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Council holds off on stoplights

City leaders want to talk to superintendent, also put off decision on Heritage water

By BOB FENSKE
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The New Hampton City Council Monday night tapped the brakes on not only removing stoplights from a city intersection but also once again put off a decision on extending city water lines to the county-owned Heritage Center. Council members said they wanted more information on both issues

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before making decisions. Start with the traffic lights at the intersection of North Linn Avenue and

West Prospect Street. Just after the Labor Day weekend, the Iowa Department of Transportation notified the city that it could remove the stoplights at the intersection just to the north of New Hampton’s downtown area without doing a costly traffic study. Because that section of North Linn Avenue is also designated State Highway 24, the DOT also has con-

trol over the stoplights, but a DOT official told City Clerk Karen Clemens that in addition to following state guidelines on the removal of streetlight — basically, the city would have to put up signage and cover the lights for at least 90 days before removing them — the city would also have to extend the 25 miles per hour speed limit for a

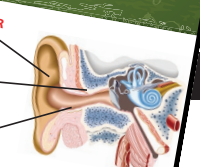
short distance on the road. On Monday, though, at least one City Council member said he had concerns

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EXPENSIVE BUT NECESSARY



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New Hampton’s wastewater treatment facility sits just off Locust Avenue on the city’s south side, but after 60 years in use, state regulators and city officials say the plant must be replaced by 2036 to meet mandated nutrient-reduction strategies.

OFFICIALS SAY THEY HAVE LITTLE CHOICE WHEN IT COMES TO SPENDING \$27.4 MILLION ON NEW PLANT

By BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton Public Works Director Casey Mai put it bluntly when it comes to the city’s wastewater treatment plant. “This is probably the most important piece of infrastructure in our community,” Mai said. “Nobody sees it because it’s tucked out in a corner, it doesn’t smell good and all that, but without it, we can’t flush toilets, we can’t do laundry, we can’t take showers, we can’t cook or do dishes. ... No one thinks about it until that wastewater can’t go anywhere, and then, trust me, we hear about it.” The rub is this: New Hampton’s plant, which was built in the early 1960s, needs replacing. And it’s going to be expensive — like really, really expensive — which is why the City Council held a Committee as a Whole meeting, which is basically a workshop, last Wednesday evening to discuss the city’s options.

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School Board approves sub pay increases

After finding success with hikes for substitute teachers, district will do same for other positions

By BOB FENSKE
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A decision earlier this year to hike pay for substitute teachers has paid dividends for New Hampton Community Schools, and the School Board on Monday night decided to “double down” when it came to “sub pay.” Board members approved a recommendation from Superintendent Jay Jurrens to substantially increase pay for those who fill in for secretaries, custodians, paraeducators, nurses, cooks and bus drivers. “I’ve had a couple of substitute teachers tell me the reason they’re coming here is the pay,” Superintendent Jay Jurrens said, “and we’re having the same issue trying to get subs in other places so I think this is something we have to do.” In July, the School Board hiked pay for substitute teachers from \$120 to \$150 per day, an increase of 25 percent, and on Monday, board members approved more substitute pay hikes — ranging from 16.7 percent for bus drivers to 31.6 percent for school nurses. “It’s like [Food Service Director] Jodi [Cerwinske] tells me, it’s next to impossible to find sub cooks when we’re paying \$10.50 an hour,” Jurrens said. “We need to do something to attract more subs, and this will make us much more competitive.” The raises approved Monday included: • Secretaries will go for \$11.50 per hour to \$14.50 per hour. • Custodians will bump up from \$12.50 an hour to \$15.50 an hour. • Paraeducators will increase from \$11 per hour to \$14 per hour. • Nurses will go from \$95 a day to \$125 a day. • Cooks will increase from \$10.50 an hour to \$13.50 an hour.

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Turkey Valley royalty

Turkey Valley Homecoming King Oliver Schmitt (above) poses with his fellow king candidates — Burke Busta and Russell Nieman — last Thursday night while Ryann Schmitt (right) celebrates with her parents, Denise and Wayne, after she is announced as the homecoming queen during halftime of Turkey Valley’s football game with Central Elkader on Friday night.





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Check out our recap of the Big 4 Fair that was held in Nashua over the Labor Day weekend

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New Hampton FFA chapter to hold pumpkin sale this Saturday

The New Hampton FFA chapter is ready to help area residents get into the Halloween spirit this weekend as members will hold a pumpkin sale in the Carquest parking lot that is located near the intersection of North Linn Avenue and Main Street. The sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. FFA members say all the pumpkins are locally grown and come in all sizes, shapes and colors. Those who can not attend the sale on Saturday should contact New Hampton FFA Advisor Rachel Bauler at 641-394-2134.

Lettermen holding annual meat bundle sale; orders due by Tuesday

The New Hampton Lettermen's Club is holding its annual fall fundraiser — its meat bundle sale — that will run through this coming Tuesday. All nine bundles that are being sold will be processed by Elma Locker and Grocery and will be available for pickup between 11 a.m. and noon on Sunday, Oct. 23, in the high school cafeteria. Lettermen Club members also can deliver the meat bundles if that date doesn't work for pickup. Bundles range in price from \$38 for the brat sampler and pulled pork to \$58 for the "Stick Snack Pack" and a jerky sampler. Those who have not been contacted by a Lettermen's Club member can call either Dennis Pagel or Jordan Rommes, the club's two advisors, at 641-394-2134 and they will make sure someone contacts them.

Cross country team holding pumpkin-sale fundraiser today

The New Hampton cross country team will host a fundraiser today for Andrea Burgart, who is currently navigating medical obstacles. Support for Andrea — the former Andrea Shekleton — can be made by coming to the Carquest parking lot at 2 N. Linn today (Thursday), where members of the cross country team will be selling pumpkins from 3-7 p.m. The team will donate 100 percent of the proceeds to the Burgart family, and for those who may not want to buy a pumpkin, monetary donations will also be accepted.

Fort Atkinson Rendezvous set for Saturday and Sunday

The 47th annual Fort Atkinson Rendezvous will take place Saturday and Sunday at the fort in the small Winneshiek County town. Starting on Saturday, the fort opens to the public at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 4:30 p.m. and the next day the hours are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cannon drills will start and close the hours and drills will also be held during the day. Other events held will be a bullwhip contest, cooking contest, 1840's kids games, primitive bow shoot, a kid's tomahawk throw, a skillet throw and music. In addition, there will be a 5K run/walk and kids fun run starting at 7:30 a.m. Saturday at the community center and a three-piece chicken dinner by Mike Reicks, which includes broasted potatoes, beans, bar and milk on Friday from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the center. There is no admission charge and free parking, with a bus carrying people from the community center parking lot — where the Iowa History 101 Mobile Museum will be on site both Saturday and Sunday — to the fort.



Fans (above) take in some of the football game action at Turkey Valley's new concession stand last Friday night, and the new building not only includes the concession stand but also restrooms and picnic tables, where Lance Schmitt (below) catches a quick supper with his father Mark

Turkey Valley to dedicate Booster Club's latest addition

New concession stand part of a three-phase capital campaign project; AD says it shows 'great support' Trojans have

By Kelly Terpstra
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Turkey Valley's new concession stand is a hit. Generous donations and hard work by the Turkey Valley Athletic Booster Club were able to help raise money to construct a \$250,000 dual-use concession stand that features a patio with several tables and an excellent view of the football field. The new building also features bathrooms — which replaced the porta-potties that spectators attending football or baseball games utilized prior to construction of the ADA-compliant lavatories. The brand, spanking new concession stand — which is located just past the northwest corner of the football field and situated behind home plate of the baseball diamond — was first operational during TV's home-opening football contest against Kee High a few weeks ago. There will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony Friday night before the start of Turkey Valley's football game with Clarksville to officially christen the facility



that is part of a three-phase project spearheaded by the TV Booster Club. "This new concession stand is a great addition to the Turkey Valley facilities and community as a whole. It's a great representation of the great things happening at Turkey Valley, the hard work that's done at Turkey Valley, and the outstanding support this community has for the kids, the school, and its programs," said TV Athletic Director Anthony Troyna. Two-thirds of that three-phase project are now complete. The football bleachers were completed in 2019 and then the second part of the project undertaken by the capital campaign committee and project manager Aaron Schmidt

was the baseball/football concession stand. The final part of the project will be to upgrade the softball concession stand. Schmidt said he's hoping to be able to get that finished next year before the start of play in the summer. The Turkey Valley School District organized a \$650,000 capital campaign a few years back to also add a greenhouse that was finished last December. The greenhouse has been beneficial for ag education and the FFA program at TV. The plan to erect the baseball/football concession stand got off the ground right before the COVID-19 pandemic essentially shut down the United States. That effort to raise funds stalled, but TV boosters contin-

ued collecting money to help facilitate the completion of the three-pronged project. "We were in the midst of going through the process of the football/baseball concession stand when COVID hit. Prices went through the roof, so we kind of had to put that on hold and wait awhile," said Schmidt. Although it's been a long time coming for TV athletic supporters or fans to see the finished product of the concession stand — it's been well worth it according to Schmidt. "We're appreciative of the community support," said Schmidt. "It worked out very well." TV's dream of a new concession stand has come to fruition — thanks in large part to the tireless work of the school, the booster club and community members.

"Throughout this project it takes a great relationship and partnership between Turkey Valley Schools and the Turkey Valley Athletic Boosters (TVAB) — to go along with that amazing support from the community to help make this project a reality," Troyna added. There is a long concrete walkway that leads up to the concession area. The building has a men's and women's restrooms, as well as two storage rooms, a utility room and a crowd's nest for use during baseball games. "Having bathrooms attached is obviously really nice! The patio overlooking the football field is my favorite part. It's really a great view of the field. Through our first couple home games it has been a really popular place where fans have enjoyed their food and the game. Inside the concession stand it is very functional for the workers with great space and storage for everything needed in the concession stand," said Troyna. Softball complex improvements were finished a couple years ago and came at a cost of \$50,000. The football bleachers' price tag was \$105,000. Fundraising is still ongoing for the projects and Schmidt said interested parties that want to help donate can send checks or money to the Turkey Valley Community School District, attention capital campaign.

"We are still taking donations and we are still fundraising," said Schmidt. "Some people were waiting to see the brick and mortar part of the building (concession stand) get done before they donated. So now that's done, I'm hoping they will be able to." Schmidt said the TV capital campaign has raised almost \$280,000.



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Area veterans who received Quilts of Valor — (from left) Navy EF Jeffrey Newton, Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Robert W. Kruse, Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class SS Eric Laughridge, Army Sgt. Chad M. Wendel, Army and National Guard 2nd Lt. Mitch McGraw, Air Force Senior Airman Nolan Dungey and Air Force Sgt. Tom Laube — pose for a group photo after a ceremony that was held Sunday at the Fredericksburg Community Center. During the ceremony, which was put on by the Quilt of Valor Freedom Strippers chapter, veterans like Dungey (left) were introduced and “wrapped” in their quilts by chapter members.

Photos courtesy of Ray Kapler

City Council holds off on water main, annexation discussion

CITY COUNCIL: FROM 1

about removing the light while a New Hampton resident who works in an office near the intersection expressed opposition to removing the lights.

“I’ve heard both sides of the fence,” Councilman Joe Denner said. “Some say yeah great; others [say] don’t do that.”

Community Insurance of Iowa agent Tony Trower definitely was in the don’t-do-that camp.

“Throughout the day — morning and night — No. 1, the school traffic is pretty busy through there,” he said. “We have a lot of kids walk in front of our office so I’m sure they use that intersection to cross. Could they go a block over and cross over at Main? Yes. Will they? Probably not because that’s the path they’ve been taking.”

He also said that traffic is heavier on that stretch of Linn than people believe.

“Just trying to get out of our office or Carquest is about impossible when that light was flashing yellow,” Trower said. “I know there’s a lot of people who can turn off of Main and just shoot out of town, but the cross traffic is not getting across.”

New Hampton Public Director Casey Mai, too, felt the city needed more information and more feedback before making a decision.

“Has anyone had a conversation with the school or [Superintendent] Jay Jurens to get their thoughts? I think that would be one of the most important ones to reach out to,” Mai said.

Council members agreed and tabled the issue until city officials talk to Jurens.

Council members on Monday also received more information about a request from the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors to extend a city water main to the Heritage Center, which is now home to

City will ‘cover’ latest increase in garbage prices

Here’s the bad news: The city’s garbage rates are going up, but the good news, at least for city residents, is that they won’t see the rate hikes that the parent company of Jendro Sanitation say will begin on Oct. 1.

That’s because the City Council on Monday agreed to “absorb” the rate hike by using the city’s Solid Waste Fund to pay for the increase.

In a letter dated Sept. 5, LJP Waste Solutions, which owns Jendro Sanitation, notified City Clerk Karen Clemens that it would be increasing its monthly invoice to the city by 8.4 percent for two reasons — continuing inflation and an added cost that the Floyd Mitchell County Landfill is adding to its dumping fees.

Under the contract the city has with Jendro Sanitation, the company can increase rates each year by the same percentage that the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases. During the past 12

months, according to the letter, the CPI increased by 5.9 percent.

In addition, Jendro has been notified by the landfill that it will pay \$2 more a ton for dumping fees, and Jendro officials say that will result in a 2.5 percent increase.

Clemens asked council members if they wanted to pass on the increase to city residents or if they wanted to use funds from the Solid Waste Fund like council members did a year ago when garbage costs increased.

“We do have room to absorb the cost again,” she said. “That fund is in a solid position. We have \$93,000 and then some in there, but it’s up to you.”

Council members chose to absorb the costs — as City Council member Cory McDonald put it, the fund is “taxpayer money and we don’t need to have it just sitting there” — with a unanimous vote.

— By Bob Fenske

a number of county and state offices as well as a number of non-profit organizations.

Although the county would pay for the extension, council members held off on a decision for several reasons — including finding out more information on what size of a water line should be installed and the possibility that the city should consider annexing the areas in which it would extend city services.

City Attorney Todd Prichard shared information about the process of “forced annexation,” one that, as Clemens put it, would be a “lengthy one.”

With two council members — Kalista Porath and Mindy Humpal — absent from Monday night’s meeting, Councilman Cory

McDonald asked his fellow council members to delay the discussion.

“Because the annexation being a big, lengthy process,” McDonald said, “and the ramifications of any decisions being made will potentially be something they’ll have to deal with the next two years of their term,” he said, “I think it would be smart of us to table this.”

The City Council eventually decided to hold a Committee as a Whole meeting this coming Wednesday to discuss the issue, and although council members won’t be able to make any decisions on the water main during what amounts to a work session, it could have a final decision at its Oct. 2 meeting.

St. Lucas museum to hold Oktoberfest celebration Sept. 30

On Saturday, Sept. 30, from 4 to 7 p.m., the St. Lucia Court 233 of 1891 Financial Life is sponsoring an Oktoberfest meal at the German American Museum in St. Lucas.

The drive-through pick-up meal includes the famous Polashek’s German style brats, buns, sauerkraut, potato salad, baked beans and

scotcheroos.

The meals are available for curbside pick up at the German American Museum at 212 East Main Street, St. Lucas. Suggested donation is \$12 per meal.

Janet Bodensteiner, Kathryn Kuennen and Helen Pinter are the core team preparing this traditional Oktoberfest event.

“We are very excited to bring you a very tasty, wholesome traditional style meal for the Oktoberfest,” Bodensteiner said.

Kuennen added that “we are making the deserts ourselves. We think you will really like the scotcheroos.”

Matching funds from the 1891 Financial Life — formerly

the National Catholic Society of Foresters (NCSF) — are helping with the museum roof replacement.

The St. Lucas Historical Society that operates the German American Museum, Library and Family History Center greatly appreciates the kind support it receives from area residents.

New-Horizons-Chamber gearing up for next week’s New Hampton Homecoming Parade

There will be plenty of royalty on display next week during the New Hampton Homecoming Parade; in fact, New Horizons-Chamber has had to add a trailer to the lineup.

The chamber is putting on this year’s parade that will take place a week from today on Thursday, Sept. 28. The parade will begin at 6 p.m. on Main Street near the high school and run through the downtown area.

New Horizons-Chamber Director Liz Zweibohmer said this week that a new addition to the parade — a float with former homecoming kings and queens — has generated a healthy dose of interest.

“We were hoping for a few,” she said, “and now we’re at the point, where we have so many, we’re going to need a second trailer. We think that’s awesome. And we’ll take more, too.”

Former royalty who want to take part in the parade should call the chamber at 641-394-2021, and Zweibohmer also reminded businesses and organizations that the “soft” parade entry deadline is this Friday. The entry fee is \$10.

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Dubuque archdiocese to install bishop next month

Zinkula says he's 'humbled and overjoyed' to return home as archbishop of Archdiocese of Dubuque

Pope Francis has appointed Most Reverend Thomas R. Zinkula, Bishop of Davenport, as Archbishop of Dubuque. Archbishop-elect Zinkula is scheduled to be installed as the archdiocese's 11th archbishop on Wednesday, October 18.

The Most Rev. Richard E. Pates, Bishop Emeritus of Des Moines, has served as Apostolic Administrator of the archdiocese since April 4 and will continue in that role until Archbishop-elect Zinkula's installation.

Archbishop-elect Zinkula was born April 19, 1957 and grew up on a farm outside of Mt. Vernon, Iowa. He graduated from Cornell College in Mt. Vernon with an undergraduate degree in mathematics, economics and

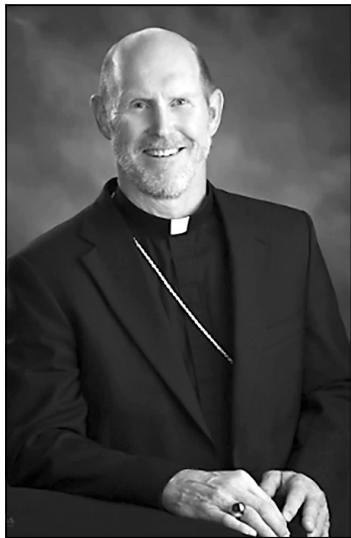
business. He received his law degree from the University of Iowa College of Law in 1983. He attended Catholic University in Washington, DC, where he earned a master's degree in theology in 1990 and was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Dubuque the same year. In 1998, he received a licentiate in Canon Law from St. Paul's University, Ottawa, Canada. Pope Francis appointed him Bishop of Davenport on April 19, 2017.

Bishop Richard Pates, Apostolic Administrator of the Archdiocese took note, "Pope Francis has blessed the Archdiocese of Dubuque with a native son. Archbishop Zinkula is very beloved in the archdiocesan community and will exercise service and leadership that will draw Church

members closer in their vital mission."

Archbishop-elect Zinkula's past archdiocesan assignments saw him serving faith communities in Dubuque, Rickardsville, Balltown, Sherrill, Holy Cross, Luxemburg, and Cedar Rapids. He also served as judge and judicial vicar for the Archdiocesan Metropolitan Tribunal, and rector for St. Pius X Seminary in Dubuque.

Archbishop-elect Zinkula reflected upon his appointment to Dubuque in a statement, saying, "Although I will be sad to leave the Diocese of Davenport in a couple of months, where the diocesan community taught me how to be a bishop and we walked together on our common



faith journey, I am humbled and overjoyed to receive the appointment to return to my home diocese to serve as the eleventh archbishop of the Archdiocese of Dubuque."

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Consider Financial Gifts for Grandchildren

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You have several options. Let's look at three of them:

- **529 plans** — When you invest in a 529 education savings plan, any earnings growth is distributed federally tax free, as long as withdrawals are used for qualified education expenses. (Withdrawals used for expenses other than qualified education expenses may be subject to federal and state taxes, plus a 10% penalty.) And in-state residents who invest in their home state's 529 plan may also receive state tax incentives. A 529 plan can be used for college, approved trade school programs, qualified student loan repayments and even some K-12 costs. And if the grandchild you've named as a beneficiary of a 529 plan decides to forego further education, you can generally switch beneficiaries to another immediate family member. You can contribute up to \$17,000 in 2023, per grandchild, to a 529 plan without incurring gift taxes. Furthermore, as of the 2024-25 school year, grandparent-owned 529 plans won't affect financial aid eligibility. However, tax issues for 529 plans can be complex, so consult with your tax advisor about your situation.

- **Roth IRA** — Any earnings growth in a Roth IRA is distributed tax free, provided the owner is at least 59½ and has had the account at least five years. If your grandchildren earn money from babysitting or a part-time job, they can open a Roth IRA with the help of a parent or other adult. You could "match" your grandchildren's contributions, possibly on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to provide them with an incentive for saving. In fact, you could fully fund the Roth IRA, up to the annual contribution limit, which is \$6,500 or the amount of your grandchild's taxable compensation, whichever is less. (The annual limit is \$7,500 for those 50 or older.) And your grandchildren



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can withdraw the contributions — not the earnings — at any time to pay for college or anything else.

- **Custodial account** — You can open a custodial account, also known as an UGMA or UTMA account, for a grandchild, and fund it with most types of investments: stocks, mutual funds, bonds and so on. For that reason, it can be a good way to teach grandchildren about the nature of investing — risks, returns and the value of holding investments for the long term. Plus, there's an initial tax benefit to custodial accounts: The first \$1,250 of your grandchild's investment income (dividends, interest, capital gains) is tax free, and the next \$1,250 is taxed at the child's rate. Anything above that amount is taxed at the parents' marginal tax rate. However, once your grandchildren reach the age of termination — usually 18 or 21, depending on where they live — they take control of the account and can do whatever they choose with the money. So, while a custodial account could be considered as a funding source for college, it might alternatively serve as a gift that could eventually enable your grandchild to fulfill another desire or goal — take an overseas trip, pay for a car or maybe even start on a path to entrepreneurship. Making financial gifts to your grandchildren can be rewarding — for them and for you. So, consider the possibilities carefully and put your generosity to work.

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

Slowly but surely, Kindness Square takes shape

Work continues on Kindness Square, the new inclusive park that is being built in New Hampton's Runion Park, and the building that will house the park's bathrooms and a storage area has gone up in recent weeks. "We're making progress, slowly but surely," New Hampton Parks and Recreation Director Tara Hackman. The park may be ready to use later this fall, but officials are planning to hold the grand opening for Kindness Square next spring.

Board puts 'wraps' on two big summer projects

SCHOOL BOARD: FROM 1

- Bus drivers will move from \$30 for subbing on either a morning or afternoon route to \$35.

The action came in the same meeting in which board members approved spending about \$120,000 over the next six years to purchase new high school band instruments.

Band Director Justin Adam told the board that his proposal was similar to one that the middle school band undertook several years ago and that spreading the costs over six years would make it more manageable.

In other news from Monday's meeting:
• During the public comment period of the board meeting, New Hampton cross

country coach Jamie Ohrt and two residents — Shirley Gessner and Jennifer Monteith — urged the board to reconsider a policy when it comes to assistant coaches in the district.

Currently, the board will consider hiring an assistant coach if a sport has more than 30 participants, and earlier in the meeting, the board approved hiring Bob Vorwald as an assistant coach because this year's Chickasaw cross country team has reached that threshold.

But Ohrt, Gessner and Monteith all said that the policy was not only confusing because some sports have less than 30 participants and have assistant coaches in place but it also causes safety concerns for a sport like cross country.

- Board members also put the wraps on

two of the district's biggest summer projects — approving final payments for both the new high school parking lot and the work done on the elementary school walls this past summer.

Jurens said both projects came in under budget — pointing out that the elementary school masonry work, which was budgeted at \$150,000, cost about \$135,000 and the parking lot project still has almost \$33,000 of its "contingency" funding remaining.

The superintendent did recommend that the district "retain" the parking lot contingency for "any issues that may come up," but he also said he was pleased with how the lot turned out.

"It looks great," he said, "and we've had a lot of people who have come to our events tell us that they really appreciate it."

Mobile Iowa history museum to be in Fort Atkinson this weekend

The State Historical Society of Iowa's mobile museum is hitting the road again as it continues its journey to all 99 Iowa counties.

Housed in a custom-built Winnebago, the 300-square-foot museum on wheels launched in 2017 and completed its first 99-county tour in 2019, making 175 stops along the way and attracting nearly 65,000 visitors, including 11,400 students. The current exhibition, "Iowa History 101: Iowa's People & Places," debuted in 2021 and will continue its 99-county journey through the end of this year.

The public is invited to take free self-guided tours of the mobile museum during the Fort Atkinson Rendezvous. The mobile museum will be located at the Fort Atkinson Community Center on Friday from noon to 7 p.m., Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The exhibition shares stories from Iowa's past with an eclectic array of artifacts from the State Historical Museum of Iowa's permanent collection, plus a video narrated by former WOI-TV host Jackie Schmillen.

City grappling with how to pay for new wastewater treatment plant

WASTEWATER: FROM 1

In 2016, the city was notified by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources that New Hampton would have to comply with nutrient reduction strategy mandates by 2036, and city officials learned then that to build a new plant would cost approximately \$15 million. But the city had little money to move forward on constructing a new plant. Six years later, the city again asked an engineer to come up with a cost for a new plant and the price tag is now \$27.4 million.

"People can say we have 13 years, but really we don't. It's not like you build one of these things overnight," he said, "and do we really want to wait until the last minute? Look at how much the cost has gone up. I don't even want to think about how much it would cost if we waited until 2030, 2031 or 2032."

Neither do city leaders, which is why they called last week's meeting and did their best to get the word out to both residents and New Hampton's plethora of industries.

TriMark, ATEK Metal Technologies and Deb El Foods all had representatives at the meeting, and they shared not only their concerns but how they're "pre-treating" wastewater that goes through their plants.

The council also heard from Piper Sandler representative Travis Squires, who shared thoughts on how the city could potentially pay to bill for a new plant, and the bottom line is this: Water and sewer

rates will have to go up.

Mai said the city would in all likelihood work to borrow the money from a state revolving loan fund, which right now has a 2 percent interest rate but that rate looks like it may go up.

"There's not a lot of grant funding out there," Mai said, "and there's a lot of communities out there in the same boat we're in. ... The bottom line is that even if there were grants out there, the first thing they're looking for is what you're contributing. We've never put money away ... there's not much in reserves. The only way to raise that kind of money is to raise rates."

Mai said Squires presented several options on raising rates — including raising rates equally for all users, increasing rates to individuals only, increasing rates for industry only and increasing rates by different percentages for residential, commercial and industry.

The public works director said that currently the average water and sewer bill in New Hampton is between \$35 and \$45 a month, much lower than the state average, which is somewhere between \$80 and \$100.

But he understands the angst that water and sewer uses will have when they hear that the city may have to raise rates by around 25 percent annually for the next five years.

"That brings our average bill to where the state average is right now," he said, "and obviously, that state average is going

to go up over the next five, six years, too, so we'll probably be under the state average then, too. But I get it, I get that people are going to say what's going on?"

Council members agreed, but they also pointed out that they will have to make tough decisions soon when it comes to the wastewater treatment plant.

"The biggest thing that came out of the meeting Wednesday was that the council knows that educating residents is going to be critical," City Clerk Karen Clemens said. "They want people to know they're not doing this because they want to, but because they have to."

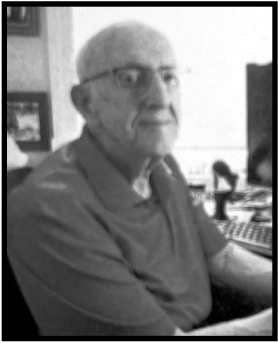
Council members didn't make any decisions during the work session, but Mai said his is that a facility plan can now be submitted to the DNR by the end of the year. Once that plan is approved, engineers can put together full-blown civil plans so that bids can be taken in 2025 and construction on the new plant — which will be located next to the current plant — could begin as early as in 2026.

"It's going to take two or three years to get it built," he said, "and you can't tear out the old plant or components of the existing until the new one is built. Obviously, if you want to flush a toilet, you need a plant in operation. ... I know this is going to be a tough one decision, but honestly, the city is at a point where we don't have much of a choice. We've got to keep moving forward on this or it will only cost us more in the end."

two School Board seats up for election and both incumbents — Jay Matthews and Nate Schwickerath — have said they plan on filing papers to run for a second term.

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Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high of 78 and a low of 57.

Friday: Partly cloudy early but chance of showers in the afternoon and evening; high 77, low 60.

Saturday: Showers likely later in the day with a high of 73 and a low of 56.

Sunday: Mostly cloudy with 50 percent chance of showers; high 68, low 53.

Extended forecast: Partly sunny start to the week with chances of showers as highs will be near 70 and lows will drop into the 40s.

Meetings

MONDAY

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.

History

- In 1780, during the American Revolution, American Gen. Benedict Arnold meets with British Maj. John Andre to discuss handing over West Point to the British, in return for the promise of a large sum of money and a high position in the British army.
- In 1792, the Legislative Assembly votes to abolish the monarchy and establish the First French Republic.
- In 1938, without warning, a powerful Category 3 hurricane slams into Long Island and southern New England, causing 600 deaths and devastating coastal cities and towns.
- In 1939, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt appears before Congress and asks that the Neutrality Acts, a series of laws passed earlier in the decade, be amended.
- In 1942, the U.S. B-29 Superfortress, the largest bomber used in World War II by any nation, makes its debut flight in Seattle, Washington.
- In 2008, the last game at historic Yankee Stadium — “The House That Babe Ruth Built” — is played as the Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles 7-3.

Birthdays

- English author H.G. Wells, who wrote “The War of the Worlds,” was born in 1866.
- TV actor Larry Hagman, who starred on hits like “I Dream of Jeannie” and “Dallas,” was born in 1931.
- Country superstar Faith Hill turns 56.
- American comedic film actor Bill Murray turns 73.
- American author Stephen King turns 76.

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Dirk Firman, 66

Dirk R Firman of Nashua — a man known for his selflessness, incredible sense of humor and huge heart — passed away at 66 years old on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023.

A celebration of life will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 22, 2023, at Dirk's favorite place, his backyard.

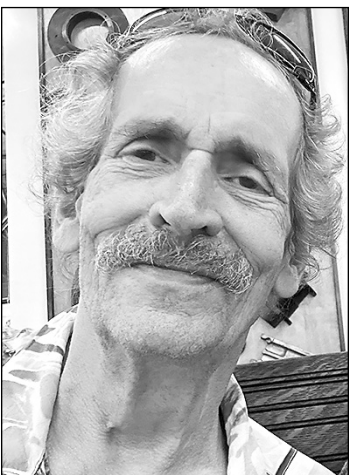
Dirk was born Sept. 19, 1956, in Charles City. He was the youngest son of Bruce and Margery (Scheu) Firman.

Dirk graduated from Nashua High School with the Class of 1975. Throughout high school, he worked at Shep's Standard Service Station. After graduation, he attended Rochester Community and Technical College. Dirk also worked for KLEU Radio Station in Waterloo and was a DJ at the Poison Apple in Cedar Falls.

Dirk always fondly told the story of how he met the love of his life, Janise E Abrams; they locked eyes from across the room while The Beatles' song “I Saw You Standing There” played in the background. They were inseparable ever since, making things official on Oct. 26, 1985, with a beautiful wedding ceremony on a houseboat on the Mississippi River. They were later blessed with two daughters, Tehrene and Karlissa.

In 1985, Dirk and Janise moved to Rochester, Minnesota, where they started their business TransVideo Teleproductions together. In 1990, they moved back to Nashua to raise their girls as they continued running their business.

Dirk adored his family and always made sure they knew it. He loved movie nights with his girls, tending to his tomato plants and garden, backyard bonfires with his wife, spending time with friends, jet skiing and boating, wearing his endless collection of funky shirts and Crocs, sitting in his favorite chair with his cat by



Dirk Firman

his side (Kitty Kat), listening to his favorite records, cooking up steak dinners with Harrington Sweetcorn and keeping up with the latest technology and gadgets.

Dirk was truly one-of-a kind. To know him was to love him. He noticed the little things that make life so beautiful and always took the time to appreciate them. He was always thinking of others and never passed up the chance to lend a helping hand whenever someone was in need. He was sunshine in human form and you always felt better after being in his presence. He was Cool with a capital C. The world won't be the same without him in it.

Dirk is survived by his wife of 38 years, Janise Firman of Nashua; two daughters, Tehrene (Clancy) Quinn of Asheville, North Carolina, and Karlissa (Beau) Westpfahl of Marion; his brother Steve (Jean) Firman of Cedar Falls; and many amazing nieces, nephews and grandpuppies.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bruce and Margery Firman.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family would be humbly appreciated beyond belief. They can be directed to Janise Firman to assist with expenses.

Mary Ann O'Neill, 88

Mary Ann O'Neill, age 88 of Osage and formerly of New Hampton, died Friday, Sept. 15, 2023, at her home.

A private family service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton with Father Jim Goerend presiding.

Interment will be held following the service at Calvary Cemetery in New Hampton.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences for the O'Neill family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Darwin 'Butch' Slick, 80

Darwin “Butch” Slick, age 80 of Fredericksburg, died Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023, at Whispering Willows Assisted Living and Memory Wing in Fredericksburg.

A private family service will be held at a later date. Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences for the Slick family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Robert 'Bob' L. Reissner, 98

Robert “Bob” L. Reissner, age 98 of Lawler, died Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023, at 11th Street Chautauqua Guest Homes in Charles City.

Private services will be held at a later date. Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory has been entrusted with services. Online condolences for the Reissner family may be left at www.hguebackfuneralhome.com.

Tina Larie Miller, 59

Tina Larie Miller, age 59 of New Hampton and formerly of Mason City, died Thursday, Sept. 14, 2023 at Linn Haven Rehab and Healthcare.

Private family service will be held at a later date. Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton have been entrusted with Tina's arrangements.

Tim Wurzer, 61

Tim Wurzer, age 61 of rural Elma and formerly of Lawler, died Friday, Sept. 15, 2023, at his home.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there will be a 7 p.m. funeral service.

The interment will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 29, 2023, at Mt. Carmel Catholic Cemetery in Lawler.

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

Randall 'Randy' Wilken, 67

Randall “Randy” Wilken, age 67 of Hiram, Georgia, died Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023, at the Guttenberg Municipal Hospital in Guttenberg.

Randall is the husband of Vicky (Ott) Wilken, formerly of Fredericksburg.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023, at Hillcrest Baptist & Brethren Church in Fredericksburg with the Rev. Scott Smith officiating.

Friends may greet the family from 9:30 to 11 a.m. prior to the service at the church on Saturday.

Property Transfers

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Ricky 'Slick' Kobliska, 55



Ricky Kobliska

Pallet Factory. His dedication to his work was a testament to his strong work ethic and commitment to his family's legacy. Ricky was also an active member of the Alta Vista community, often seen riding his scooter down the streets, his friendly wave and warm smile a familiar and comforting sight to his neighbors.

Music was a significant part of Ricky's life. He had a particular fondness for heavy metal bands, and he enjoyed listening to his favorite tracks at high volume.

An avid sports enthusiast, Ricky had a deep love for the Hawkeyes. He never missed a game and was always ready to cheer on his team. His interest in sports also extended to wrestling, with WWE being a favorite.

Ricky was a food enthusiast and loved exploring different cuisines. He was a constant presence at his nieces' and nephews' sporting events, always there to support and cheer them on.

Ricky also held a special place in his heart for his cousin's NFL games, never missing a

chance to watch him play.

Ricky cherished the time he spent with his girlfriend, Brenda Parks. They shared many memorable moments together, their friendship a testament to Ricky's ability to form deep and meaningful connections. Ricky also had a close relationship with his best friend, Del Mahoney and step-dad, Dale Roethler, who both played a significant role in his life.

Ricky was a man of faith, always kind and willing to lend a helping hand to those in need. His vibrant personality and kind nature will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Ricky “Slick” Kobliska's life was a testament to his kind and faith-filled spirit. His love for music, sports, family and his community was evident in everything he did. His memory will live on in the hearts of everyone who knew him, a beautiful reminder of a life well-lived.

Ricky is survived by his two brothers, Bobby (Krista) Kobliska of Independence, and Roger (Amber) Kobliska of Waverly; girlfriend, Brenda Parks of New Hampton; step-dad, Dale Roethler of Alta Vista; step-mother, Vickey Kobliska of Waverly; and nieces and nephews, Tylor Kobliska of Ionia, Josie Kobliska of Alta Vista, Kaden Kobliska of Riceville, Claire Kobliska of Waverly, Easton Kobliska of Waverly, Greyson Kobliska of Waverly, Kambry Kobliska of Waverly, Abby Barker of Des Moines, and Brady Barker of New Hampton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Darron Kobliska in 2000.

Nancy M. Flores, 77



Nancy Flores

enjoyed golfing together, dancing, attending movies, dining out and volunteering in their community.

Nancy had a tremendous capacity of love for her family. She loved her daughters and granddaughters to an incredible degree. Nancy also had a strong faith and is undoubtedly with God now.

She also was a great hostess and loved to cook and serve others.

Nancy was a talented interior designer and liked decorating

her home, especially during the holidays.

She took great pride in looking her best always, stylish and well-coordinated.

Those left to cherish memories of Nancy are her husband, Joe; children, Amy Flores, Heidi Andreasen, and Sara Flores; granddaughters, Emma, Madeline, Alexandria, Anastasia, and Addison; siblings, Odell (Maria) Iverson, Mary Lee Hoffman, Marvin (Linda) Iverson, Charlie (Barb) Iverson, and Judy (David) Berentsen; mother-in-law, Herminia Flores; siblings in-law, Margaret (Dick) Rodgers, Daniel (Joni) Flores, Stella Cumming, and Anita (Shaun) Stevenson as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and extended relatives and friends.

Nancy is preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Delores Korth McFadden, Martha Meyer and Joyce Halweg; father-in-law, Albert Flores; and brothers-in-law, Steve Flores, Louie Flores, Ronnie Hoffman, George Meyer, Ronnie Korth, Harlan Halweg, and Jeff Cumming; and sister in-law, Marci Flores.

Mary O'Donnell, 90



Mary O'Donnell

own apartment in St. Cloud, Minnesota. She took the civil service tests and applied for a job at the St. Cloud Reformatory in the records office; this was in some ways similar to essential record keeping as in the library. Mary worked as a clerk typist for 15 years in records until she retired at the age 66 1/2.

As for her hobbies and retirement years, Mary did some traveling through a bus company named Travel Easy. This company was right in St. Cloud. She truly enjoyed the many trips and companions during those first years of retirement.

She also enjoyed gardening, reading, working on puzzles, visiting her family, swimming and water exercise, as well as attending the cultural activities at the Paramount Theater.

She often thought of doing some volunteering in the community especially at St. Cloud Hospital. Over the next 13 years she volunteered for 4,500 hours. It was very rewarding,

and she was with many of her friends that she grew to enjoy.

When Mary's health started to decline, and memory problems started to surface she consulted her primary physician. They agreed that she needed to move to an assisted living facility and was encouraged to stop driving. Mary spoke with her immediate family, and they helped her move closer to her home territory to Leroy, Minnesota, which was only 22 miles from her home in Alta Vista. She lived there for many years before being transferred to Our House Memory Care in Austin.

Mary will be dearly missed by all that knew and loved her.

She is survived by her brother, Jim O' Donnell of Alta Vista; sister, Florence Reicks of Alta Vista; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, John and Agnes O'Donnell; siblings, Catherine (Francis) Dietrich, Irma (Bill) Lusson, and Margaret (Robert) Randak; brother-in-law, Cyril Reicks; and sister-in-law, Charlotte O'Donnell.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 22, 2023, at St. Bernard Catholic Church in Alta Vista. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service on Friday at the church. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery in Alta Vista.

Worlein Funeral Home of Austin is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.worlein.com.

Patricia Ann Roark Carney, 98

Patricia Ann Roark Carney passed away after a brief illness on August 30, 2023 at Ryan House-Hospice of the Valley in Phoenix at 98 years young.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 5, 2023, at Holy Family Church, New Hampton, with the Rev. Jim Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be held at Calvary Cemetery in New Hampton.

Friends may greet the family two hours prior to the Mass at the Holy Family Gathering Space at the church.

Online condolences may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Holy Family Church, New Hampton; Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler; or Ryan House-Hospice of the Valley in Phoenix.

Patricia was born on July 6, 1925 to Leo James Roark and Olivette Ann Clary Roark. She grew up in Lawler and attended Our Lady of Mt. Carmel grade school in Lawler and graduated from Lawler High School as valedictorian of her class at age 16.

Patricia played high school girls' basketball (6 on 6) and was able to provide her children and grandchildren a few good pointers on how to shoot the basketball properly.

She pursued further education at Clarke College (now University) and the University of Virginia.

On July 15, 1947, she was united in marriage to Gerald Francis Carney, son of Harry James Sr. and Lena Rehorst Carney at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Lawler. Gerald was an United States Naval officer and since they were a military family, their life was one of world wide moves—some adventurous, some difficult, some dangerous, but always loving.

Their family was their biggest joy and consisted of Dr. Patrick Gerald Carney, Amy



Patricia Carney

Leigh Carney Sandell and Bryon Roark Carney. Their children lived a military lifestyle with zeal and brought much happiness into their parents' lives.

Patricia was a musician and organist in her church in Lawler. While at Clarke, she and classmate Lois Walz performed "Dual Pianos" in concert and in the Dubuque community at various functions. When living in Virginia, she accompanied her life long friend, Dorothy McCall, a coloratura soprano, who performed in the Washington DC area at many eventful occasions.

In the Philippines, Patricia organized a choir and she and Gerald began a tradition with a children's choir that dressed in green and formed like a Christmas tree with flashlights illuminating their faces in front of a huge Philippine lighted pine tree. This brought Christmas joy to all those who were far away from home at the U.S. Naval Station in San Miguel, Philippines.

Gerald retired from the Navy after 25 years and after many, many moves throughout the US and the world, Patricia and Gerald returned to New Hampton in 1964.

Patricia was member of Holy Family Parish-St. Joseph Center, the Rosary Society, Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, Chapter DL-PEO Sisterhood, and American Legion Auxiliary.

Patricia and Gerald loved playing golf and traveled to Scotland to play some of the famous golf courses there. They loved to entertain and were part of a large bridge club in New Hampton and helped with many parties at the New Hampton Golf and Country Club. In the early 1980's, they started to go to Arizona in the winter months where Amy and Bryon lived. Patricia loved nice clothes and could outshop anyone who tried to challenge her.

She loved her family deeply. She attended all of her seven grandchildren's high school graduations in Iowa and Arizona and six grandchildren's weddings that have taken place in Iowa, California and Arizona.

Her Catholic faith was a mainstay for her. She was extremely proud of the fact that a baptismal gown that was made by her mother, Olivette Roark, in 1951 has been worn by all 21 of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In the years before Gerald's death in May 2014, Patricia was a caregiver for him. After moving from New Hampton to Clear Lake 2015, Patricia then moved to La Siena Senior Living in Phoenix in 2019.

Surviving Patricia are two sons, Dr. Patrick (Kathy) Carney of Clear Lake, and Bryon (Danna) Carney of Phoenix; one daughter, Amy (Dean) Sandell of Chandler, Arizona; seven grandchildren, Megan (Brian) Blackwood, Nate Carney, Chris (Nikki) Carney, Carly (Jared) Lepore, Jeff (Marissa) Sandell, Bronte Carney, and Peyton (Ben) Disbrow; 11 great-grandchildren, Hannah and Stella Blackwood, Hudson, Finn and Laken Carney, Colton, Harper and Chase Carney, Adalyn and Camille Lepore, and Max Sandell along with Jacob and Alex Buggie. Patricia was very close to her Carney "outlaw" Wayne Snyder.

Patricia was preceded in death by her husband Gerald and her parents.

Alvin E. Vsetecka, 91

Alvin E. Vsetecka, age 91 of Lawler, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 29, 2023, at Mercy One New Hampton Medical Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023, at Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Lawler, with the Rev. Nicholas Radloff, celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be held at a later date.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, 2023, at Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Lawler. Visitation continues an hour before the Mass at the church on Saturday.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences for Alvin's family may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Alvin was born July 5, 1932, to Frank and Annastasia (Klima) Vsetecka near Jackson Junction. He received his early education at School District No. 7 south of his home and at St. Wenceslaus Catholic School in Spillville, Iowa, until the eighth grade.

He received the sacraments at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Spillville.

Alvin was drafted into the Army with his training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and served most of his time in Korea



Alvin Vsetecka

until he was discharged. Upon his return home, he took over the family farm.

On Oct. 7, 1961, he was united in marriage to Patricia Brincks at St. Luke's Catholic Church in St. Lucas. This union was blessed with four children — Lowell, Linda, Joseph, and Jeffrey. The couple farmed north of Jackson Junction on the family farm until 1993, when they retired to Lawler.

Alvin enjoyed playing the accordion and listening to old-time music, speaking the Czech language, playing cards, driving around the countryside, visiting with their coffee group, cracking walnuts and hickory nuts and socializing.

He was a member of OLMC, Lawler, VFW in Ft. Atkinson,

and the Lawler Legion.

Alvin is survived by his wife of 61 years, Patricia "Pat" (Brincks) Vsetecka of Lawler; children Linda (Kevin) Luzum of Ft. Atkinson, Joe (Lisa) Vsetecka of Ft. Atkinson; and Jeff Vsetecka of Charles City; grandchildren, Cynthia (Matthew) Overmann, Jacob Luzum, Emily (Tyler) Barkau, Hanna (Mak) Kriener, Heidi Vsetecka, Josh Vsetecka, Lia Vsetecka, Kaitlyn (Katlynd) Vsetecka, Kelsey Vsetecka, Lindsey Vsetecka and Luke Vsetecka; great-grandchildren, Kaislee and Teegan Kriener and Landon Overmann; brother-in-law, Parnell (Diane) Brincks; sisters-in-law, Geraldine (Ronald) Tlusty, Verneal Koudelka, Mardell (Melvin) Sobolik and Ilene (Alvin) Stika; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Alvin in death is his son Lowell in 2018; his parents Frank and Annastasia (Klima) Vsetecka; his in-laws Ray and Hildegard (Dietzenbach) Brincks; four sisters, Elsie (Leonard) Chihak, Margaret (Leonard) Panos, Gertrude Vsetecka, and Marcella Vsetecka; five brothers, James (Edith) Vsetecka, Frank (Phyllis) Vsetecka, Cletus (Wilma) Vsetecka, Ray (Dolores) Vsetecka and Marceline in infancy; and brother-in-law, Bill Koudelka.

questions may be directed to 641-394-4714. The Chickasaw County Conservation Board is sponsoring the event and they look forward to seeing what wonderful dishes are made!

Tess Franzen makes DMACC president's list

Des Moines Area Community College President Rob Denson recently released the names of students eligible for the summer semester president's list. To be eligible, a student must have completed a minimum of six credits and earned a 4.0 grade point average for that semester.

Tess Franzen, a Liberal Arts major of Waucoma earned the honor.

Cattle show winners

The Simmental Cattle show was held at the 2023 Iowa State Fair, with Heartland Simmentals of New Hampton pulling in various awards, including:

- 1) Percentage Junior Bull
- 3) Purebred Senior Bull
- 1) Purebred Cow/Calf
- 1) Purebred Spring Heifer Calf
- Reserve Champion Purebred Cow/Calf

Maxine Joyce Cagley, 87

Maxine Joyce Cagley, age 87 of Waterloo and formerly of New Hampton, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2023, at the Friendship Village Retirement Community in Waterloo.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements.

Maxine Joyce Cagley — a devoted nurse and beloved aunt — passed away peacefully on Sept. 6, 2023, at Friendship Village in Waterloo.

She was born on Jan. 2, 1936, in New Hampton, to Marion and Bernice (Cushing) Cagley. Maxine was the sixth of seven children and grew up surrounded by the companionship of her siblings in Ionia.

Maxine moved to Waterloo, where she spent most of her life after graduating from high school.

She pursued her passion for helping others by attending the Allen Memorial School of Nursing. Maxine's journey in nursing was not just a career but a calling that she diligently followed until her retirement.



Maxine Cagley

Her dedication and compassion were evident in the care she provided to her patients, and her selfless nature was an inspiration to those around her.

While Maxine never married or had children, she played a significant role in the lives of her 16 nieces and nephews. She was a favorite aunt, always ready with a kind word, a listening ear and a generous heart.

Maxine was best known for her selflessness, kindness and generosity. She was sweet and

thoughtful. Maxine made a meaningful life through her giving nature, both in her professional capacity as a nurse and in her personal relationships.

Aside from her work and family, Maxine had a variety of interests that brought joy to her life. She found happiness in the simplest of things. Her positive outlook was a calming influence to those around her.

Maxine's passing is a significant loss to her family, friends and the community she served so faithfully. Her legacy of generosity and kindness will live on in the hearts of those she touched. Maxine Joyce Cagley, will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

Maxine is survived by her sisters, Shirley VanAnDel of Denver, Colorado, and Charlotte Markle of New Hampton; and her brother, Marion "Bub" (Esther) Cagley of Ionia.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Marion and Bernice Cagley; siblings, Robert Cagley, Gwen (Leslie) Schroeder and Barbara (Jerry) Meyers; and brother-in-laws, Johnny VanAnDel and Donald Markle.

Eileen A. Chihak, 84

Eileen A. Chihak, age 84 of Elma, died Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2023, at the Colonial Manor surrounded by family after an almost-year battle with Merkel cell cancer.

A Memorial Mass was held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 15, 2023, at Our Lady of Lourdes in Lourdes with the Rev. Jerry Kopacek celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery at a later date.

Friends greeted the family from 9:30 to 11 a.m. prior to the Mass at the church on Friday.

Eileen A. Klimesh was born June 5, 1939, on the family farm near Protivin. She was the eldest daughter of Edward and Evelyn (Loesch) Klimesh.

Eileen received her formal education through high school at Rudophium in Protivin, graduating with the class of 1957. After graduation, she furthered her education at Viterbo in LaCrosse and Upper Iowa in Fayette taking classes toward elementary education.

On May 9, 1959, she was united in marriage to Robert Chihak at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Protivin. To this union four children — Marianne, Patricia,



Eileen Chihak

Donald and Tony — were born.

Eileen worked a short time at Sara Lee in New Hampton before working in Fredericksburg at the creamery known as Meinerz, then Beatrice, and finally Conagra. She worked there a total of 28 years, retiring when Conagra closed in 2003.

Robert and Eileen raised their family and farmed west of Lourdes.

In the years before going to work in town, Eileen loved to garden, bake, and sew, making many outfits and dresses made

with lots of love. She enjoyed going to see the Texas Tenors and listening to Molly B, with her favorite song being "You Are My Sunshine."

She was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, serving on the altar and rosary society and was a religious education teacher in years past.

Eileen is survived by her children, Marianne (Steve) Kurash of New Hampton, Patty (Brian) Schrage of Cresco, Don of Elma and Tony (Lisa) of Le Mars; her beloved grandchildren, Amber (Steven) Kurash, Ryan Kurash, Austin (Brittany) Schrage, Morgan Schrage, Emily Chihak and Alex Chihak; two great-grandchildren, Laken and River Kurash; two sisters, Ellen Martell of La Crosse, Wisconsin, and Edna Klimesh of Spillville; one brother, Edmund Klimesh of Protivin; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Evelyn Klimesh; her husband, Robert in 2015; brother and sister-in-laws, Paul and Shirley Chihak, Joe and Marlene Chihak, Ray and Mary Valvoda; as well as brother-in-law Paul Martell.

Chickasaw County Veterans

If your name did not appear in our Chickasaw County Veterans' Honor Roll listing from the 2022 New Hampton Tribune's Veterans Tab, We want to know who you are and want to include your name FREE of charge.

The Chickasaw County Honor Roll will be published in the New Hampton Tribune's Veterans Day Special Section that will be part of the Tribune's November 9th issue and the Nashua Reporter's November 10th issue.

As a Veteran, if you would like to have your name or a family member's name included on our Chickasaw County Veterans Honor Roll, please fill out the form below and return it to the **New Hampton Tribune by October 20, 2023.**

Please help us update our Chickasaw County Veterans Honor Roll by filling out and returning the attached form if your name did not appear in the New Hampton Tribune's Veterans Tab.

Veterans Name _____

First

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Last

War Era _____ or Peacetime Service _____

Branch of Service _____

Dates of Service _____

Submitted by _____

Please return to:

New Hampton Tribune c/o Veteran's Tab
801 Riverside Dr., Charles City, Iowa 50616
or email the above information to
accounting@nhtrib.com by October 20, 2023

By submitting the above name you are honoring a Chickasaw County Veteran that is from, has lived in or is currently living in Chickasaw County. Please use one form per Veteran.

News Bits From Our Past Compiled By Terri Josephson

1948 (75 years ago)
• R.R. Messersmith, who operates the Messersmith Locker, will also make and sell home-made ice cream in his place of business. Machinery has been installed and he will be ready to serve the public the latter part of this week. Mr. Messersmith will feature bulk ice cream and Dixie cups in pints and quarts.

1973 (50 years ago)
• Starting the school year off as Chief Chicks are Geri Burgart, who plays first base, and Janet Rausch, who plays left field on the New Hampton girls softball team. Finding it difficult to choose just one Chickasawette, coach Carol Cordes chose both as each deserves the title. Coach Cordes said besides their athletic ability, Geri and Janet possess qualities that make them a key to the team's success, which is why they are team captains.

Both girls have raised their batting average to over .500. Janet and Geri lead the team in RBIs and both were voted "Most Valuable Player" twice by their teammates.

• Four candidates have taken out nominations for the mayoral race. The latest action was by Dan Harman, a former member of the city council. Papers have been taken out by the three present park board members, Claude Babcock Jr., Edward Conway and Wendal Liddle.

Incumbent New Hampton Mayor Walter Hugeback announced at the regular council meeting the he would not seek re-election.

1998 (25 years ago)
• The New Hampton varsity football team will be taking a 2-0 record into district play next week after shutting out Charles City 25-0 in the Big Red's final non-district game of the season.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Chickasaws opened up a 12-0 halftime lead on a pair of touchdowns by Jason Reicks. In the third quarter, the Chickasaw's Casey Tierney

rambled twenty-four yards for another TD and an 18-0 lead.

Although the Big Red would eventually snap the extra-point jinx of the first half, it would not be on this play as the conversion pass was incomplete. In the fourth quarter, New Hampton's Matt Shatek made the Chickasaw's fourth and final touchdown. Casey Tierney kicked the point-after to boost the final score to 25-0.

2013 (10 years ago)
• The Rotary Club members gathered with donors, city officials

and the Park Board to re-dedicate the Wooden Wonderland. The event included a short ribbon-cutting ceremony and a brat and hot dog meal on a picture-perfect night.

Some 20 years ago, the first woman president of the Rotary Club, Joyce Klunder, led the efforts to get the Wooden Wonderland built at Mikkelson Park.

The Rotary Club spearheaded the \$75,000 renovation project this year.

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LAB DRAW; URINE SAMPLE.....\$111.10 MC SHANE, SHELLEY.AUG NURSE MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT.....\$356.32 MID-AMERICAN.CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES.....\$600.00 MIENERGY COOPERATIVE.ELECTRICITY -AIRPORT LAKE & MUNSON PARKS.....\$3,700.92 MITKO.PARTS #206 & #64, HARDWARE #86 & #206.....\$131.61 MULLER, WENDEL.OCT MONTHLY LAND RENT @ NASHUA RADIO TOWER.....\$500.00 NASHUA REPORTER.JOB ADV, BRD MIN/CLAIMS.....\$1,077.87 NEAPOLITAN LABS.SECURE WEBSITE HOSTING & SUPPORT.....\$750.00 NEUTRON INDUSTRIES.CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES.....\$220.45 NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES.INTERNET/PHONE - AT-TORNEY.....\$384.23 NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE.ORD I-3, BRD MINUTES/CLAIMS, JOB ADV-AUD.....\$1,878.31 NEW HAMPTON, CITY OF.EMS UTILITIES.....\$116.75 NEW HORIZONS-CHAMBER.AUG TOUR CONTRACT @ CHAMBER.....\$903.56 NORTHERN IOWA THERAPY PC PT/OT/ST THERAPY.....\$12,980.00 ON TRACK SIGNS.DECALS FOR EMS GARAGE DOORS.....\$400.00 PAULUS, JUDY.AUG NURSE MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT.....\$286.89 PETERS, WENDY.AUG MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT.....\$333.40 PETROBLEND CORP.LUBRICANTS.....\$7,065.49 PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL.RODENT CONTROL - TPNC & LANDFILL.....\$35.33 POWER PLAN.PARTS #61.....\$889.47 QUILL.SHERIFF SUPPLIES.....\$74.15 RAPID PRINTERS / OFFICE WORLD ASSR OFFICE SUPPLIES/PRINT IN-SERTS.....\$603.73 RAY O'HERRON.FIREARM SUPPLIES @ SHERIFF.....\$2,012.23 RILEY'S.TONER & DRUM UNIT.....\$920.92 S & T COLLISION CENTER.19.5 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE @ SHERIFF.....\$112.64 SAFETY X-TREME.TRAFFIC SIGNS.....\$820.52 SANOFI PASTEUR INC.HIGH DOSE FLU VACCINE.....\$5,009.03 SAVE RITE MEDICAL.WOUND CARE SUPPLIES.....\$143.39 SCHLUETTER BODY SHOP & TOWING.REPAIRS TO DAVE'S TRUCK.....\$192.00 SCHUETH ACE HARDWARE - GEN, ENG, PLUMB SUPPLIES & HARDWARE.....\$1,290.85			SCOTT PHARMACY.INMATE MEDS @ FAYETTE JAIL.....\$108.93 SHEKLETON, SHEILA.REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEETINGS-MILEAGE/MEALS/LODGING.....\$869.72 SMILEMAKERS.BANDAGES FOR IMCLINIC - BILL TO IMGRANT.....\$30.70 STANTON ELECTRIC.EMS CORD REELS -ARPA.....\$890.96 THOMAS, KAYLEE.UNIFORM REIMB.....\$16.04 TIM KLEINSCHMIDT.BARREL FOR EPOXY PUMP.....\$40.00 TROYNA, SHIRLEY.REIMBURSEMENT FOR MILES/MEALS/ HOTEL.....\$425.44 TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES.HVAC CONTROL FOR RESCUE TRUCK.....\$153.04 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC.IN-CODE ANNUAL FEE.....\$64,233.26 U.S. CELLULAR CORPORATION EMA CELL PHONES 8/18-9/17.....\$335.84 UNI ROADSIDE PROGRAM.ROADSIDE CONFERENCE REG - CHAD, CALEB, JUSTIN.....\$285.00 V-21 DUST CONTROL.DUST CONTROL RESPARY D FREESE.....\$264.00 VANGUARD PUBLISHING.HW AD PUBLICATION ASSR OFFICE.....\$216.00 VERIZON WIRELESS/ VERIZON WIRELESS SERVICES.SHERIFF CELL/VEH LAPTOP SRVS.....\$907.01 VERN LAURES AUTO CENTER 19-3 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE @ SHERIFF.....\$2,192.39 VISA.ASSR LDGING.....\$497.28 VISA.FLIGHTS-SHERIFF TRAINING CONF.....\$2,564.63 WATSON, INDIA ANN.MEI CLAIM OF FEES - 8/31/2023.....\$235.00 WELTER, LISA.AUG MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT.....\$153.27 WEST UNION DENTAL ASSOCIATES.DENTAL EXTRACTION - INMATE.....\$191.00 WEX.GAS FOR ASSR VEH.....\$63.92 WINDSTREAM CORPORATION 911 PHONES.....\$278.48 WINDSTREAM 911 PHONES.....\$199.88 WINNESHIEK COUNTY SHERIFF SERVICE FEES - FECR013292.....\$77.15 WOLF, JANE.AUG MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT.....\$212.22 YSBRAND, MATTHEW.REIMBURS FOR MILEAGE/MEALS/HOTEL.....\$670.02 ZIP'S AW DIRECT / ZIP'S TRUCK EQUIPMENT.CHAINS - BRIDGE CREW.....\$494.94\$198,159.98
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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LESTER E. MAHLSTEDT JR., Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR003139 NOTICE OF SMALL ESTATE, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Lester E. Mahlstedt Jr., Deceased, who died on or about July 29, 2023: You are hereby notified that on September 5, 2023, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate. Notice is hereby 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	
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF IOWA, IN AND FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE INTEREST OF A.B. A Child. JUVENILE NO. JVVJ000899 ORIGINAL NOTICE TO: Cory Banc YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the above Court, a Petition in the above-entitled action, which prays the child in interest, be found to be a child in need of assistance. The Petitioner is the State of Iowa whose attorney is Charles Crain and whose address is 516 South Linn Avenue, PO Box 189, New Hampton, IA 50659. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that an adjudicatory hearing to determine whether the child in interest is a child in need of assistance as alleged in the Petition pursuant to Iowa Code 232.96 shall be held before the Juvenile Court on the 2nd day of October 2023 at 1:00 o'clock P.M. in the Courtroom of the Chickasaw County Courthouse in New Hampton, Iowa. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that a parent, guardian or custodian in a child in need of assistance proceeding has the right to be represented by counsel at all hearings subsequent to the filing of a Petition. If you wish to privately retain counsel, you should immediately notify the attorney of these proceedings. If you desire representation but you cannot afford to hire and attorney, you should immediately contact the Clerk of the abovenamed Court and request from	
and file with the Clerk an Application for Appointment of Counsel and Financial Statement. If you are determined to be indigent, the Court may appoint counsel for you at minimal or no cost to you. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that upon your request, the Clerk shall issue subpoenas requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of papers at the adjudicatory hearing. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED 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,	
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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES September 11, 2023 The Board convened on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. 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, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Engineer Roman Lensing, Terry Johnson, Kathy Shekleton, Citizen/Recorder Shirley Troyna, EMA/911 Director Jeff Bernatz, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, BarCom Eric Barker, Treasurer Matt Ysbrand, Nashua Mayor Alex Anthofer Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to approve the agenda for September 11, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Board of Supervisors Chair Matthew Kuhn asked for a minute of silence for the Remembrance of 911 on its 22nd anniversary. Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from September 5, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve the meeting minutes from September 6, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Public comment: Shirley Troyna asked the Board of Supervisors Suckow and Cerwinski what their thought process was for giving the ARPA funds to Secondary Roads? And discussion developed from the question. Attorney David Laudner was directed to find out if Nashua owns the Dam. Discussion on Conservation Department updates Discussion on Keonigsfeld CRP contract and consensus of the Board of Supervisors to have Attorney David Laudner look into it. Discuss resolution dated August 8, 1983, establishing a County Conservation Reserve fund for Land Acquisition and Capital Improvement. Discussion and proposed handbook changes. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to enter CLOSED SESSION UNDER IOWA CODE 21.5(K) REF IOWA CODE 22.7(50) TO DISCUSS SECURITY PROCEDURES AT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY at 10:38 A.M. Roll Call Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow Cerwinski, Kuhn. Motion carried Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to exit CLOSED SESSION UNDER IOWA CODE 21.5(K) REF IOWA CODE 22.7(50) TO DISCUSS SECURITY PROCEDURES AT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY at 11:02 A.M. Roll Call Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow Cerwinski, Kuhn. Motion carried Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Hackman to approve entering into a contract with BarCam for a security upgrade at the Courthouse using department 51 General Services, not to exceed \$30,000.00, and authorize chair's signature. Roll Call: All Ayes.Motion carried. Discussion with Engineer Roman Lensing about Secondary Road updates. Discussed and approve the Design Connection Bill for \$700.00 from ARPA for a retainer request to begin project at EMS Building.Prior minutes provided for this already. Motion by Hackman, seconded by	
Discussed Nashua Mayor Alex Anthofer letter of support to fund Alta Vista with \$28,835.26 for road project and previous cities request for ARPA funds. No action taken. Treasurer Matt Ysbrand discussed having two deputy positions, one in the Treasurer's office and one in the Driver License office. Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Kuhn to approve RESOLUTION NO. 09-11-23-76 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF A DEPUTY TREASURER FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE ISSUANCE WHEREAS, pursuant to Iowa Code section 331.903 the Chickasaw County Treasurer may appoint, with approval of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, one or more deputies; and WHEREAS, Chickasaw County Treasurer Matthew Ysbrand intends to appoint Brenda Schnoebelen as Deputy Treasurer for Driver's License Issuance effective September 18, 2023. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors approves of the appointment of Brenda Schnoebelen as Deputy Treasurer for Driver's License Issuance. HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors this 11th day of September, 2023. /ss/ Matthew Kuhn, Chairman, Ayes: Breitbach Cerwinski, Kuhn. Nays: Suckow, Treasurer /ss/Attest: Sheila Shekleton Auditor. The full text of the resolution can be obtained at the Auditor's Office or online on county's website https://www.chickasaw-county.iowa.gov under Departments, Board of Supervisors, Resolutions. Conservation Director Chad Humpal discussed landfill update. Discussion on Conservation Department updates	
Cervinske to acknowledge resignation of Toni Friedrich from Chickasaw County Medical Examiner Investigator position effective September 19, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Discussion about water connection permit for Heritage Center. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve and authorize Vice-Chair signature on Professional Services Agreement with I & S GROUP, INC. (ISG) for private gas pipeline installation inspection with Homeland Energy Solutions LLC. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinski, Abstained: Kuhn. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve prior bills \$335.00. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve bills of \$144,849.07. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Cerwinski, seconded Suckow to approve payroll check dated September 8, 2023. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Committee Assignments. Supervisor Cerwinski September 6, 2023, Cedar River Watershed Project Motion by Suckow seconded by Cerwinski to adjourn at 12:15 P.M. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Matthew Kuhn, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton, Auditor	
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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TODD J LENTZ,
Deceased,CASE NO. ESPR003124
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Todd J Lentz, Deceased, who died on or about May 14, 2023:
You are hereby notified that on June 23, 2023, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.
Notice is hereby 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

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TRUST NOTICE IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUST:
The Rene Reicks Revocable Trust dated February 8, 2012
To all persons regarding Rene Reicks, deceased, who died on or about November 9, 2022. You are hereby notified that the trustee listed below is the trustee of the The Rene Reicks Revocable Trust dated February 8, 2012 dated on February 8, 2022. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Chickasaw County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor and the spouse of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THERIN MATTHEW RENTSCHLER,
Deceased,Probate No. ESPR003092
NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Therin Matthew Rentschler, Deceased, who died on or about May 16, 2022:
You are hereby notified that on the 27th day of January, 2023, the undersigned was appointed as Personal Representative of the small estate administration.
Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims

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Briefs

So long summer event today

New Horizon-Chamber will be holding a So Long Summer event today (Thursday) in New Hampton.
The Chickasaw Country Pork Producers will grill and donate another Lunch for a Cause event similar to last year for the All Inclusive Park.
This year the proceeds will go to the Chickasaw Sno-Riders Club who are raising funds to build a permanent shed to ensure timely grooming for the public snowmobile trails in Chickasaw County.
A pork sandwich meal, which includes chips, dessert and drink will be available for \$10, with \$7 charged for the sandwich alone. Serving will be on Main Street from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., or until the food is gone.

Scrap metal drive is Sept. 30

The New Hampton Lions Club annual scrap metal drive will be held on Saturday, Sept. 30 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
The drive will be held in a new location from previous years, with L&S Supply — 2022 225th St. — being the new site for dropoffs this year.
A list of accepted material may be found on the New Hampton Lions Club Facebook page.

Landfill celebrates 50th Saturday

The Floyd-Mitchell-Chickasaw Solid Waste Management Agency will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the FMC Landfill on Saturday, Sept. 23.
The landfill will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for fishing at the front pond, a meal provided by the Mitchell Co. Cattlemen and there will be tours of the facility.
The facility is located at 3354 330th St., Elma., about seven miles west of Elma.

Hawkeye graduates

The following are Hawkeye Community College summer graduates and their programs of study. Some area students were also awarded Honors (3.5-3.74); Presidential honors (GPA 4.0).
Fredericksburg: Nathanael Pleggenkuhle, AA Liberal Arts.
Nashua: Brynn Wright, AA, Elementary Education.
New Hampton: Kennady Nie, AAS, Honors, Emergency Medical Services; Colton Rochford, Diploma, Presidential Honors, Heating and Air Conditioning.
Waucoma: Dylan Reicks, Diploma, Honors, Heating and Air Conditioning.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY BOARD ROOM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 5:15 P.M. The members of the Telecommunications Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 5:15 p.m. in the Telecommunications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton. Board members present were Babcock, Cantu, Dahl and Hendricks. Anderson was absent. Attorney Trevor Hurd and City Clerk Karen Clemens were also present. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Pro Tem Babcock at 5:15 p.m. Moved by Cantu; seconded by Hendricks; that the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Dahl; that the minutes of the regular meeting minutes August 14, 2023, be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson.. Motion carried. Moved by Dahl; seconded by Hendricks; that claims in the amount of \$78,394.48 be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; that the Finance Reports for August, 2023, be approved. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. Depository Name,Location of Home	Office,Maximum Balance in Effect First Citizens Bank,Mason City, Iowa \$7,000.00 Fidelity Bank & Trust,Dubuque, Iowa \$7,000.00 Luana Savings Bank,Luana, Iowa \$7,000.00 Bank Iowa,West Des Moines, Iowa \$7,000.00 Security State Bank,New Hampton \$7,000.00 Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Dahl; that Resolution No. 59 DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION, be approved. Ayes - Babcock, Cantu, Dahl, Hendricks. Nays - Anderson. Absent - Anderson. Resolution – approved. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; that the meeting adjourn at 5:31 p.m. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk JANINE BABCOCK, Board Chair Pro Tem	SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 5:15 P.M. Aureon,Transport Service \$2,685.00 Butler Bremer Communications,Wholesale Voice \$7,563.05 Black Hills Energy,Gas Service \$37.73 Cedar Falls Utilities,Wholesale Bandwidth \$1,110.00 Madison National Life Insurance,Life Insurance, AD&D, Supplemental \$73.85 Waverly Utilities,Transport \$899.95 New Hampton, City of,Utility Bill \$623.36 US Cellular,iPad Service & Device Payment..... \$65.57 Payroll Account,Salaries August \$29,075.28 Becky Babcock,Medical Reimbursemen \$593.28 BIG Network,Digital Base, Total Base, BTN..... \$303.36 Butler Bremer Communications,Wholesale Voice, Voice & Internet..... \$8,129.23 Calix, Inc.,Cloud Support \$4,746.76 CardConnect,Monthly Fee..... \$1,102.45 Cedar Falls Utilities,28E Agreement \$1,179.51 Five Star Coop,Gas \$146.85 Graybar,Fiber Pigtails, Slitter, Connectors, Cable \$5,176.47 High Plains Technology, Inc.,Agreement Microsoft 365 \$74.50 Innovative Systems,Monthly Maintenance \$3,638.76 Iowa One Call,Email \$39.60 Jendro,Refuse Pickup..... \$90.00 Karr Creative, LLC,Advertising on Social Media for August 2023 \$247.19 M.T.S., Inc.,Window Washing \$34.24 Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating, Inc.,Replace Belts & Air Filters on Air Conditioner \$196.35 National Cable TV Coop,Video Programming \$8,198.00 National Cable TV Coop,Paint \$149.29 New Hampton Municipal Utility,Iowa Fuel Tax Refund (Transfer from Pooled Cking) \$17.99	 New Hampton, City of,Utility Bill \$702.74 NIMECA,Disability Insurance \$78.27 Rapid Printers,Time Cards, Shredder, Paper \$403.37 Schueth Ace Hardware,Shelf Board \$19.24 Showtime Networks, Inc.,Showtime Package \$17.02 Vern Laures Auto Center, Inc.,Oil Change, Filter \$76.27 Waverly Utilities,Transport \$899.95 TOTAL TO BE APPROVED \$78,394.48 PAYROLL CHECKS WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 14, 2023 AFLAC,Supplemental Insurance \$72.18 Ameritas Variable Life Insurance,Deferred Comp \$90.00 Ameritas Variable Life Insurance,Deferred Comp \$90.00 EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes \$1,642.34 EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes \$1,720.55 Iowa Dept of Revenue,State Withholding Tax \$831.17 Treasurer, State of Iowa,IPERS \$3,597.70 Wellmark,Health & Dental Insurance \$2,885.81 TOTAL PAYROLL \$10,929.75 No. 23275 09/21/23

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City of Alta Vista Council Meeting Monday, September 11, 2023 The regular meeting for the City Council of Alta Vista convened on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Dean White, Rick Heying, Adam Roethler, Samantha Slick, and Amy Laures in the Alta Vista City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Crooks. Agenda was discussed. White made the motion, seconded by Slick to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. August 14, 2023 regular meeting minutes were discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by Heying to approve the August 14, 2023 regular meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion carried. Visitor concerns were discussed. Wanda Folkers was present and discussed the weeds on her neighbor's property. A letter has been sent to renter, a letter will now be sent to owner. Kayla Pride discussed people living in a RV on a property and a potential outdoor shower being used. Clerk will contact Emergency Management Director Jeff Bernatz on what can be done. Library was discussed. Fire Department was discussed. Chief Larry Laures gave an update on the utility truck. Fences were discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by Heying to open the public hearing for the fence variance for 208 E Wilson St at 6:14 pm. All ayes. Motion carried. Clerk read a letters from Tom Heying and Bill Ekwall, both of whom are not in favor of the fence variance due to lack of space to access their garages and concern over snow removal. Clerk read a letter from Dan Mahoney stating that the fence rule in the ordinance should be followed. Mike and Emily Nehl were present and discussed the difficulty it would cause Dale to remove snow from the alley and that the alley would be very narrow if there was an abundance of snow. Kayla Pride and Lori Johnson stated that they had no issues with the variance as it would not affect them. Councilmember Slick, who's fence variance is being discussed, informed the council that rather than a fence, survey markers would be used and stated that no variance is needed for survey markers. Mike and Emily Nehl were concerned on how far apart these markers would be and if they were ground level or taller and who'd be responsible if a car slid on ice in the alley and punctured a tire. Slick stated the markers will go the length of her property, on the property line, between 6 and 10 feet apart and are not ground level, but a couple feet tall, and that she would be responsible if a tire was punctured. After all comments were read and heard, Heying made the motion, seconded by White to close the public hearing for the fence variance on 208 S White Ave at 6:28 pm. All ayes. Motion carried. After discussion, there is no longer a fence, so approval/rejection is no longer needed. Fence on the city alley was discussed. Todd and Deb Koester sent a couple documents for the council to view. The documents showed the width of the alley and how far their garage is on the alley, showed that a LP truck could get in the back of the property with the alley blocked off due to the new driveway Koester's installed, a letter from Stacyville LP stating how much easier it is to fill the lp tanks with the new driveway, the concern of people using the alley irresponsibly. Roethler will speak to Koester's to see what can be done. White made the motion, seconded by Roethler to table this issue until the October meeting. S White Avenue and W Weber Street project was discussed. Roman Lensing sent a Form of Agreement for Professional Engineering Services from Erdman Engineering. The total design cost will be \$144,000.00 with the City being responsible for 60% of that. This amount would be due in 12 to 18 months. Street Finance Report was discussed. Resolution 2023-9-7 approving the FY 2023 Street Finance Report was read. White made the motion, seconded by Heying to approve Resolution 2023-9-7. Roll call vote. Ayes: Slick, Laures, Roethler, Heying, White. Nays: none. Motion carried. CD's were discussed. Clerk presented rates from local banks. Resolution	 accident on S White Ave on August 24. A truck pulling a grain dryer hooked onto a power line and pulled down 2 poles and disconnected many wires from resident's homes. A claim has been started with insurance company. Financial reports were not present due to ClerkBooks not being fully setup. City will continue to advertise for a treasurer Disbursements were discussed. Heying made the motion, seconded by Roethler to approve the disbursements. All ayes. Motion carried. August Disbursements To Whom,Amt,Purpose US Treasury \$1,689.92 Withholdings \$991.10 IPERS \$92.35 Buchholtz, Dale W \$1,153.36 7/23-8/5 Holthaus, Jarrett \$499.75 7/23-8/5 Wellmark..... \$713.30 Health Insurance Premium \$199.48 City of Alta Vista \$13,420.77 Utilities \$198.36 Alliant Energy \$198.36 Electric Purchase \$198.36 Fuel \$198.36 Cooley Pumping..... \$95.00 Portable Toilet \$198.36 Erdman Engineering, P.C. \$8,500.00 Site Survey \$935.88 Hawkins, Inc \$648.00 Chlorine \$120.31 Heiman \$120.31 Air Compressor- Michigan Truck INRCOG \$120.31 Dues \$27.00 Iowa One Call \$27.00 Locates \$1,311.00 Jendro Sanitation..... \$1,311.00 Garbage \$185.40 John Deere Financial \$15.09 Cleaners,Bin, Spray \$15.09 Leisure Time \$15.09 Water Shipment \$15.09 Microbac Laboratories, Inc..... \$15.50 Drinking Water Analysis \$155.87 Publications \$13,947.90 Sandy Fire Supply \$13,947.90	 SCBA Testing, SCBA, Cov Schwickerath PC \$484.39 Legal Fees \$460.80 Fusion Electric LLC \$210.00 Wastewater Permit \$15.50 Microbac Laboratories, Inc..... \$15.50 Drinking Water Analysis \$186.94 Windstream \$186.94 Telephone/Internet \$33.79 Jarrett Holthaus \$19.13 Clips and Sign \$19.13 Kevin Crooks \$19.13 Mileage \$1,153.36 8/6-8/19 Holthaus, Jarrett \$541.99 8/6-8/19 Kevin Crooks \$92.35 8/14 Meeting \$46.17 Rick Heying \$46.12 8/14 Meeting \$43.02 Adam Roethler \$46.17 8/14 Meeting \$46.17 Dean White \$46.17 8/14 Meeting \$46.17 Samantha Slick \$48,248.89 8/14 Meeting Library Account Flatjord, Christina \$275.58 7/23-8/5 Taylor-Griffen, Crystal \$156.60 7/23-8/5 Patricia Halvorson \$69.00 City of Alta Vista \$47.58 Utilities \$483.22 City of Alta Vista \$483.22 Payroll Liability \$131.61 Windstream \$241.78 Telephone/Internet \$241.78 Visa \$45.00 Supplies \$45.00 Barb McAvoy \$45.00 Shirts- Reissued Check- 1953 \$55.50 AV Express \$207.50 Pizza and Cookies \$207.50 AV Shopper \$243.93 Advertising \$243.93 Flatjord, Christina \$243.93 8/6-8/19 No.23277 09/21/23	 Taylor-Griffen, Crystal \$266.81 8/6-8/19 \$2,224.11 \$50,473.00 August Disbursements General \$22,361.30 Road Use Taxes \$8,866.04 Snow Removal \$720.12 Water \$981.97 Water Control..... \$1,079.46 Sewer \$14,240.00 Electric \$2,224.11 Library \$15,995.42 Economic Development \$0.39 Debt Services \$66.28 Total \$62,236.79 August Receipts General \$15,434.42 Option Tax \$3,834.42 Road Use Tax \$14,000.21 Water \$3,869.28 Sewer \$2,460.12 Electric \$15,995.42 Utility Deposits \$0.39 Debt Service \$66.28 Economic Development \$0.39 Library- Account..... \$66.28 Library- County \$6,201.25 Library- City \$375.00 Library- State \$375.00 Library Donations \$375.00 Library Sales \$375.00 Sales \$375.00 Transfers In \$375.00 Total \$62,236.79 Council and Mayor concerns were discussed. Council would like Clerk to send a letter to Daryl Steingale to no longer bring full trees to the dump site. White made the motion, seconded by Roethler to adjourn at 8:32 pm. All ayes. Motion carried. The next council meeting will be October 9, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Alta Vista City Hall. Kevin Crooks, Mayor Attest:Jarrett Holthaus, City Clerk

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ELECTRIC UTILITY - COMMUNICATIONS BOARD ROOM MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 5:00 P.M. The Board of Trustees of the New Hampton Municipal Light Plant met for regular meeting on Monday September 11, 2023 at 5:00 pm in the board room at the Communications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton, IA. Board members present were Babcock, Cantu Dahl, Hendricks. Anderson was absent. City Clerk Karen Clemens and attorney Trevor Hurd were also present. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Pro Tem Babcock at 5:00 p.m. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; that the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. Moved by Hendricks, seconded by Cantu; that the minutes of the August 14, 2023 regular meeting minutes be approved. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. Moved by Dahl, seconded by Cantu; that claims in the amount of \$857,622.96 be approved. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried. Moved by Cantu, seconded by Dahl; that the Finance Reports for August, 2023, be approved. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Anderson. Motion carried.	 H & R Block,Refund for Utility Deposit \$254.00 Madison National Life Insurance,Life Insurance, AD&D, Supplemental \$98.88 MercyOne New Hampton,DOT Physicals \$609.00 Visa,Tools, Sprayer, PPE, Engine Repair, SD Card \$2,219.00 New Hampton, City of,Utility Bill \$176.08 USPS,Postage for Utility Bills \$146.72 MercyOne New Hampton,Drug Screen \$110.00 Tyler Technologies,Annual Maintenance & Subscription,Fees \$10,580.53 US Cellular,iPad Service \$54.16 USPS,Postage for Utility Bills \$138.63 Rieks, Justin,Refund for Utility Deposit \$86.92 New Horizons- Chamber of Commerce Payments on Utility Bills \$492.67 New Hampton Tribune,Notice of Meeting \$59.95 Bryant, Julius,Refund for Utility Deposit \$35.00 USPS,Postage for Utility Bills.. \$127.82 Adair County Treasurer,Transmission Line Tax \$204.00 Amaril Uniform Company,Uniforms, PPE \$6,626.23 Black Hills Energy,Engine Fuel \$809.78 Bodensteiner Implement Company,Mini Excavator \$267.34 Bond Transfer,Monthly Transfer \$90.00.00 CarQuest of New Hampton,Cooling Tower Fan Belts \$215.45 Cass County Treasurer,Transmission Line Tax \$212.00 Chickasaw County Treasurer,112 E Main Property Tax, Transmission Line Tax \$7,958.00 Christie Door,Commercial Overhead	 Door Opener \$1,890.00 City Laundering Co.,Industrial Laundering Services \$130.98 Community Insurance of Iowa,Work Comp & General Liability Insurance \$5,668.00 Dallas County Treasurer,Transmission Line Tax \$164.00 DGR,Distribution, SCADA, Stolz Substation Projects \$14,967.50 Dakota Supply Group,Stolz Park Project \$3,206.50 Five Star Coop,Gas & Engine Fuel \$241,183.38 Fletcher-Reinhardt Company,Wrench \$92.02 Iowa One Call,One Calls \$39.60 Jendro Sanitation,Refuse..... \$90.00 L & R Manufacturing, LLC,Plate, Bolts, Washers \$141.12 Madison County Treasurer,Transmission Line Tax \$166.00 McMaster-Carr,Expansion Joints for Engine 3 \$459.80 Mick Gage Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Hose Clamp, Valve, Elbows, Pipe \$214.68 MidAmerican Energy,September WS-4 Payment \$58,000.00 MITKO,Generator Fuel Lines \$1,752.28 NAPA Auto Parts,Mini Excavator AC Charge \$79.99 New Hampton Municipal Utilities Phone Service \$129.80 New Hampton Municipal Utilities,Telecom Joint Expenses \$2,927.34 New Hampton, City of,Utility Bill \$339.38 New Pig,Oil Absorbent Mats \$1,136.32 NIMECA,Disability Insurance \$250.47 NIMECA,Property Taxes- 1st Half \$4,394.00 Polk County Treasurer,Transmission Line Tax \$3,354.00	 Pottawattamie County Treasurer,Transmission Line Tax \$7,412.00 Rapid Printers ,Shipping \$55.38 Schueth Ace Hardware,Tools, Batteries \$148.23 Skarshaug Testing Laboratory, Inc., Clean & Test Rubber Gloves, Sleeves \$360.81 Stuart C Irby, Co.,Glove Kit, Buckyard Stretch \$908.43 Superior Lumber Supply Co.,Lumber for Shipping Containers \$226.10 T & R Electric,Transformer Oil Testing \$1,140.00 Ziegler CAT,Engine Repairs #7 & #8 \$160,601.73 Zip's Truck Equipment,Lights \$107.40 Total \$947,622.96 Less Transfers \$90,000.00 TOTAL TO BE APPROVED \$857,622.96 PAYROLL CHECKS WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 14, 2023 AFLAC,Supplemental Insurance \$197.43 Ameritas Life Insurance,Deferred Comp \$1,092.99 Ameritas Life Insurance,Deferred Comp \$1,042.75 EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes \$7,197.60 EFTPS,FICA & Federal Taxes \$7,185.03 Iowa Dept of Revenue,State Withholding Tax \$3,683.17 Treasurer, State of Iowa,IPERS \$13,244.81 Wellmark,Health & Dental Insurance \$9,403.26 Total Payroll \$43,047.04 No.23274 09/21/23

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Game was great; family time was better

To say last week was strange for me would be an understatement. Spent several hours in the emergency room on Monday and I got to know my little home office very well the rest of the week.

Put it this way, I am not made for full-time working from home.

But by Friday night, I was back to normal, and yes, you are welcome, even encouraged, to insert the joke here about me and normalcy. Decision time had arrived as I made my way home from the New Hampton-Osage football game. Play it safe, rest up and spend a quiet weekend at home or get in a car and drive 7 hours and 12 minutes to Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and see my youngest son for the first time in 119 days. I chose the latter, and as I write this on Sunday in the midst of our seven-hour-plus drive home, I can tell you unequivocally that I have no regrets.

This has not been the football season Noah imagined for himself when he made the decision to leave Colorado's football program after the hiring of Deion Sanders last December. I have strong thoughts on the man called Prime Time and the way he treated the members of his new team when he flew into Boulder. None of those thoughts are good, Colorado's 3-0 start be damned, and if his way is the direction we're going, I will be done with college sports.

As a second-time transfer, though, Noah needs a waiver from the NCAA to play for Southern Illinois. Supposedly, the NCAA responds to waiver requests within 28 days. Noah submitted his request on June 15; he hasn't heard a thing since. My math skills may not be great, but I do know June 15 to now is greater than 28. Way greater than.

What's more is I believe — and yes I know I am not exactly an impartial observer — Noah's waiver request "checks" all the NCAA's boxes.

This, though, isn't an anti-Deion column or rant-against-the-NCAA piece. Instead, it's a column about family. I've never gone 119 days without seeing

one of my sons, and it felt like an eternity. I get that 119 days is nothing compared to what my grandparents endured when my dad was a young Air Force airman, and I also get that I have the luxury of almost daily phone calls and FaceTime.

But 119 days felt like forever to this dad.

So when Josh and I arrived at the campus of Southeast Missouri State late Saturday afternoon, I wanted to sprint to Houck Stadium and see my boy.

There he was — dressed in black shorts and a Saluki t-shirt — and the first hug in 119 days almost made me cry. Both Josh and I knew it was killing him not to have the pads and helmet on, but he smiled through it and said he'd see us after the game.

And what a game it was. SIU and SEMO is a rivalry game and they play for a "wheel." Don't ask me why; I was a fan, not a reporter, on this night.

Down 15-0 at halftime, Southern staged a rousing comeback, scoring the winning touchdown on a fourth-and-6 play with 11 seconds left to pull out a 26-25 victory.

When the Salukis scored, I exchanged high-fives Josh, hugged a fellow SIU parent I had met a few hours before and yelled myself hoarse.

When the game ended, we went even more nuts and suddenly I was engulfed in the tightest bear hug I had ever experienced.

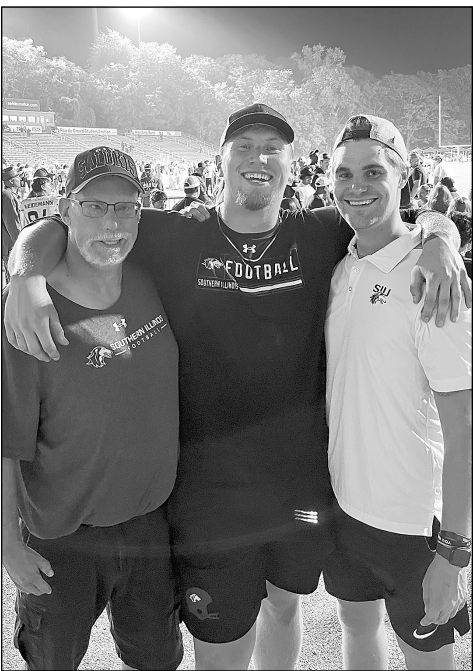
Noah had jumped into the stands and raced up the stairs to celebrate with Josh, his girlfriend Taylor and me. It was one of the most beautiful moments of my life, and before he left, I told him with conviction that I was "incredibly proud" of him.

You see, for the previous four hours, Noah was what I always wanted my boys to be — a consummate teammate. He helped his offensive line mates warm up, he encouraged them throughout the game, he celebrated big plays, hell, he even let a ref have a piece of his mind. OK, maybe that last one wasn't so good, but you get the idea.

After the game, watching him outside the locker room talking with Josh almost brought tears to my eyes.

The win — duh — helped, but to watch my two sons so happy and such good friends realized a dream I've had since my family was completed on that spring morning when Noah arrived into the world.

Josh has found a home as a teacher and



The Fenske Boys pose for a photo last Saturday night in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, after Southern Illinois' big win over rival Southeast Missouri State.

coach at Decorah High School, and Noah has found a home as a student-athlete at Southern Illinois.

The Salukis are coached by Nick Hill, whose wife Alicia is the sister of New Hampton resident Heather Rausch.

He is the kind of coach I want for my kids, and when he and the SIU offensive line coach, Dan Clark, told me that "Noah was a part of this," it meant the world to me.

They are stand-up guys who no doubt want to win football games but they also understand that the young men who play for them are more than football players.

The rest of the weekend was, to be honest, a bit of a blur. We drove the hour to Carbondale, stayed up way too late and gave each other the grief we always dish out.

We repeated the cycle for a bit on Sunday, and then Noah headed to the "facility" for a lift and meetings while Josh and I packed up and began our trek home.

It was a quick trip but so worth it, and as the sentimental old fool rides in the passenger seat of a car somewhere west and north of St. Louis, he is happy.

We're going back in two weeks, which is less than — way less than — 119 days.

Chickasaws host triangular with Janesville, Dunkerton next

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tives that describe these Chickasaws.

"Once our offense gets going, that definitely helps and kind of gets us in-sync," said Geerts.

Decorah continued to stick around for a large portion of the third game before Cahoy seemed to take over and score points at will. The six-foot, six-rotation player led New Hampton with 12 kills and her block ended the match.

New Hampton improved to 18-2 overall and 3-0 in league

play. The Chickasaws host Dunkerton and Janesville in a triangular at home tonight (Thursday).

New Hampton travels to Waverly-Shell Rock on Tuesday, Sept. 26. The Chickasaws have already topped the Go-Hawks — 21-17, 21-11 — at the Osage Tournament.

The Decorah match was the first time New Hampton had played since beating Crestwood 25-20, 25-12, 25-16 on Tuesday, Sept. 12.

Against the Cadets, New Hampton was led by the 1-2

hitting punch of Cahoy and Rosonke, who recorded 13 and 10 kills respectively

NEW HAMPTON 3, CRESTWOOD 0

New Hampton 25 25 25
Crestwood 20 12 16

Kills - Marissa Cahoy 13, Braelyn Rosonke 10, Hailee Pesek 4, Jenna Heeren 4, Paige Steinlage 3.

Assists - Molly Wegner 22, Steinlage 10.

Digs - Cahoy 13, Pesek 8, Taylor Ries 8, Claire Geerts 8, Steinlage 7, Wegner 5, Heeren 2.

Blocks - Cahoy 2, Pesek 1, Heeren 0.5, Rosonke 0.5.

Serving - Wegner 14-14, Cahoy 13-16, Ries 12-12, Pesek 10-11, Steinlage 7-8, Geerts 5-5, Heeren

1-1, Aces - Ries 1.

NEW HAMPTON 3, DECORAH 0

NH 25 25 25
DEC 23 8 21

Kills - Cahoy 12, Pesek 6, Rosonke 6, Steinlage 4, Heeren 3, Wegner 1. Assists - Wegner 20, Steinlage 7, Pesek 1.

Digs - Pesek 9, Steinlage 7, Geerts 6, Cahoy 6, Ries 5, Wegner 4, Heeren 2.

Blocks - Pesek 2, Cahoy 1, Heeren 1, Rosonke 1.

Serving - Geerts 9-10, Wegner 7-7, Pesek 6-8, Ries 1-1, Cahot 6-10, Heeren 20-21, Steinlage 10-11.

Aces - Heeren 3, Cahoy 2, Steinlage 1.

New Hampton fresh-soph team starts fast, routs Osage 48-0

The New Hampton fresh-soph team appeared to learn a lesson from its game the week before on Friday night as the Chickasaws rolled to a 48-0 win over Osage.

In its previous Friday night clash, New Hampton had to rally from a 22-0 first quarter deficit to pull out at 32-30 win at MFL-Mar-Mac.

"We, as coaches, felt we were more focused to start this game," coach Dennis Pagel said. "We had a lot of positives. We were able to get everyone some playing time. We did not have to punt. Our special teams had three blocked punts."

New Hampton got on the board in the first quarter when Peyton Erlandson caught a 29-yard pass from Cargin Robinson and then blew the game open with a 20-point second quarter that included a touchdown fumble return by Jack Kellogg, a 29-yard touchdown reception by Dylen Schmitt and a touchdown run by Jay Pickar.

Meanwhile, the New Hampton defense was stout in the shutout, holding Osage to just 82 total yards as Jayden Bucknell had five tackles, Cade Carpenter blocked a pair of punts and 19 Chickasaws found their way on to the tackle chart.

NEW HAMPTON 48, OSAGE 0
Osage 0 0 0 0 - 0
NH 8 20 6 14 - 48

NEW HAMPTON SCORING

Peyton Erlandson 29 pass from Cargin Robinson (Jay Pickar run)

Jack Kellogg fumble return (conversion failed)

Dylen Schmitt 29 pass from Robinson (Chase Humpal run)

Jay Pickar 24 run (conversion failed)

Robinson 2 run (conversion failed)

Weston Praska 2 run (Pickar run)

Cade Carpenter 12 run (Jayden Bucknell run)

TEAM STATS
O NH
Rushes-yards 27-14 27-179

Passing yards 68 105
Total yards 82 284
Att-Comp-Int 17-5-0 11-9-0

NEW HAMPTON STATS

Rushing - Jay Pickar 8-60, Cade Carpenter 5-56, Kale Venem 7-53, Dylen Schmitt 1-8, Jaxson Porath 1-2, Weston Praska 1-2, Cargin Robinson 3-0, Caden Rochford 1-(-3).

Passing - Robinson 6-8-0 - 95, Rochford 3-3-0 - 10.

Receiving - Peyton Erlandson

2-44, Kinnick Wisner 2-3, Schmitt 1-29, Pickar 1-19, Porath 1-6, Venom 1-2, Chase Humpal 1-2.

Tackles - Jayden Bucknell 5, Carpenter 4, Jack Kellogg 4, Dylan Maloy 4, Praska 3, Pickar 2, Humpal 2, Schmitt 2, Jacob McDonald 2, Emmett Kuehner 2, Wisner 2, Gabe Larson 1, Roy Barron 1, Venom 1, Braden Manson 1, Lohen Tank 1, Troy Federspiel 1, Porath 1, Andy Pederson 1.

Blocked punts - Carpenter 2, Bucknell 1.

Fumble recovery - Kellogg 1.

Kickoffs - Pickar 7-37.3, Venem 1-33.

Kickoff returns - Carpenter 1-13.

Punt returns - Pickar 1-13, Wisner 1-5.

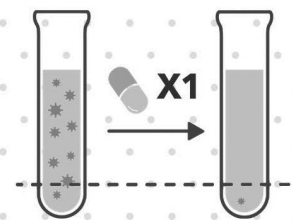
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New Hampton quarterback Reid Rausch (above) has a clean pocket to get a throw off in the second half of Friday’s game while Chickasaw Bryar Usher (below) makes a tackle near the sideline.

Chickasaws aim to get first win of season in Oelwein

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struggled most of the night, and after that goal-line stand, New Hampton couldn’t get a first down, the Chickasaws were forced to punt and Osage had great field position.

And the roof caved in as the Green Devils lit up the scoreboard with 26 points in the second quarter. Osage quarterback Max Knudsen threw three touchdown passes and the Green Devils also scored on an interception return.

“We knew that their passing game would be good,” Frerichs said, and they weren’t wrong as Knudsen finished the night 12-for-24 for 200 yards and also rushed for 78 yards on nine carries.

But New Hampton was its own worst enemy at times. The Chickasaws had four turnovers and a punt blocked.

Not until late in the game did New Hampton get on the board, and they did so after Osage, up by 40 points, put its starters back into the game to try to keep a Chickasaw offense with plenty of reserves on the field out of the end zone.

But New Hampton’s Ethan Praska, who finished the night with 49 yards on 12 rushes, scored on a 4-yard run to avoid New Hampton’s second blanking of the season.

Praska’s 49 yards were more than half of New Hampton’s 89 yards of total offense.

Defensively, the Chickasaws showed improvement when it came to the ground game, holding an opponent under a 100 yards in a game for the first time in 2023.

Osage finished with 96 yards on 25 rushes, and New Hampton’s defense was led by Bryar Usher and Talyn

Class 2A, District 3 Football

	Dist.	All
Osage	1-0	3-1
Crestwood	1-0	1-3
North Fayette V	1-0	1-3
Waukon	0-1	1-3
New Hampton	0-1	0-4
Oelwein	0-1	0-4

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15, GAMES

Osage 40, New Hampton 6
Crestwood 54, Oelwein 14
North Fayette Valley 34, Waukon 7

FRIDAY, SEPT. 22, GAMES

New Hampton at Oelwein
Crestwood at Waukon
North Fayette Valley at Osage

Bohaty, each of whom were in on four tackles. Junior Tristen Willadsen added 3.5 tackles, including 2.5 for losses, while Robinson also had 3.5 tackles.

The hope, of course, is to get that elusive first win this week in Oelwein, a team that suffered a 52-14 thrashing at the hands of previously winless Crestwood.

Oelwein started the season competitively — falling to Class 3A Charles City 26-14 and losing to Jesup 20-6 but has been outscored 112-20 the past two weeks.

OSAGE 40, NEW HAMPTON 7									
Osage	0	26	14	0	-	40			
NH	0	0	0	7	-	7			

SECOND QUARTER

O - Quinn Street 22 pass from Max Knudsen (pass failed), 10:36.

O - Madden Uhlenhopp 42 pass from Knudsen (pass failed), 7:24.

O - Sage Christensen 24 pass from Knudsen (Bradyn Blair run), 3:37.

O - Street 35 interception return (kick failed), 2:15.

THIRD QUARTER

O - Brock Trees 2 run (Tucker Stangel kick), 10:20.



O - Stangel 50 blocked punt return (Stangel kick), 5:45.

FOURTH QUARTER

NH - Ethan Praska 4 run (Jack Shawver kick), 3:22.

TEAM STATS

	O	NH
Rushes-yards	25-96	29-56
Passing yards	200	33
Total yards	296	89
Att-Comp-Int	24-12-0	23-5-3

NEW HAMPTON INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rushing - Ethan Praska 12-49, Jaxon Eckley 10-23, Ethan Swehla 2-1, Ben Gilbert 2-(-1), Reid Rausch 3-(-16).

Passing - Gilbert 0-4-0 - 0, Rausch 5-19-3 - 33.

Receiving - Adam Ewert 3-30, Beau Serie 2-3.

Tackles - Talyn Bohaty 4, Bryar Usher 4, Ty Robinson 3.5, Tristen

Willadsen 3.5, Marshall Zeien 3, Gilbert 3, Ewert 2.5, Tate Schwickerath 2, Cael Laures 1.5, Kam Josephson 1.5, Praska 1.5, Eckley 1, Swehla 1, Leander Reicks 1, Ryan Willadsen 1, Kyson Kielman 0.5, Ty Shekleton 0.5, Logan Thiele 0.5, Gatlin McCumber 0.5, Caleb Rochford 0.5, Braden McShane 0.5.

Tackles for loss - T. Willadsen 2.5, Usher 1.5, Eckley 1, Josephson 0.5, Kielman 0.5, Shekleton 0.5, R. Willadsen 0.5, Swehla 0.5, McShane 0.5, Robinson 0.5.

Sacks - T. Willadsen 1, Eckley 0.5, Robinson 0.5.

Fumble recoveries - Robinson 1. Kickoff returns - Ewert 2-8.0, Olandreon Saunders 2-0, Serie 1-9, Schwickerath 1-7, Bryce Flugum 1-5.

Punt returns - Ewert 1-6.

Kickoffs - Shawver 2-46.0.

Punts - Ewert 9-22.7.

Trojans keep focus during homecoming week

TV FOOTBALL: FROM 18

getting ready to play.”

TV (3-1, 2-1) meant business on this evening as the offense rolled to a 76-25 district win over Central Elkader where Scott’s Trojans came within one score of matching the school record for points scored in a game.

The school record for points in a contest at Turkey Valley was orchestrated in 2019 – the year Scott led his Trojans all the way to the state semifinals down at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls. Had it not been for a continuous clock (35-point rule) that can now be tripped in the first half of prep football games in Iowa, TV may have equaled or even surpassed that school record scoring output of 84 points that was slapped up on the scoreboard in a rout over Springfield four years ago.

As is the case after most touchdowns – prep or college bands play the school song after each foray into the end zone. That meant Trojan fans got an earful of the Turkey Valley.

Time stood still in the first 12 minutes of play as TV quickly and repeatedly found the end zone – which stopped the clock every other minute in a chaotic 38-point first quarter that saw the Trojans fire away five touchdowns. Central also scored two touchdowns of its own to make for an exciting, yet frantic first stanza for stat keepers and clock stoppers.

While there was no definitive consensus on how long the first quarter took to be put in the books, it was fast approaching 45 minutes of actual time after J.D. Kruse’s 30-yard scoring

8-Man, District 3 Football

	Dist.	All
Don Bosco	3-0	3-1
Turkey Valley	2-1	3-1
Kee	2-1	3-1
Riceville	1-1	3-1
West Central	1-2	1-3
Central Elkader	0-2	0-4
Waterloo Christian	0-2	0-4

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15, GAMES

Turkey Valley 76, Central Elkader 25

Don Bosco 68, Kee 34

Riceville 36, West Central 0

SATURDAY, SEPT. 15, GAME

GMG 72, Waterloo Christian 47

FRIDAY, SEPT. 22, GAMES

Clarksville at Turkey Valley

Don Bosco at West Central

Riceville at Kee

Waterloo Christian at Central Elkader

strike from Logan Busta capped the first quarter’s final touchdown tally.

“They’re getting better – the younger kids,” said Scott, in his 21st season as TV head coach. “Even our last group tonight did a good job of running the offense there and running the ball hard.”

The first play of the second quarter saw TV recover a fumble at the Central 19-yard line after a botched Warrior snap.

Kruse struck again for a 19-yard TD pass the very next play, but the touchdown was wiped out because of an illegal man downfield. Oliver Schmitt – TV’s all-state senior running back/linebacker – wasted little time in making his rushing touchdown stick. The next snap after the yellow laundry was

thrown on to the field, he raced untouched into the end zone from 24 yards out after a nifty cutback move left defenders in his wake.

TV attempted two passes all night – both by sophomore signal caller Logan Busta – and they each went for touchdowns.

The Trojans didn’t need to pass as they ran at will against the Warriors. TV accumulated over 351 yards on the ground on 49 carries – which amounted to 8.5 yards a crack.

All told, TV racked up 10 touchdowns – eight of them rushing. Schmitt zoomed his way to two scores on the ground and Burke Busta did the same. Busta cracked the century mark in rushing with 105 yards on 10 carries. Schmitt tallied 73 yards on seven carries.

Schmitt is third in 8-Man in all-purpose yards (916) and has run for 602 yards on the ground with 11 scores in four games. Busta has popped off for 266 yards rushing.

Trojan senior wideout Caleb Kurtenbach reeled in his second receiving touchdown of the season on a 20-yarder where he snared the ball left sideline and could have walked into the end zone there was so much room to roam on his scoring jaunt midway through the first period.

Kurtenbach talked about the week’s homecoming festivities – where he saw his buddy and partner in crime – Schmitt – be crowned homecoming king.

“You have your fun, but then once 3:30 rolls around on Friday you’re starting to get locked back in because you still got a game to play,” said Kurtenbach.

Like a lot of 8-Man squads,

TV is not senior laden; just five seniors are on the roster.

“We still have five seniors, but there’s not a lot of minutes out there. We’re still learning every week and trying to get better every week no matter who we play,” Kurtenbach said.

TV is fifth in 8-man play with 31 offensive touchdowns scored on the season. The Trojans average 55 points of offense halfway through the eight-game regular season schedule.

The Trojans sport the second-most solo tackles in 8-Man with 168. TV sacked Central quarterback Kale Doeppke eight times. Schmitt was in the backfield all night with 3.5 sacks and led his Trojans with eight tackles. Burke Busta registered 7.5 stops.

A key player up front for TV is senior defensive end Russell Nieman, who came up with his first sack of the season against Central and tallied 4.5 tackles.

“If we’re making mistakes and winning by this much, we feel like we clean some stuff up and play good against good teams,” said Nieman, TV’s two-sport senior star that also runs cross country.

Nieman pointed to TV’s only loss of the season – a 68-56 setback to Kee High in week two – as a driving force this fall. The Hawks scored early and often en route to over 500 yards of total offense.

“We saw it against Kee. We need to get some pressure up front and make that throw under duress. We’ve got a lot of work to do because we’re a youngish team,” said Nieman. “That Kee game was really a reality check. We thought Coon Rapids was a good team that we

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

New Hampton cross country at Grundy Center, 4:30 p.m.
New Hampton volleyball vs. Janesville and Dunkerton, JV at 5:30, varsity to follow

FRIDAY

New Hampton football at Oelwein, 9th at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Turkey Valley football vs. Clarksville, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

New Hampton 9th volleyball at Mason City tournament, 9 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton 9th volleyball at Charles City, 5 p.m.
Turkey Valley JV football at West Central, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY

New Hampton cross country at Jesup Golf & Country Club, 4:15 p.m.
New Hampton volleyball at Waverly-Shell Rock, 9/JJV at 5 p.m., JV at 6 and varsity at 7:15 p.m.
Turkey Valley 9/JV/varsity volleyball at MFL MarMac, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

Turkey Valley 9/JV/varsity volleyball vs. Clayton Ridge, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

New Hampton football vs North Fayette Valley (Homecoming) 9th at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Turkey Valley football vs. Waterloo Christian, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

New Hampton varsity volleyball at Waverly-Shell Rock, 9 a.m.
New Hampton cross country at Crestwood Invitational, 9:30 a.m.





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Turkey Valley’s Caleb Kurtenbach (above) races to the end zone after making a catch while Burke Busta (below) takes advantage of some great blocking to break off a big gain.



beat. We kind of got punched in the mouth here against Kee. That’d be someone we’d certainly want to see in the playoffs.”

TV hosts Clarksville in an intriguing non-district match-up in Jackson Junction Friday night. The Indians are undefeated (5-0, 3-0) and lead the state (all seven classes) in rushing with 1,740 yards.

“They’ve thrown the ball eight times. They’re more of a run-at-you team,” said Scott. “We’ll make sure we tackle well. That’s something we’re always working on – making sure we tackle.”

TURKEY VALLEY 76, CENTRAL ELKADER 25

CE	12	0	0	13	-	25
TV	38	24	14	0	-	76

FIRST QUARTER

TV - Burke Busta 7 run (Caleb Kurtenbach pass from Oliver Schmitt) 8:08

TV - Kurtenbach 20 pass from Logan Busta (Busta run) 6:15

CE - Jack Scherf 51 pass from Kale Doeppke (kick failed) 4:55

TV - Schmitt 10 run (L. Busta run) 3:52

CE - Owen Hammersland 56 pass Doeppke (pass failed) 3:36

TV - B. Busta 43 run (Schmitt run) 2:56

TV - J.D. Kruse 30 pass from L. Busta (run failed) 1:34

SECOND QUARTER

TV - Schmitt 24 run (Schmitt run) 11:43

TV - L. Busta 16 run (Busta run) 10:18

TV - Treyton Franzen 3 run (L.

Busta run) 3:15

THIRD QUARTER

TV - Franzen 1 run (Kaden Schmidt run) 6:59

TV - Schmidt 1 run (run failed) 0:16

FOURTH QUARTER

CE - Hammersland 30 run (pass failed) 9:17

CE - Hammersland 8 run (Hammersland kick) 0:52

TEAM STATS

	CE	TV
Rushes-yards	23-57	49-351
Passing yards	126	50
Total yards	183	401
Att-Comp-Int	14-5-02-2-0	

TURKEY VALLEY STATS

Rushing - Treyton Franzen 14-70, Kaden Schmidt 11-53, Burke Busta 10-105, Oliver Schmitt 7-73, Parker Reicks 4-25, Logan Busta 2-22, Caleb Langreck 1-5.

Passing - L. Busta 2-2-50.

Receiving - J.D. Kruse 1-30, Caleb Kurtenbach 1-20.

Tackles - Schmitt 8, B. Busta 7.5, Kurtenbach 4.5, Russell Nieman 4.5, Schmidt 3.5, Jordan Kriener 3.5.

Franzen 3, Hunter Kruse 2, Mitchell Kriener 1.5, Caden Tiedt 1, Jayden Rausch 1, Langreck 1, J.D. Kruse 1, L. Busta 0.5, Tucker Reicks 0.5, P. Reicks 0.5.

Tackles for loss - Schmitt 3.5, B. Busta 1, Nieman 1, Franzen 1, J. Kriener 1, H. Kruse 0.5.

Sacks - Schmitt 3.5, B. Busta 1, Nieman 1, Franzen 1, J. Kriener 1, Kruse 0.5.

Fumble recoveries - Schmitt 1-0.

Kickoff returns - Schmitt 3-83, Schmidt 1-10, Kurtenbach 1-9, Franzen 1-2.

Kickoffs - Schmitt 9-417, J. Kriener 2-42.

Punt returns - Schmitt 2-42.



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Tegan Dungey (left) and Megan Pickar run for New Hampton at Osage last week Tuesday.

Pickar medals at Osage, Indee

New Hampton looks to finish month strong prior to stretch run

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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New Hampton senior Megan Pickar couldn't wait for the start of cross country this season. So she ran and kept on running.

"I have really high expectations for myself. I've been training already this summer all season for this," said Pickar.

Then she had to wait for her first official regular season race as a newcomer on Jamie Ohrt's Chickasaw squad.

That's because New Hampton's first three meets – two at Charles City and one at the Wartburg Max in Waverly – were called off because of heat-related conditions.

The wait was well worth it as Pickar – a veteran runner for the NH girls track team this past spring that ran on the Chickasaws' 12th-place 4x800 relay at state – has medaled twice now in two of her first three XC meets of the year.

"Over the years Megan has seen much success during the track season, so cross country was a natural fit. Plus, she's an extremely coachable runner who has been an incredible role model for younger Chickasaws. She may not be a veteran cross country runner, but she definitely carries herself as one through her leadership and competitive nature," said Ohrt.

Pickar is also pulling double duty this fall as she's a member of Jess Geerts' seventh-ranked Chickasaw volleyball squad.

"Megan truly is a breath of fresh air and we're honored to share her with the volleyball team," said Ohrt.

Pickar's work ethic and talent is driving her up the leaderboard in races at a fast pace.

Her first meet was at Luther College in the All-American meet. She finished 103rd among 241 runners in 22:28.

"It was intimidating, but it was a first good meet," smiled Pickar.

Then the Chickasaws travelled to Osage last week Tuesday where Pickar cut 27 seconds off of Luther's clip. She medaled in a 10th-place time of 22:01. She then made it two medals in a row at Independence on Thursday with a 21:12 – almost 49 seconds faster than her second run ever in the sport of cross country.

Pickar's commitment to the team and accomplishments in her first year of running XC have been nothing short of amazing. It will be interesting to see where her times dip to when her Chickasaws will run at the state qualifier in less than a month.

"Last season was my first time doing a mile (in track), so now I'm transitioning to three," said Pickar about the XC meets that are 5K (3.1 miles) in distance.

Pickar is still learning the ropes when it comes to the intricacies of a challenging sport where it's important to know when to put your foot on the gas and when to pull off the throttle and slow down. That often means not exerting all her energy at the start of a race.



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Calyb Zeien (left) and Connor Stumme (above) run the course at Osage and NH XC coach Jamie Ohrt (below) smiles while watching her Chickasaws cross the finish line at the Mitchell County Nature Center on Tuesday.

"You have to really focus on your breathing and just making sure you're not getting out too fast. You gotta know where you're at in running," Pickar added.

As far as newcomers go, freshman Connor Stumme has made a big splash and continues to impress Ohrt and the Chickasaw coaching staff.

Stumme placed 20th at Osage – which holds its meets at the Mitchell County Nature Center – in a time of 19:24. He ducked under 19 minutes for the first time in his career at Indee. Like Pickar – he ran the best race of his burgeoning career in 18:54. That left him one spot outside the top 15 (last remaining medal spot), but his progress up until this point has Ohrt excited to see what top time Stumme can come up with next.

"Connor has made the transition from middle to high school look extremely easy; however, this transition is not an easy feat for most runners," said Ohrt. "One of Connor's season goals is to qualify for state, which is definitely obtainable if he continues to move up and refuses to be comfortable during any race."

Chickasaw junior Calyb Zeien improved his time from Osage to Independence by over 21 seconds. He crossed the tape in 24th place at Indee in 19:33. He was 27th at Osage in 19:54.

"Calyb has certainly become a contender this season. He continues to shave off time and attack those hills in true, cross country fashion. I cannot wait to see what he's capable of at districts. I may remind myself to breathe!" said Ohrt.

Tegan Dungey, a sophomore, medaled at Osage in 22:42. That was good for 14th place. She did not run at Independence.

Another first-timer out this year on the varsity level is freshman Kailynn Gebel. She placed 22nd in 23:45 at Osage and 37th at Indee in 23:12. That's



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a 33-second drop in time for Gebel. The NH girls placed third overall as a team at Osage with 82 points. The Chickasaws were fifth at Independence with 150 points. The NH boys wound up eighth at Osage and seventh at Indee.

New Hampton ran Tuesday at Waukon and competes at Grundy Center tonight (Thursday).

OSAGE INVITE GIRLS TEAM SCORES

Crestwood 58, Forest City 60, New Hampton 82, Osage 86, Mason City Newman 96, Nashua-Plainfield 130, Lake Mills 165.

Individual winner (59 runners) – Kadence Huck (NP) 19:19.82.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

10. Megan Pickar 22:01.52, 14. Tegan Dungey 22:42.2, 22. Kailynn Gebel 23:45.64, 24. Natalie Nosbisch 23:53.33, 34. Rebecca Wickman 24:55.89, 54. Zoey Kellogg 27:38.19.

NEW HAMPTON JV RESULTS

24. Cassidy Meyerhoff 30:05.63, 28. Alexis Nosbisch 30:16.85, 31. Zoey Dreckman 32:38.41.

OSAGE INVITE BOYS TEAM SCORES

Lake Mills 38, Forest City 51, Crestwood 95, North Butler 97, Nashua-Plainfield 147, Mason City Newman 148, Osage 169, New Hampton 173.

Individual winner (61 runners) – Justin Right (LM) 17:06.18.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

20. Connor Stumme 19:24.37, 27. Calyb Zeien 19:54.96, 31. Braidon Schaufenbuel 20:03.18, Carter

Broughton 21:17.61, 49. Xander Meyerhoff 21:22.56, 52. Landon Bruess 21:33.69, 58. Jarrin Robinson 23:00.38.

NEW HAMPTON JV RESULTS

13. Easton Monteith 21:58.15, 19. Israel Ortiz 22:15.8, 32. Carter Newbrough 24:05.44, Jon Baker 24:11.79, Ramon Conde 28:59.14.

INDEPENDENCE INVITATIONAL GIRLS TEAM SCORES

Clear Creek-Amana 37, Waverly-Shell Rock 55, Union 71, Iowa Falls-Alden 89, New Hampton 150, Nashua-Plainfield 165, Wapsie Valley 171, East Buchanan 209.

Individual winner (59 runners) Huck (NP) 19:22.1.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

12. Pickar 21:12.7, 37. Gebel 23:12.3, 40. Ella Knutson 23:23.9, 42. N. Nosbisch 23:51.6, 47. Wickman 25:07.1, 53. Kellogg 26:59.8.

NEW HAMPTON JV RESULTS

41. Meyerhoff 28:54.2, 47. Dreckman 29:23.1, A. Nosbisch 30:45.3, Josi Singewald 32:20.8.

INDEPENDENCE INVITATIONAL BOYS TEAM SCORES

Clear Creek-Amana 23, Waverly-Shell Rock 92, Union 113, Independence 119, Nashua-Plainfield 122, Wapsie Valley 130, New Hampton 161, Iowa Falls-Alden 188, Edgewood-Colesburg 262, Janesville 262.

Individual winner (63 runners) – Aidan Shannon (WV) 16:28.2.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

16. Stumme 18:54.3, 24. Zeien 19:33.2, 39. Ortiz 21:37.7, 42. Meyerhoff 21:46.4, 46. Monteith 22:01.5.

NEW HAMPTON JV RESULTS

19. Newbrough 22:46.4, Colin Shatek 29:03.9.

Trojans drop five-set thriller to NFV

Vrzak, Walz filling in for Balk while she's on maternity leave

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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An abacus would have come in handy on Thursday night between the Turkey Valley Trojans and the North Fayette Valley TigerHawks.

The reason?

The Upper Iowa Conference five-set volleyball thriller in Jackson Junction had that many ties knot up the score. That meant one had to make sure their pencil was sharpened or pen didn't run out of ink in trying to keep track of all the stalemates.

That ancient calculating tool – although archaic by today's standard of counting – would have done the trick just fine.

TV and NFV played it to the hilt last week in an Upper Iowa Conference battle that had fans on their feet all night long. The TigerHawks outlasted the Trojans in a what turned into a marathon, two-hour-plus showdown that saw NFV rise up to claim a 22-25, 25-19, 25-22, 22-25 and 15-13 victory.

"They played every point to the end," said assistant TV coach Tammy Vrzak. "Never once did they give up. You gotta remember, we played this type of game Tuesday night."

That the Trojans did against rival South Winneshiek two days prior. The Warriors eclipsed the Trojans in another five-setter – 23-25, 19-25, 25-22, 28-26 and 15-9.

The TV gym was loud on both nights as school spirit was on full display from each competing schools.

As it was to be expected, especially since it was homecoming week for the Turkey Valley spikers – who are led by second-year head coach Shelbie Balk.

"Two of our games this week – those girls were fantastic. They stepped in. They played their game. It could go either way," said Vrzak.

Vrzak, a longtime TV coach in year's past, is helping out Trojan assistant coach Ashley Walz this month because Balk is on maternity leave after giving birth to a baby girl two weeks ago.

"Shelbie was in contact with us talking about what she wanted," said Vrzak. "Fortunately, she trusts Ashley and me having the experience to lead the team and where they need to be. The team's looking forward to her coming back. Ashley's stepping up and doing a nice job."

Turkey Valley topped NFV in

three games – 21-11, 15-21 and 15-13 – at the Kepros Tourney in Cresco on Saturday, Sept. 9. The Trojans also lost to South Winn at the New Hampton Invite earlier this month, 21-11, 21-12.

TV – 2-8 overall and 0-2 in UIC play prior to playing at the Waukon Invite this past Saturday – played well at No. 9 Don Bosco on Monday according to Vrzak. The Dons turned back a game Trojan squad by a score of 25-14, 20-25, 25-14 and 25-19.

"Maici (Weber) did a good job mixing up the sets, utilizing all the hitters. Our back row dug up multiple hits to give us a chance to go back at the Dons. The scores might not show it, but these girls are coming together as a team well!" said Vrzak.

Don Bosco (8-8) topped TV at that same NH Invite – 21-7, 21-11.

NFV raced out to a 7-2 game-one lead, but a 5-0 run by TV – capped by senior Adriana Tiedt's kill – gave the Trojans its first lead of the night, up 15-14. Trojan junior Kinsey Reicks' point up near the net would finish off the TigerHawks in game one.

Game two saw NFV again get down early – 11-6 – but TV climbed back into the fray to force multiple ties. Ella Sieck's let ace fueled a 6-0 run late.

TV let game three slip away after leading 16-7 and 22-16 at different junctures of the match. NFV closed game three out on a 9-0. Sarah Dean's kill ended game three and gave NFV the upperhand, now up 2-1.

Game four was nip-and-tuck the whole way through. The Trojans scored the last three points of round four to break a 22-22 tie. A Weber dink, followed by a Morgan Vsetecka ace and a Layni Schuchhardt winner over the net sent the match into a do-or-die final game.

NFV led 6-1 in game five, but a 5-0 Trojan run tied it at 6-6. A Tiedt kill and then her let ace tied it back up at 11-11. Halle Weber's ace tied it once more at 13-13.

NFV (5-4, 2-0) won the final two points of the night to walk out of the gym with the close victory.

Walz explained the three keys she wants her girls to focus on this fall.

"My two or three main points are you have to have fun, you have to communicate and you have to have confidence out there," said Walz.

TV opens season at Luther

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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In Sarah Bakula's seven seasons as head coach of the Turkey Valley cross country program she can't ever remember having the Luther All-American meet turn into the de facto season opener for her Trojans.

That's exactly what happened on Saturday after early season temperatures that reached into the 90s cancelled TV's three meets to start the 2023 fall campaign.

"We practiced for over a month before we even had a meet," said Bakula.

And what an opener it was for Turkey Valley as it ran in the first competition of the year at Decorah – which featured almost 250 runners in each the girls and boys varsity races.

"I'm very happy with how everyone ran on Saturday. Would we have had those times two weeks ago if we would have had a meet? Who knows?" said Bakula. "The tough part is having few and far between teammates to run with in practice. It kind of gets monotonous."

Last year's race was a muddy trek around the sprawling course on the campus of Luther College in Decorah in an effort to not get stuck in the wet mess – or slip and fall.

This year's rendition had considerably much better weather, although the temperature did get a tad warm as the meet progressed.

"It was gorgeous weather to run in. It did get a little warm probably by the varsity boys race," said Bakula.

TV senior Russell Nieman – fresh off of playing in the Trojan football game on Thursday night at West Central – placed 155th overall in a time of 19:19.

While his time was slower than last year's clip of 18:58 (90th place), Bakula isn't too concerned that the multi-sport star can get the job done this year.

Nieman placed 11th at the state qualifier in Cascade as a junior last season. That meant he was one spot away from qualifying for the state meet in Fort Dodge.

"Each year he comes in and he's already better than the year before," said Bakula.

Obviously near the top of Nieman's list is to punch his ticket to Fort Dodge.

"Fingers crossed – we need that goal this year. We obviously have some work to do," Bakula added.

Nieman most recently competed at the Starmont Invite last week Tuesday. Nieman lowered his time to 18:59.

The 50th annual Luther College All-American meet also saw Trojan senior Bode Balk improve his time quite a bit from last year's. Balk placed 144th overall in a time of 21:20 in the JV race. Balk placed 202nd a season ago in a time of 22:43.

"He definitely needs to get in some varsity races," said Bakula. "I could see that in practices that he was definitely a lot better than where he was this time last year."

Balk ran a 21:16 at Starmont, good for 25th place in the JV race.

Trojan freshman Hazel Nieman wound up in 72nd place in the JV girls race at Luther and TV freshman Avery Franzen placed 270th in the JV boys race in 24:28. Franzen finished in 74th place in the Starmont JV race in 23:36. Hazel Nieman engineered a top-10 finish (24:18) in the JV girls race at Starmont.



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Safety

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Farmers may not always realize it, but they have a dangerous occupation

Tractor accidents, grain entrapment and injuries from ornery livestock are just some of the dangers agricultural workers face every day. In fact, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health says agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries in the United States.

The agricultural industry averages a rate of 21.4 deaths per 100,000 workers, and each day agricultural workers experienced 100 non-fatal, lost-work-time injuries.

Farms are dangerous places, and while carelessness can and does contribute to many incidents, accidents also take place during routine, seemingly safe activities. These farm safety guidelines can help lower the risk of injuries.

- Know farm equipment. Read and follow all instructions in the equipment operation manuals. In addition, attend local farm safety workshops to learn more about specific equipment and products.

- Conduct routine safety checks. Look around buildings and grounds for obvious hazards, such as fire hazards and hazardous materials, including

farm chemicals that are not stored correctly.

- Practice cleanliness. Maintain clean and neat work areas with tools stored properly and out of the way after use.

- Be mindful of your clothing and hair. Many accidents involve a power take-off system, or PTO, which is a common component of large rotary mowers, tractors and forage choppers. Clothing can easily get caught in an engaged but unguarded PTO stub. It's easy for laces or coveralls to become wrapped around a spinning stub shaft. The PTO driveline and other protrusion points also can be dangerous if people do not pay attention.

- Use rollover protection structures. ROPS can be used on tractors and other equipment to prevent injuries. In addition, wear seat belts and employ other safety equipment as advised.

- Avoid extra passengers. It can be tempting to take the kids for a spin, but do not allow additional passengers to ride on agricultural equipment.

- Exercise caution when handling chemicals. Take extra precautions when handling any chemicals, including pesticides.



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Harvest scenes like this one may seem serene to the naked eye, but the fact is that farmers work in an industry that is one of the most dangerous in the country.

- Wear protective gear. Wear appropriate gear and equipment as outlined by NIOSH or the Mine Safety and Health Administration. Make sure the skin, feet, ears, eyes, and hands

are protected at all times.

- Employ lock out/tag out control. This is a process where one can work on equipment only after every energy source has been controlled, such as

hydraulic, pneumatic, mechanical, and electrical, according to Rural Mutual Insurance Company. Turning off equipment and using certain controls or locks on devices can pre-

vent equipment from restarting before it is safe to do so.

Farm safety should be a priority for owners, their families and employees so that agricultural injuries can be reduced.

Tips on how we can share the roads with farmers

- Slow down immediately when you see farm equipment ahead of you on the road. Farm equipment isn't very fast, think 15-20 mph on the road on average perhaps. If you are driving 55 mph, you are covering around 80 feet per second; it won't take very long to be right on top of a slow moving vehicle.

- Be patient and wait to safely pass farm equipment. Unsafe passing was one of the primary factors of a lot of motor vehicle accidents that were responded to in recent falls.

- Along those same lines, be careful when approaching on-coming farm equipment. Oncoming vehicles might not be as patient as you are and pull out suddenly to pass the farm equipment—right

into your path.

- Farm equipment often has to make wide turns, so be aware of that and help out by being patient and giving them room to turn.

- Since some of the equipment is fairly wide, you may still have to edge out on the other side of the road, further than normal; even though growers are very good at getting over as far as they safely can to let you by. Road shoulders can be notoriously tricky, both in dry and wet weather.

- Harvest seems to amplify deer movement both day and night. Watch your speed and scan your surroundings for them as you drive. Like anything else, situational awareness will help reduce risk.

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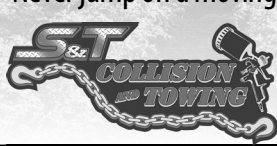
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After prolonged drought, farmers are heading into an ‘uncertain’ harvest

Although growers obviously want to get their corn and soybeans harvested, Northeast Iowa needs rain to help soil moisture profiles heading into next year

By **BOB FENSKE**
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Overheard at the Chickasaw County Courthouse last week: "Now it'll decide to start raining and we won't even be able to get the crops out."

The dissatisfaction in the farmer's voice was dang near palatable, and for good reason, too. It has been a growing season that can be summed up with one word: Frustrating.

Still, as farmers get ready to bring in an "uncertain" crop, an Iowa State University Extension agronomist said that as much as he'd hate to see farmers' harvest plans get delayed by rain, the area desperately needs precipitation.

"Honestly, it's too late to help the corn," Terry Basol said earlier this week, "and even with the soybeans, I'm not sure unless you have a late-planted field on really good soil. But we could use a two-, three-day soaker just to get start building for next year. The drought's bad enough right now that we're not going to say no to any kind of moisture."

The fact is, our little corner of the world hasn't been this dry in 11 years. And the Drought of 2023 is doing everything it can to catch up with the Drought of 2012.

In this week's USDA National Agriculture Statistic Service's Iowa Crop Progress and Condition report, 52 percent of farmland in the Northeast Iowa District, which includes Chickasaw County, is "very short" and 35 percent is "short" of topsoil moisture. One must go back 11 years to find

drier conditions at this time of the year as the Sept. 10, 2012, report showed 52 percent of Northeast Iowa farmland was "very short" of moisture and 40 percent was "short."

The U.S. Drought Monitor report released Thursday showed the area of "extreme drought" grew in the past week. All of Chickasaw, Bremer and Floyd counties were classified as being in extreme drought and almost all of Butler County was experiencing the same, according to the report.

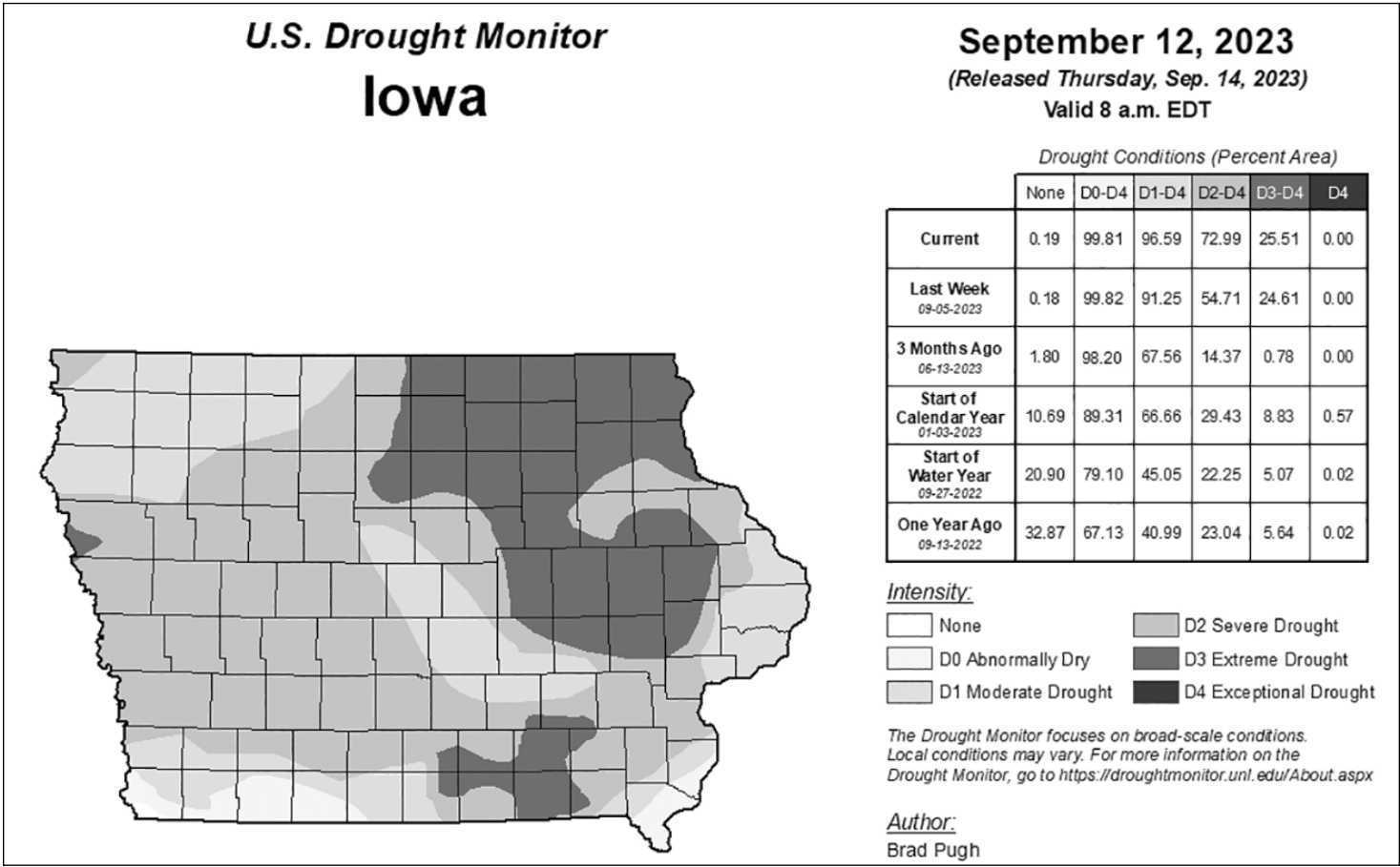
Basol said the extremely dry summer, which has continued into September, will undoubtedly affect yields this fall, but the agronomist said it could be worse — in short, it could be 20 years ago.

"Look, I'm enough of a realist to know that we're not going to have the yields we have had," he said, "but one thing that continues to amaze me is just how good the genetics have gotten and how well they handle drought. Twenty, 30 years ago, it would have been a disaster, but we've had dry years where I've been amazed at the yields our guys have gotten."

Still, he concedes this is a drought that has reached epic proportions, bringing up the years 2012 and 1988, two "four-letter" years for area farmers.

"We'll know here soon," Basol said, "because I know we have a few spotty areas where you can see fields have been taken out but you'll see a lot more activity, I think, this week into next."

But almost on cue, the weather may not cooperate.



There are chances of rain littered throughout the forecast through this weekend, but then again, we've heard that before and in 2023, rain in the forecast has rarely become a reality.

"We need it, there's no other way to put it," Basol said. "We've got a ton of catching up to do. We're into September and

we're at 45 percent of normal precipitation."

And he said farmers are probably rooting for a wet fall more than they are a snowy winter.

"The problem with snow is that once the ground freezes and that snow falls," he said, "the water's not getting into that soil. And then when it thaws, if

the ground is frozen, it runs off. I'll put it this way, timely rains this fall are probably a lot better

for us than a whole bunch of snow in January and February. Snow helps but rain's better."

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Area high school students (left) take part in a GPS demonstration during Precision Ag and Animal Science Field Day, where an Ellsworth Community College professor and his students (above) ran one of eight stations.

Students get 'precision ag' lesson

ISU Extension and Outreach event includes 145 students from 11 area school districts

Iowa State University (ISU) Extension and Outreach recently hosted a Precision Ag and Animal Science Field Day for high school students.

Students from area high schools were invited to spend a day at the ISU Experimental

Research Farm near Nashua.

The day was filled with 11 school districts being represented by 145 registered students, according to Kendra Crooks, 4-H youth specialist.

The global purpose of the field days is to engage students

in hands-on learning and create awareness of endless possibilities of careers right here in northern Iowa.

Youth with an education in animal science are qualified for a wide variety of challenging careers. There are over 500 different job classifications for animal science careers. Precision agriculture is being used more and more in farming.

With the increasing availability of such mapping technologies as GPS (Global Positioning Systems) and GIS (Geographical Information Systems), precision agriculture technicians will install, operate, troubleshoot and repair precision agriculture systems.

Technicians will also use the

advanced processing software to collect, visualize and analyze data.

ISU Extension and Outreach is building on existing partnerships with high schools, FFA chapters, homeschool families, colleges, businesses, and industries to offer these field days.

The goal is to connect youth with local businesses and industry leaders creating awareness of this fast changing industry by providing information and resources on how to prepare for these careers. All high schools were invited from northeast and north central counties.

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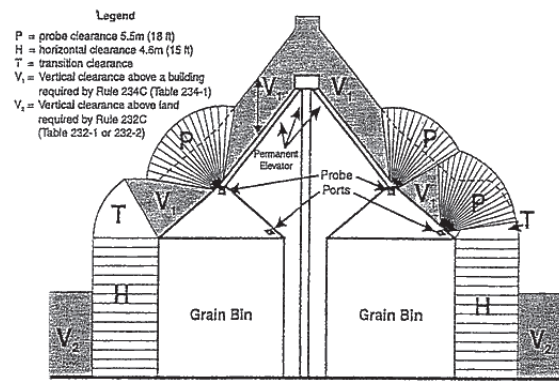
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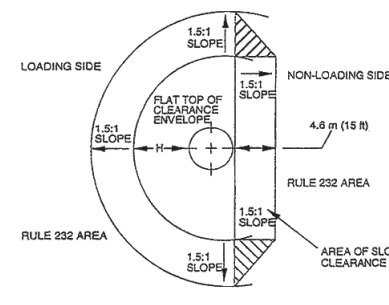
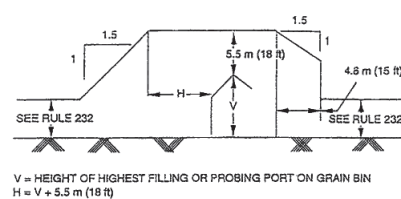
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located near Nashua. The farm is owned by the Northeast Iowa Experimental Association.

The students learned from eight stations throughout the day. Event presenters included Iowa State University College of Agriculture faculty Maya Hayslett, Ellsworth Community College, ISU College of Vet Med and Poultry Farm, Jui Nelson, ISU Water Rocks, Zoetis and Northeast Iowa Community College.

Event sponsors/donors included Northeast Iowa Research Farm, Black Hawk County Farm Bureau, Bremer County Farm Bureau, Butler County Farm Bureau, Floyd County Farm Bureau and the Iowa 4-H Foundation.

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