed one.

Swehla finished with a near-perfect 99 individual score and that helped his New Hampton Silver squad take down the competition at the power-packed Cedar Falls Gun Club Open Invite on Saturday.

The top New Hampton squad won the invite – which featured over 30-plus teams that ranged from runner-up Don Bosco, to Waverly-Shell Rock, Charles City and Dike-New Hartford.

New Hampton Silver's total of 471 clays hit bested Don Bosco's 466. Waverly-Shell Rock Gold was third with a 465.

Swehla, a Chickasaw junior, led the charge for Jay Matthews' talented squad. He was followed closely by senior Layne Nehl's 98 and freshman Chase Humpal – who also fired a 98.

Jaiden Fettkether and Josie Fuerstenberg were the top girls for New Hampton as they each fired 91s.

New Hampton also reigned supreme in a home meet last week Thursday versus Cresco.

New Hampton's Black squad won the dual – shattering 237 clays. New Hampton Red was second (233), followed by the Cresco Area Clay Crushers #5 squad (232).

Nick Brincks, a junior for New Hampton, won a sudden-death shoot-off battle over Chickasaw teammate Teigen Howe. Brincks beat Howe, who is a senior, 49-22-4 to 49-22-3.

Fettkether led the way for the girls with a 48 and sophomore Aleah Eichenberger placed third individually with a 45-7. She lost in a shoot-off to Cresco's Lydia Bollman (45-19).

Nehl, Aaron Holschlag, Nolan Swehla and Isaak Schwickerath each fired 48s.

TOP SQUADS
New Hampton Silver 471, Don Bosco 466, Waverly-Shell Rock Gold 465.

TOP BOYS
E. Swehla 99, Brady Abkes (WSR) 98, Brayden Ellis (CC) 98, C. Humpal (NH) 98, Elliott Brincks (DB) 98, Nehl (NH) 98.

TOP GIRLS
Evelynn Erhardt (Cedar Valley Shotgunners) 94, Fettkether (NH) 91, Fuerstenberg (NH) 91.

NEW HAMPTON SQUADS
NH Silver (471) - Howe 89, I. Schwickerath 97, T. Schwickerath 93, E. Swehla 99, Scott 93.

NH Platinum (461) - N. Brincks 92, Holschlag 92, Nehl 98, H. Humpal 91, Njus 88.

NH Gold (454) - Bearman 90, Orthaus 96, Fettkether 91, Maloy 88, Venem 89.

NH Red (440) - C. Humpal 98, Douglas 86, Burke 81, N. Swehla 92, Kuehner 83.

NH Black (402) - Fuerstenberg 91, Jordan 87, Pauley 76, Ellingson 68, N. Eichenberger 80.

NH White (289) - Utley 81, Condon 0, Snyder 84, J. Schwickerath 69, Thronson 55.

NH Bronze (251) - A. Eichenberger 80, Ke. Pickar 87, Ka. Pickar 84.

NORTHEAST IOWA CONFERENCE MEET TEAM SCORES
Crestwood 310, Waverly-Shell Rock 324, Decorah 325, New Hampton 334, Charles City 344, Waukon 365.

Medalist - Cade Korsmo (Cr) 74.
New Hampton scores - 7. Jack Shawver 40-40 - 80, 14. Adam Ewert 39-44 - 83, 18. Kyler Glenn 40-44 - 84, 22. Ben Gilbert 42-45 - 87, 23. Kam Josephson 44-45 - 89, 25. Carter Newbrough 45-47 - 92.

TV trapshooters busy out on the shooting range

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South Winn hosted dual with the Turkey Valley trapshooters this past Thursday.

TV Charcoal and South Winn Black each tied with rounds of 218.

Landon Huber of Turkey Valley was top shooter on the boys side with a 46.

Cadyn Huber (49-15-18), Alexis Elsbernd (49-20) and Ashley Fischer (42-21) swept the top girls standings.

TV competed at the NICC Invite this past Saturday. The Trojans top squad was TV Pink, which placed fourth (226).

Landon Huber was again the top dog for TV he shot 49 out of 50 clays. Brady Fischer had a very productive round with a 48.

Elsbernd and Haylee Hanson each fired 46s.

TV swept the top three spots in a dual versus Oelwein on Tuesday, April 25.

TV Red won the meet with a 215. TV Black was six clays back of that with a 209 and TV Orange was third with a 202.

Hunter Kruse led the way for the Trojans with a 46, followed by Brennen Drilling's 45. The Trojans' Hunter Nelson (44-3) won a shoot-off over teammates Landon Huber (44-2) and Ty Moudry (44-1).

After Tuesday, TV was back at home versus South Winneshiek on Thursday, April 27.

Kruse once again rose to the occasion as he only missed one clay en route to a 49 and Landon Huber shot a 48. Kruse and Landon Huber's TV Red team bested South Winn Peppercorn by just a single clay – 227 to 226.

Keira Myers (44-16) and Elsbernd (46) were the top shooters for TV at Oelwein on Tuesday and at home on Thursday, respectively.

TV competed in the Cresco Invite on Saturday, April 29. Turkey Valley's top squad was TV Red with a 202. Myers (44-20) and Cadyn Huber (44) led the charge as they were the top girls as well as the best TV shooters overall in the loaded field. Boden Toussaint also shot a 44 at Cresco.

TOP SQUADS
TV Red 215, TV Black 209, TV Orange 202.

TOP BOYS
Hunter Kruse (TV) 46, Brennen Drilling (TV) 45, Hunter Nelson (TV) 44-3, Landon Huber (TV) 44-2, Ty Moudry 44-1.

TOP GIRLS
Keira Myers (TV) 44-16, Hayley Burke (OTC) 44-14, Cadyn Huber (TV) 43.

TURKEY VALLEY SQUADS
TV Red (215) - L. Huber 44, Moudry 44, Kruse 46, Tanner Tlusty 37, Hunter Nelson 44.

TV Black (209) - C. Huber 43, B. Fischer 43, Drilling 45, A. Fischer 40, Kade Kuennen 38.

TV Orange (202) - Jonathan Redfern 39, Boden Toussaint 43, William Diers 39, Wade Petersen 40, Alexis Elsbernd 41.

TV White (198) - Ethan Orvis 40,

TV White (159) - C. Huber 44, Kade Kuennen 35, Pullman 39, Elsbernd 41.

TOP SQUADS
TV Charcoal 218, South Winn Black 218, TV Ruby 209.

TOP BOYS
Landon Huber (TV) 46, Ezra Shimek (SW) 45-20, Kade Kuennen (SW) 45-17.

TOP GIRLS
Cadyn Huber (TV) 49-15-18, Alexis Elsbernd (TV) 49-20, Ashley Fischer (TV) 42-21.

TURKEY VALLEY SQUADS
TV Charcoal (218) - C. Huber 49, B. Fischer 44, Drilling 42, A. Fischer 42, K. Kuennen 41.

TV Ruby (209) - L. Huber 46, Moudry 40, Kruse 41, Tlusty 38, Nelson 44.

TV Topaz (206) - Redfern 38, Toussaint 42, Diers 42, Petersen 35, Elsbernd 49.

TV Pearl (168) - E. Orvis 44, Reicks 40, Keel 45, J. Orvis 39.

NICC INVITE TOP SQUADS
Cresco Area Clay Crushers 8 237, Cresco Area Clay Crushers 6 234, Cresco Area Clay Crushers 5 229.

TOP BOYS
Colton Husk (CR) 49-22, Owen Hageman (SW) 49-20, Ethan Tlusty (CR) 49-19, Landon Huber (TV) 49-18.

TOP GIRLS
Ava Ferrie (CR) 48, Haylee Hanson (TV) 46-22, Elsbernd (TV) 46-21.

TURKEY VALLEY SQUADS
TV Pink (226) - L. Huber 49, Moudry 44, Kruse 45, Nelson 42, Elsbernd 46.
TV Black (216) - C. Huber 45, B. Fischer 48, Drilling 43, A. Fischer 41, Kuennen 39.
TV White (206) - E. Orvis 43, Reicks 43, Keel 46, J. Orvis 29, Pullman 45.
TV Orange (162) - Redfern 31, Toussaint 44, Diers 47, Petersen 40.
TV individuals - Hanson 46, Tlusty 39, Calen Franzen 43.

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Turkey Valley boys show off relay power at the UIC

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The Turkey Valley Trojans won three relays and placed fifth (75 points) at the Upper Iowa Conference meet last week Thursday, which was held at the Stephen D. Shannon Athletic Complex in Guttenberg.

The league meet, hosted by Clayton Ridge, saw North Fayette Valley take home the conference title with a first-place total of 162 points. MFL-Mar-Mac was conference runner-up with 134 points.

Russell Nieman, a junior, helped anchor the blue-ribbon run of the 4x800 — which took first place in a time of 9:14, a season-best. The squad was also made up of Chase Hayek, Burke Busta and J.D. Kruse.

TV senior Ryan Franzen hit a personal-best in the open 400 as he crossed the finish line first in a time of 52.68.

TV's sprint medley team of came close to a season-best as Troy Schmitt, Hayek, Noah Hanson and Franzen ran to a first-place time of 1:38.71.

Hanson led off the winning 4x400 relay, which was comprised of Hayek, Busta and

Franzen. The group clipped out to a 3:42 time.

Hanson finished second in the open 200 to MFL-Mar-Mac's Karter Decker. Decker nipped Hanson at the tape — 23.04 to 23.72.

Turkey Valley competes in the Class 1A state qualifier at Northwood tonight (Thursday).

UPPER CONFERENCE MEET TEAM SCORES

North Fayette Valley 162, MFL-Mar-Mac 134, South Winneshiek 109, West Central 79 Clayton Ridge 70, Turkey Valley 65, Central Elkader 47, Kee High 42, Postville 26.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100 dash - 8. Logan Busta 13.14, 13. Miguel Diaz 13.99.
200 dash - 2. Noah Hanson 23.72, 13. Diaz 28.5.
400 dash - 1. Ryan Franzen 52.68, 14. Tucker Reicks 1:07.4.
800 run - 12. Reicks 2:41.82.
400 hurdles - 11. Busta 1:11.63.
4x100 - 6. David Diaz, Burke Busta, J.D. Kruse, Troy Schmitt 49.65.
4x200 - 2. B. Busta, Franzen, Chase Hayek, Hanson 1:36.15.
4x400 - 1. Hanson, Hayek, B. Busta, Franzen 3:42.38.
4x800 - 1. Hayek, B. Busta, Kruse, Nieman 9:14.05.
Sprint medley - 1. Schmitt, Hayek, Hanson, Franzen 1:38.71.
Distance medley - 4. D. Diaz, Kruse, Schmitt, Nieman 4:14.1.

Trojan girls begin postseason with fifth-place finish at UIC

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The Turkey Valley girls track team began their postseason journey last Thursday in Guttenberg at the Upper Iowa Conference meet.

TV finished fifth at the league get-together with 79 points. Central Elkader won the league championship with 169 — just six points better than league runner-up South Winneshiek (163).

TV's 4x100 relay of Ryann Schmitt, Olivia Snyder, Clare Courtney and Jenna Thronson ran a season-best time of 53.84 — good for second place.

The Trojans' 4x200 and 4x800 relays placed third.

Thronson led off the 4x200, followed by Snyder, Schmitt and freshman Makinley Lutgen. The foursome clipped out to a time of 1:57.

Karstyn Lukes, Layni Schuchhardt, Addison Steinlage and Addison Lutgen crossed the tape in the 4x800 in a time of 12:11.

TV senior Jacquyn Schmitt was second in the shot put (32-2.5) and third in the discus (90-3).

Schuchhardt, a sophomore, was fourth in the 800 run (2:46, PR) and in the 1,500 run (6:08). Snyder, a senior that com-

peted in the 100 dash as a sophomore at state, ran to a fifth-place finish in that event at the UIC meet in 14.06.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE MEET TEAM SCORES

Central Elkader 169, South Winneshiek 163, North Fayette Valley 101, Kee High 99, Turkey Valley 79, Clayton Ridge 37, Postville 25, MFL-Mar-Mac 22, West Central 19.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100 dash - 5. Olivia Snyder 14.06, 9. Clare Courtney 14.55.
200 dash - 7. Jenna Thronson 29.82, 12. Makinley Lutgen 31.14.
400 dash - 7. Haylee Hanson 1:11.71, 10. Addison Lutgen 1:16.42.
800 run - 4. Layni Schuchhardt 2:46.63, 8. Karstyn Lukes 2:55.78.
100 hurdles - 7. Hanson 19.5, 9. Kinsey Reicks 20.23.
1,500 run - 4. Schuchhardt 6:08.57.
400 hurdles - 5. Hanson 1:18.72, 9. Karen Ventura 1:25.23.
Discus - 3. Jacquyn Schmitt 90-3.
Long jump - 7. M. Lutgen 15-1.25.
Shot put - 2. Schmitt 32-5.5.
4x100 - 2. Ryann Schmitt, Snyder, Courtney, Thronson 53.84.
4x200 - 3. Thronson, Snyder, R. Schmitt, M. Lutgen 1:57.89.
4x400 - 5. A. Lutgen, Addison Steinlage, Ventura, Delaney Busta 5:00.68.
4x800 - 3. Lukes, Schuchhardt, Steinlage, A. Lutgen 12:11.71.
Shuttle hurdle - 4. Hanson, Reicks, Ventura, Busta 1:26.29.
Sprint medley - 5. R. Schmitt, Thronson, Snyder, Reicks 2:04.1.
Distance medley - 4. Reicks, Steinlage, M. Lutgen, Lukes 5:12.45.



John Burbridge/Charles City Press

New Hampton's Natalie Nobsbisch runs to a victory in the 800-meter run at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet.



New Hampton's Claire Geerts (above) gets off a season-best throw in the shot put, and although teammate Madison Schaufenbuel (below) had a tough night in the shot put, she did place in the discus at the NEIC meet.



New Hampton boys track coach needs everyone to 'buy in'

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great teammate."

And although the Chickasaws did finish last in the team standings, Jenkins found more positives than just the sprint medley.

There was Marshall Zeien's second-place finish in the discus. There were a number of PRs recorded by Chickasaws up and down the lineup. And there was the work put in by New Hampton's "Mr. Utility," Aiden Roberson.

The senior ran a season-best time of 16.78 in the 110 high hurdles to finish third, the same place he finished in the high jump, and he also ran a strong 200 leg on the distance medley and put together a solid opening leg in the 4x400.

"He's our Swiss army knife," Jenkins aid, "and he's a guy who can fill in anywhere from a 100 to a 400, including the hurdles. I don't care what I put 'Robie' in, I absolutely know he's going to give us great effort."

Roberson's favorite race is the 110 highs, and he broke out of a "slump" with Thursday's run to a third-place finish.

"It helped that I didn't hit any hurdles," he said before adding with a laugh, "because I'm telling you right now, when you do that, guess what? It slows you down."

His goal this week at the Class 2A state qualifying meet in Osage is simple: Find a way to qualify for state in something.

"That's where I want to finish," the senior said, "and wherever coach puts me, that's going to be my goal. I'll do anything." He paused and laughed.

"Well, maybe not the two-mile."

But it's that do-whatever-it-takes attitude that Jenkins said is a key for his team to have success at the qualifier. He saw



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New Hampton senior Carsyn Leistikow, shown here at a meet in Decorah earlier this season, just missed placing in the discus at the NEIC meet.

positives at the NEIC. Peyton Anderson is getting healthier as he is coming back from a non-track injury. Junior Ethan Praska and freshman Dylon Schmitt put together their best 400s of the season. Three relays posted season-best times.

The Chickasaws, though, need more in Osage.

"We've got to have everyone buy in," he said. "I still think we're in a good district for us, but it's also looking a lot tougher than it was when we found out we were going to Osage. We have to step up our game and compete, and that's one thing I liked about conference. We saw a lot more fight. That

Chickasaw girls gear up for their biggest meet of the season

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just had too much so we focused on ourselves, and we put together our best meet of the year."

There were stars up and down the lineup as the Chickasaws recorded 11 PRs, claimed conference titles in five events and showed the toughness and grit they must have Thursday when they travel to Osage for the Class 2A state qualifying meet.

Maybe best of all, though, was a 10-minute span mid-meet when Rochford cut almost three-tenths of a second off her 100 hurdles school record, Natalie Nobsbisch claimed the 800 title and Rochford went over and shattered the Northeast Iowa Conference meet record by almost a foot in the long jump.

As Rochford warmed up for the 100 hurdles, she felt she had done "enough" to win the long jump with what for her at least was a pedestrian leap of 16-11 so the plan was to pass on her remaining jumps.

But while she was blowing away the field in the 100 hurdles — Rochford's wining time of 15.27 was almost a full second faster than time posted by runner-up Maggie Criswell of Waukon — Decorah's Hayley Stowe came up with the jump of her life to move into first place over at the long jump pit.

While Nobsbisch took to the track for the 800, Rochford returned to the north end of the stadium and came up with the best jump in all of Class 2A this season — a leap of 18-6.5.

"I knew when I took off it was good," Rochford said, "and I kept my feet together, which is something I don't always do ... and when I hit the sand, I knew I had gone far. It felt awesome all the way through, and there's no way I was going to finish second in that event tonight."

Meanwhile, Nobsbisch was coming off a brilliant opening leg of the 4x800 relay that also included Megan Pickar, Ella Knutson and Tegan Dungey that gave New Hampton a strong second-place finish in a season-best time of 10:15.17.

And the New Hampton sophomore came through to claim the first individual conference title of her career as she turned in a time of 2:30.76 to hold off Decorah's Lilly Sandhorst for the win.

"I don't think people always realize this, but Natalie, I think, is one the most competitive runners on our team," Lares said. "She has that eye of the tiger, and she ran so well at conference. She's so much stronger this year than she was last year, and that strength has helped her gain more speed."

The Chickasaws' other NEIC title came from Nobsbisch's classmate, Taylor Ries, who won the 400 hurdles in a time of 1:10.20.

"That race takes a gritty person," Lares said, "and Taylor is so strong and super competitive. It's obviously a hard race — go out and sprint 400

meters and, by the way, jump over 10 hurdles — so you have to be mentally strong to run it. And Taylor is definitely mentally strong."

And then there was that 4x400 team that completely dominated the field — winning by almost 10 full seconds. Pesek capped off a fantastic night in which she anchored the sprint medley to a season-best time, took third in the 100 and ran a career-best 26.4 to take second in the 200 by anchoring New Hampton to its best time of the season.

By Sunday, though, Lares and her assistant, Brian Schmitt, had already put the NEIC in their rearview mirror and were working on putting together a lineup for the meet in Osage on Thursday.

"We want to take as many as we can to state and we want to score points and see if we can't get a [team] championship out of it," Lares said. "It won't be easy. There are going to be a lot of great athletes in Osage Thursday, but hopefully, the conference meet gives us a healthy dose of momentum."

Rochford believes it will.

"Being able to run conference at home was a big deal for me as a senior," she said, "but we have a lot more we want to accomplish."

She paused for a moment, smiled and then the Rochford game face returned almost instantaneously.

"Conference is a big meet," she said, "but next week is way more important than tonight was. And that's the mindset we have."

NORTHEAST IOWA CONFERENCE MEET TEAM SCORES

Decorah 187, New Hampton 122, Waverly-Shell Rock 76.5, Crestwood 74, Waukon 63, Charles City 59.5.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

Sprint medley - 2. Kinsley Hackman, Madison Shawver, Taylor Ries, Hailee Pesek 1:53.61.
4x800 - 2. Natalie Nobsbisch, Megan Pickar, Ella Knutson, Tegan Dungey 10:15.17.
Shuttle hurdle - 5. Dungey, Knutson, Addison Trower, Cora Schwickerath 1:16.24.
100 - 3. Pesek 12.85, 6. Hackman 13.26.
Girls distance medley - 4. Trower, Josie Speltz, Kandice Eggerichs, Pickar 4:47.12.
400 - 3. Ries 1:04.36, 7. Kirsten Reicherts 1:01.08.
4x200 - 5. Hackman, Shawver, Speltz, Camryn Smith 1:55.51.
100 hurdles - 1. Rochford 15.27, 11. Trower 18.74.
800 - 1. Nobsbisch 2:30.76, 11. Madalyn Van Wey 3:06.20.
200 - 3. Pesek 26.40, 11. Reicherts 30.44.
400 hurdles - 1. Ries 1:10.20, 5. Knutson 1:13.26.
1,500 - 3. Dungey 5:18.35, 6. Pickar 5:40.55.
4x100 - 4. Claire Geerts, Trower, Speltz, Shawver 54.29.
4x400 - 1. Hackman, Rochford, Nobsbisch, Pesek 4:07.19.
Shot put - 4. Geerts 36-6, 12. Schaufenbuel 27-5.5.
High jump - 2. Rochford 5-4, 8. Reicherts 4-6.
Discus - 4. Schaufenbuel 103-9, 7. Eggerichs 93-10.
Long jump - 1. Rochford 18-6.5, 8. Eggerichs 14-3.

EXHIBITION EVENTS

Shot put - 6. Elena Federspeil 24-4.

has to continue."

Waverly-Shell Rock 146, Decorah 140, Waukon 109, Charles City 77, Crestwood 56, New Hampton 54.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

Sprint medley - 2. Beau Serie, Edgar Rodriguez, Braden McShane, Cade Olson 1:36.03.
4x800 - 5. Weston Praska, Jarrin Robinson, Braiden Schaufenbuel, Caden Rochford 9:29.05.
Shuttle hurdle - 5. Tristin Willadsen, Elliott Eiler, Jayden Bucknell, Ryan Willadsen 1:15.10.
100 - 6. Beau Serie 12.00, 10. Bryce Flugum 12.97.
Distance medley - 4. McShane, Roberson, H. Serie, Peyton Anderson 3:50.80.
400 - 3. Ethan Praska 53.75, 5. Dylan Schmitt 55.25.
4x200 - 4. B. Serie, H. Serie, Rodriguez, McShane 1:34.95.
110 hurdles - 3. Roberson 16.78.
800 - 9. Rochford 2:20.53, 10. Robinson 2:20.87.
200 - 7. Kale Venem 25.75.
400 hurdles - 8. R. Willadsen 1:04.46, 9. T. Willadsen 1:05.03.
1,600 - 10. Schaufenbuel 5:25.40, 12. Landon Bruess 5:30.03.
4x100 - 4. B. Serie, Rodriguez, H. Serie, McShane 45.72.
4x400 - 5. Roberson, Anderson, Schmitt, E. Praska 3:41.30.
Discus - 2. Marshall Zeien 137-9, 7. Carsyn Leistikow 119-11.
Long jump - 10. Venem 16-3.5, 11. Flugum 15-6.75.
Shot put - 7. Logan Peterman 40-11, 11. Zeien 38-3.5.
High jump - 3. Roberson 5-8.

EXHIBITION RESULTS

Sprint medley - 1. R. Willadsen, Flugum, Eiler, Schmitt 1:43.31.
4x200 - 4. Venem, Flugum, T. Willadsen, R. Willadsen 1:44.37.
4x100 - 4. Griffin Wenzlaff, Aiden Groth, Bucknell, McDonald 56.62.
Shot put - 3. Leistikow 35-9.25.

ON TAP FOR THE CHICKASAWS AND TROJANS

THURSDAY

New Hampton trapshooting vs. Waverly-SR, Charles City/Nashua-Plainfield at Cedar Falls, 4 p.m.

New Hampton girls and boys track at Class 2A state qualifying meet at Osage, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls and boys track at Class 1A state qualifying meet at Northwood-Ken-sett, 4 p.m.



FRIDAY

New Hampton girls golf at Class 2A first-round regional meet, New Hampton Golf and County Club, 10 a.m.

Turkey Valley girls golf at Class 1A first-round regional meet, Maple Hills Coutry Club, Tripoli, 10 a.m.

New Hampton soccer at Clayton Ridge, varsity at 5 p.m., junior varsity to follow

SATURDAY

New Hampton and Turkey Valley trapshooting at Waverly-Shell Rock invite, at Cedar Falls Gun Club, 8 a.m.

New Hampton baseball varsity scrimmage at Newman Catholic, Mason City, 11 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton boys golf at Class 2A district meet, if qualified, Fox Ridge Golf Course, Dike, 10 a.m.

Turkey Valley boys golf at Class 1A district, if qualified, Highland Park Golf Course, Mason City, 10 a.m.

New Hampton soccer playoffs, TBD

TUESDAY

New Hampton trapshooting vs. Waverly-Shell Rock, Cedar Falls, 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

New Hampton girls golf at Class 2A regional final, if qualified, Bear Creek Golf Course, Forest City, 10 a.m.

Turkey Valley girls golf at Class 1A regional final, if qualified, Lone Pine Golf Course, Colesburg, 10 a.m.

New Hampton baseball vs. Clayton Ridge at Upper Iowa University, varsity at 4 p.m., JV to follow

THURSDAY, MAY 18

New Hampton trapshooting at Turkey Valley, 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

Turkey Valley track at Class 1A state meet, Des Moines, 9 a.m.

New Hampton track at Class 2A state meet, Des Moines, 2 p.m.

New Hampton trapshooting vs. South Winn at Turkey Valley range, 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

Turkey Valley and New Hampton track at state meet, Des Moines, 9 a.m.





SUPER SENIOR NIGHT!



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton's sideline erupts (left) after the Chickasaws' sealed a 10-goal win over Northeast Iowa United while the Chickasaws' Bailey Poor (above) gets tripped up as she goes for the ball in the home finale for the Chickasaws that was played Tuesday evening.



Gracie Reicks, whose penalty kick gave the Chickasaws a "walk-off" 10-goal victory, carries her injured teammate, Kelli Jirak, across the field Monday night

Chickasaws give seniors fantastic sendoff with an 11-1 victory

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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This one was for the seniors – all 11 of them.

For Gracie Reicks and Bailey Poor – it was one last hug on the home pitch.

Their New Hampton teammates shared in the jubilation on Tuesday night against Northeast Iowa United on Senior Night.

"This is our last home game ever," said Poor, a Turkey Valley senior who has played competitive soccer with her friend Reicks since they were youngsters.

Reicks' penalty kick underneath five minutes to play against the Sharks – in their first year of competition – sent the Chickasaw bench into a frenzy.

That made the score 11-1 in favor of Shannon Maas' Chickasaw squad.

Game. Set. Match. Then Reicks found Poor and the two wrapped their arms around each other to signal yet another Chickasaw victory.

That makes six this year for New Hampton (6-9) – the most in school history.

Northeast Iowa United – which draws its players from Sumner-Fredericksburg,

Tripoli and Oelwein – is just getting its program off the ground in its inaugural season.

"That used to be us," said Reicks, who scored the final goal on penalty kick to enact the 10-goal mercy rule with 3:54 to play.

New Hampton – which snapped a three-match losing streak after getting blanked by a combined score of 16-0 in losses to North Fayette Valley, Hudson and Aplington Parkersburg – found a spark early and didn't let its foot off the gas pedal against the out-gunned Sharks.

"Tonight was a great way to celebrate them," said Maas about her big bunch of seniors. "We've definitely gone through some adversity, so this definitely boosted our confidence."

Reicks – who became the first girl to score a goal on NH's co-ed team last year as a junior – was taken down in the scoring box and the referee whistled foul.

That meant someone had to kick the potential-match ending penalty kick.

Cries of "Gracie, Gracie, Gracie," reverberated from the Chickasaw sideline.

Reicks knew it was her time to shine.

Her dream shot became a reality after she slipped her kick past the Shark goalie to send the Chickasaw fanbase and the players that they root for into a wild celebration.

"(Jeff) Monteith was yelling my name and I guess I looked at all my teammates and they believed in me and I did it," said Reicks. "We worked so hard the last 30 minutes we were trying to score in that goal. I had to finish it for our team."

New Hampton is playing its third year out on the pitch. The Chickasaws had planned on making their first season take place in 2020, but COVID-19 wiped out all spring sports in the state of Iowa.

What did senior Noah Nosbisch – who almost ended the NEIU match on an incredible header that just missed the back of the net – learn about soccer early on?

"Lots of running – a whole lot of running," smiled Nosbisch.

NEIU is now 1-12 on the year. The Sharks' lone win came against Charles City, 7-5.

"The losses are hard, but you work on those losses. You learn

from them," said Reicks.

NH junior Carter Broughton scored NH's first three goals for an early first-half hat trick.

Chickasaw senior Brian Perez added two goals, as did senior Victor Montiel. Xander Meyerhoff, a sophomore, made it 7-1 – which ended up being the halftime score. NH seniors Aydin Ries and Treyce Orr scored goals eight and nine, respectively, for New Hampton.

New Hampton plays at Clayton Ridge on Friday in the regular season finale. The Chickasaws have defeated the Eagles twice this spring – 3-1 at the Postville Tournament and 2-1 at home.

NH opens the postseason at Clear Lake on Monday against Aplington-Parkersburg/Dike-New Hartford. The winner takes on No. 4 Webster City on the Lynx's home pitch on Monday, May 22.

New Hampton's 11 seniors are Orr, Nosbisch, Montiel, Reicks, Poor, Ries, Perez, Kelli Jirak, Daniela Leon, Mauricio Tinajero and manager Gaby Scheidel.

NH went 2-10 in its first season of play, followed by a record of 4-8 in 2022.

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Senior star's swan song highlights big NEIC meet for Chickasaw girls



New Hampton senior Carlee Rochford soars into the air during the long jump at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet that was held in New Hampton last week.

Rochford's record-breaking meet helps New Hampton to a runner-up finish at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet

By **BOB FENSKE**
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As Carlee Rochford ran the last lap of her life on New Hampton's track last Thursday night, she felt all the feels.

She had already had one hell of a Northeast Iowa Conference track meet — setting a new conference record in the long jump, breaking her own school record in the 100 hurdles and taking second in the high jump — when she took the baton from Kinsley Hackman in the 4x400 relay.

Rochford put it into overdrive, her stride as true as ever, and track announcer Darin Svenson pointed out to the crowd that this was the last time the superstar would ever compete as a Chickasaw in a stadium in which she's had so much success.

The New Hampton senior heard Svenson's words ... and out of the corner of her eye, she could see she was running by a sign put up by her family

in memory of her grandfather, Jerry Rochford, who passed away in March 2020.

"It really hit me, I'm not going to lie," she said, "because he was my biggest fan, my biggest supporter. But I also knew Grandpa was watching and wanted me to finish strong."

She did. And after Natalie Nobsbisch and Hailee Pesek finished off a dominating New Hampton victory — the quartet covered the four laps in a season-best time of 4:07.19 — the Chickasaws celebrated a meet they may not have won but one that showed just how much quality they have.

"Wasn't that fun? I mean, really, what a great night for our athletes and just track in general," New Hampton coach Jeanette Laues said after her team piled up 122 points to best third-place Waverly-Shell Rock by 45.5 points. "We knew Decorah probably

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Chickasaws find speed at the right time of the season

Despite missing sick senior, New Hampton coach likes what he sees at the NEIC meet

By **BOB FENSKE**
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It takes more than speed to be fast in track and field. Really, it does.

Just ask New Hampton runner Hunter Serie and his coaches, and they'll confirm it.

"From the first time we saw Hunter last year, both [assistant coach Jordan] Rommes and I said, 'He's going to be fast, he's going to be good,'" New Hampton coach Scott Jenkins said. "It took maybe longer than we thought, but I think what's happened this year is he's just gotten so much mentally tougher and telling himself he's going to do it."

Serie is doing it, and he's doing it at the perfect time.

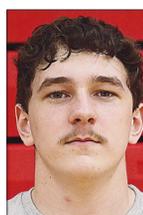
Last week, the senior anchored his little brother Beau, Edgar Rodriguez and Braden McShane to not only a second-place finish in the sprint medley at the NEIC meet but, more importantly, the quartet, with Serie running his 400 leg in 51.4 seconds, ran the race in the second-fastest time in school history.

"I think once I got that 52 split last week," Serie said, "it was like, 'Man, I can do this.' It just gave me a whole bunch of confidence, and I just wanted to prove that wasn't a one-time thing, you know? It felt really good tonight, but I know we can go even faster."

The sprint medley was



Serie



Roberson

definitely a highlight for the Chickasaws at the conference meet, especially considering New Hampton was without one of its key runners — Carter Cahoy, a senior who went home sick before the meet started.

But Beau Serie to Rodriguez took care of business in their 100s and always-reliable Braden McShane ran a solid 200 to put New Hampton into position to post a season-best time. And the oldest Serie made sure the Chickasaws did just that.

"It takes all four guys on a relay to make it work," he said, "and you got a give a lot of credit to Edgar for stepping in and doing a great job. Everyone did really. I was just the guy running at the end."

It didn't surprise Jenkins that his sprint medley anchor passed the credit on to his teammates.

"Here's the thing about Hunter, he's always put in the time and put the work into it," Jenkins said, "and he's a great,

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New Hampton girls golf coach Eric Olson and his Chickasaws pose for their traditional selfie after claiming their Northeast Iowa Conference championship during a meet in which Kinsli Dahl (below) taps in a par putt.

NEIC DYNASTY CONTINUES

NEW HAMPTON CLAIMS EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE CONFERENCE CROWN, FIVE CHICKASAWS SHOOT THEIR WAY TO ALL-LEAGUE HONORS

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
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The New Hampton Chickasaw girls golf team had to sweat this one out — literally and figuratively.

But in the end, head coach Eric Olson's squad remained Northeast Iowa Conference champions as they held off the host Waverly-Shell Rock Go-Hawks at the league meet on Monday by three strokes.

On a humid afternoon, New Hampton raised yet another title plaque after claiming its eighth-consecutive NEIC crown — a feat that's never been done before in league history.

Heck, no team had won more than five league titles in row since Waukon ripped off five-straight NEIC championships from 2000 to 2004.

Olson's powerhouse program has now won eight in a row —

dating back to 2015.

"We didn't make it pretty and we didn't make it easy on ourself," said Olson. "Hey, eight straight. We got 'er done."

NH anxiously waited in the clubhouse at Waverly Municipal Golf Course for the final scoring cards to be officially counted before the celebration began.

NH — ranked No. 2 in Class 2A according to the Iowa High School Golf Coaches Association and a state runner-up finisher last year — edged by the Go-Hawks by three strokes, 379 to 382.

"We played a little tight," said Olson. "The girls have high expectations. They want to keep the streak going and they want to do well."

That streak was continued on Monday, but now even a more important streak lays in front

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New Hampton's Marshall Zeien competes in the discus at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet.

Shawver, Ewert earn all-NEIC honors as Chickasaw boys take fourth

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Paul Ewert has been around high school golf long enough to know that in the grand scheme of things the following equation is fact:

Sectionals > Conference.

And so while the longtime New Hampton girls assistant golf coach who coached the Chickasaw boys at Monday's Northeast Iowa Conference meet was hoping for a better finish, a fourth-place finish wasn't a disaster.

"We were up and down and never really got into the swing of things," Ewert said after his team shot a 334 at the Cresco Country Club, "but let's face it, Wednesday is what matters. It was just one of those days for our guys."

Not that it was a lost day for the Chickasaws; after all, junior Jack Shawver and



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Members of the all-Northeast Iowa Conference golf team — including New Hampton's Adam Ewert and Jack Shawver (in red) — pose for a photo at the Cresco Country Club.

sophomore Adam Ewert both earned all-conference honors as Shawver finished with an 80 to finish seventh in the individual standings while Ewert had an 83 to finish in a tie for 14th place.

Crestwood tore up its home course and finished with a 310 to claim its first-ever NEIC

title while Waverly-Shell Rock edged Decorah, 324-325, for second place.

New Hampton's Kyler Glenn just missed out on all-conference honors with an 84 while Ben Gilbert rounded out the Chickasaw scorers with an 87.

"Give Cresco credit, they played really well," Ewert said,

"but for our guys, you can't have bonus strokes. You can't go out of bounds, you can't give up the strokes we did and have the round you want."

Ewert said the other issue for the Chickasaws was the Cresco Country Club greens, which

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