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Prosecutor: Every witness key

County attorney grateful for guilty verdict that came quickly in 2012 murder near Nashua

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

As far as Chickasaw County Attorney David Laudner is concerned, each and every one of the 26 witnesses called to the stand during the first-degree murder trial of a former Charles City resident last week played a part in the end result – the guilty verdict jurors handed down late last Thursday afternoon.

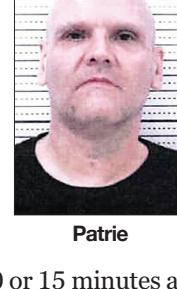
The jury deliberated for a little

more than an hour before returning to the courtroom with the verdict against 41-year-old Randy Patrie for the killing of 70-year-old Kenneth Gallmeyer, a retired Clarksville grocery store owner, in his rural Nashua home in the fall of 2012. "They had pieces to offer in rela-

tion to the crime," Laudner said. "To go through 26 witnesses in essentially 2 1/2 days, it really was a building block approach. I mean every witness – even though some of the witnesses only testified for 10 or 15 minutes at most – they all had important pieces to the puzzle to add into the overall



Gallmeyer



Patrie

picture we were trying to paint for the jury."

Patrie's trial began with jury selection on Monday, May 20, opening statements were given the following morning and prosecutors – Frank Severino Jr. of the Iowa Attorney General's Office and Laudner – then began laying out their case to the jury.

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Mayor's message: Let's make sure our lawns are mowed

Kelleher says the state of yards is 'kind of an issue in town' and begins 'tagging' residences

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Fresh, manicured lawns are a sense of pride for many residents – whether you live in town or out in the country.

But if you're a resident of Nashua and your lawn has reached a state where it's become overgrown – you might want to break out the lawnmower or at least get somebody to cut it for you.

That's the news that came down from Nashua Mayor Hal Kelleher during the May 20 City Council meeting.

Kelleher says he plans on tidying up Nashua, so to speak, by reminding folks inside the city limits to take care of their lawns in a timely fashion so they don't become an eyesore to passers-by.

"The mowing is kind of an issue in town and I don't want to be writing a whole bunch of letters and everything. For that and some other ordinances I'm going to be tagging residents and doing a log and then coming back and checking on getting those lawns trimmed up and raked," said Kelleher. "You'll see these green tags on some of the doors. We'll get that taken care of."

That won't be the only thing Kelleher will be keeping an eye on when it comes to upkeep of residential properties. He also said weeds, brush, junk vehicles, dangerous buildings or fallen trees on a property that isn't taken care of can also get you a green tag placed on your door.

"I'll just keep a log on that. That's outside of my normal zone inspection," said Kelleher.

Kelleher said he was planning on giving residents of those properties a week's notice to take care of the issue when it came to lawn care management.

"Do they get a 24-hour notice or what," said Council member Jake Johnson asked.

Johnson then gave his thoughts on the matter – which was to reduce the time it takes to get their lawn up to city code standards.

"I think you could cut that down if you want – 48 (hours) at the most," said Johnson. "Whatever our code says. For the mowing ones, they don't need a week."

Kelleher also wanted to remind residents that there are resources out there to help someone that may need assistance with lawn care needs and to contact him if that's the case.

Nashua City Clerk John Ott informed the Council that Nashua City Attorney David Skilton recommended cancelling the bid opening for the Main Street demolition projects because

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Members of the Ralph Nicholson VFW Post 6792 Firing Squad (above) conduct the traditional salute while the post's commander, Bill Schmidt (below), salutes as Nashua-Plainfield High School Band member Luke Paplow plays "Taps" during a Memorial Day program that was held at Veterans Park this past Monday.

'IT'S OUR DUTY TO REMEMBER ...'

NASHUA REMEMBERS THOSE WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE DURING THREE MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Remember – it's the least Americans can do in honoring their soldiers that paid the ultimate price.

Whether it's fallen heroes, past patriots or those military veterans that fought in battle and their remains have never been recovered or identified – the final Monday of May is for them.

Memorial Day – a fitting tribute to those no longer with us that defended our country – even hundreds of years ago – and enabled future generations the chance to live in the "land of the free and home of the brave."

The town of Nashua – like thousands upon thousands of other small communities that

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Photo courtesy of Jeff Trost

Bouncing back big time

Members of the Nashua-Plainfield girls golf team pose for a team picture after recording their season-low round on the second day of the Class 1A state tourney last Friday.

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No surprise to most, but it's now official: Drought's over

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

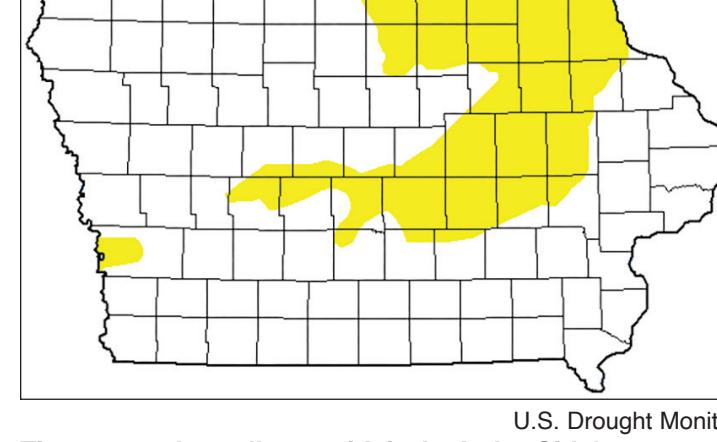
In what many might see as a statement from "Captain Obvious," the drought that has plagued Iowa in general and the Nashua and Plainfield areas for more than a year is over.

And it's officially over as the National Weather Service office in La Crosse, Wisconsin, made the announcement on its website Thursday after the U.S. Drought Monitor released its weekly report that showed that not a single part of Iowa is suffering from drought.

Granted, the weekly report showed that all of Chickasaw, Bremer and Floyd counties and all but a sliver of southern Butler County are still in what the Drought Monitor terms as "abnormally dry."

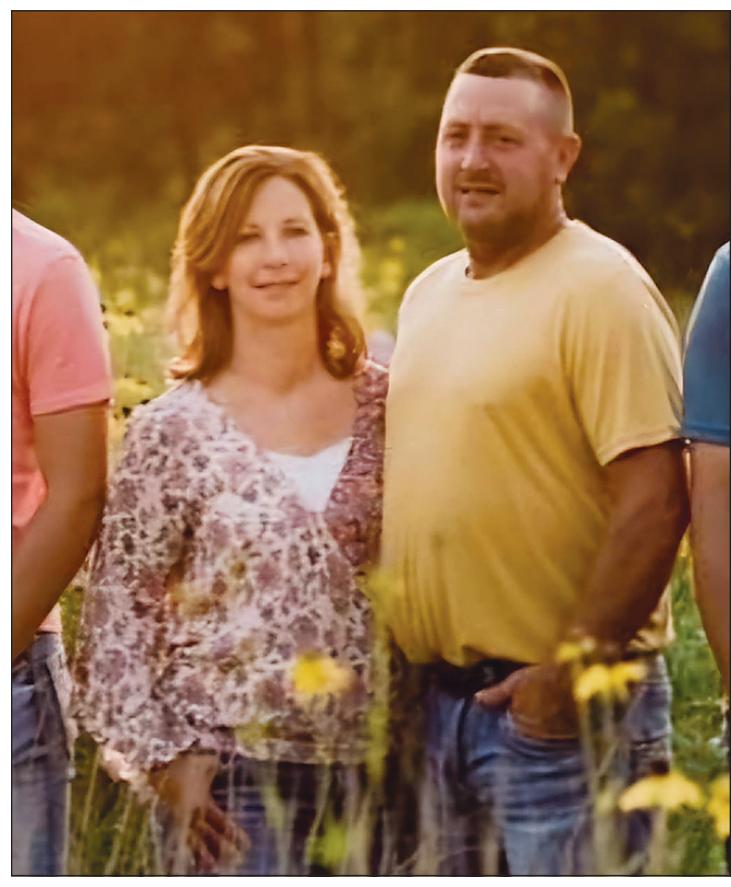
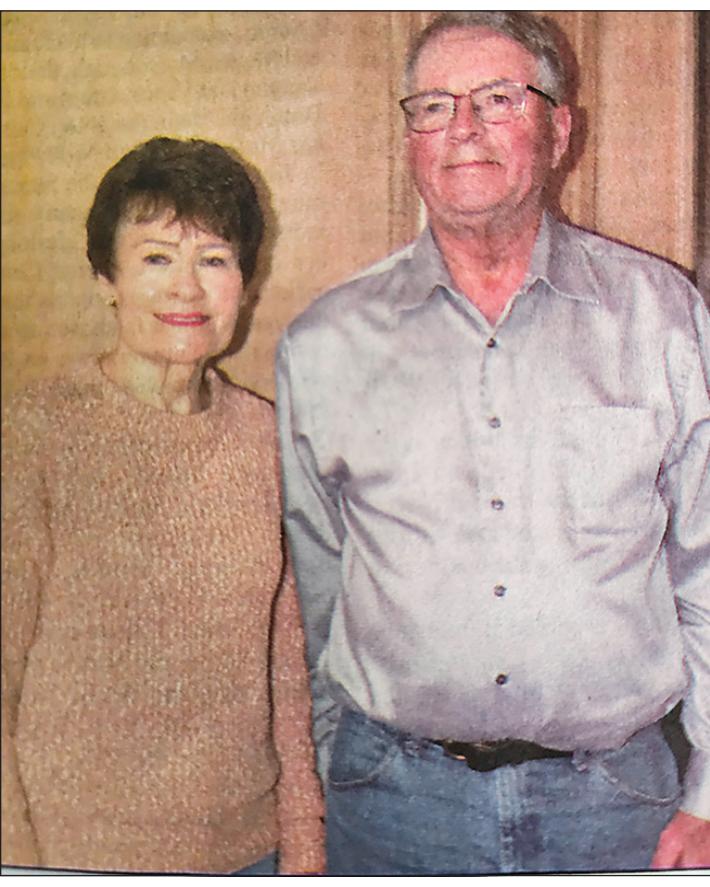
The latest USDA Iowa Crop and Condition Report that came out on Tuesday would beg to disagree as it showed that 97 percent of topsoil in the Northeast District, which includes Chickasaw and Bremer counties, had either adequate or surplus moisture while 92 percent of the

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U.S. Drought Monitor
The areas in yellow, which include Chickasaw and Bremer counties, are only "abnormally dry," marking the first time in more than a year that no parts of Iowa are suffering drought conditions.

June is DAIRY MONTH



Photos courtesy of Dairy Days Committee

Dairy Days dignitaries

Among the dignitaries for this week's Dairy Days celebration in Fredericksburg are the Grand Dairymen Beverly and Marvin Steege (left), Grand Marshals Joan and Ralph Schultz and the 2024 Young Dairy Producers Cheryl and Andrew Schmitz.

Dairy Days set to mark 'century of milking it'

The Fredericksburg Dairy Days Committee is pulling out all the stops, and why not?

This is, after all, the 100th annual celebration of both Fredericksburg and dairy, and although the annual festival kicked off on Wednesday evening with a free night of swimming at the city's pool and the Parade of Lights, Dairy Days kicks into high gear late this afternoon (Thursday) with the kids events that are so unique to the annual party.

And the celebration continues through Saturday evening because, as the official celebration t-shirts say, in Fredericksburg it's been a "century of milking it."

Tonight's events include the always-popular Street Sports and, of course, the milking contest at the softball diamond and will be followed by a Friday chock full of events — including that rarity in small-town Iowa, a festival with not one, but two parades, one

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Dairy Days is a unique celebration in that two parades are held each year during the Fredericksburg festival.

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Make sure dairy products are a part of your daily diet

Eating or drinking dairy products offers health benefits, like building and maintaining strong bones, according to myplate.gov, a website put out by the USDA that touts the importance of having a nutritional and healthy diet.

Dairy Group foods provide nutrients that are vital for the health and maintenance of the body. These nutrients include calcium, potassium, vitamin D and protein.

So with that in mind, we headed to thedadairyalliance.com website and gleaned a few "dairy" recipes, including:

Strawberry Milk Refresher

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cups low-fat milk
- 8 fresh strawberries, hulled
- 3 Tbsp orange juice
- 1 Tbsp honey
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup ice
- 2 Tbsp sliced strawberries

DIRECTIONS

Blend milk, strawberries, orange juice, honey and vanilla in a blender until smooth.

Place ice in a tall glass and pour milk mixture over ice. Stir in sliced strawberries.



Cheesy Stuffed Meatball Cups

INGREDIENTS

- 8-ounce block Mozzarella cheese divided
- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 egg
- 1 cup Panko style bread crumbs
- 1/2 Parmesan cheese grated
- 1 tablespoon garlic minced
- 1 tablespoon Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt



- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 package thin-crust refrigerated pizza dough 11-ounce
- 3/4 cup prepared jar marinara sauce
- Garnish: fresh chopped parsley

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cut block of mozzarella in half. Using a box grater, shred one half of cheese; set aside. Cut the other half into twelve cubes; set aside. In a large mixing bowl, combine ground beef and next eight ingredients. Combine until all ingredients are thoroughly incorporated. Shape mixture into 12 (3-inch) balls. Press 1 cheese cube into center of ball, sealing it inside. Repeat for remaining 11 meatballs.

Heat butter and olive oil in heavy bottom skillet or cast-iron pan over medium heat. Gently place meatballs into pan, just to brown on each side, about 1 minute on each side. Once brown, remove and place on paper towed lined baking sheet or plate to drain off excess fat.

Spray 12 regular size muffin cups with cooking spray. Unroll pizza dough per package directions. Using a 3-inch round cutter, cutout 12 rounds of pizza dough and press each firmly into bottom of each cup well. Dough will not cover sides completely. Place 1/2 tablespoon of marinara sauce in each muffin cup, top with 1 meatball, another 1/2 tablespoon of sauce and sprinkle of shredded mozzarella cheese. Repeat for remaining 11 meatballs. Bake on middle rack for 25-30 minutes, or until cheese is bubbly and browned. Remove from oven and garnish.

Chocolate Brownie Lovers Ice Cream

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup milk chocolate chips
- 1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk
- 1/2 cup cocoa powder
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream, plus 1 tablespoon
- 1 cup whole milk
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups brownie pieces, chopped

DIRECTIONS

Place chocolate chips and 1 tablespoon heavy whipping cream



in a large microwave-safe bowl and heat for 30-45 seconds, or until chips are melted. Remove from microwave and whisk together until smooth. Whisk in sweetened condensed milk, stirring until well combined. Gradually whisk in cocoa powder, heavy whipping cream, milk and vanilla extract. Pour mixture into freezer canister of ice cream maker according to your ice maker's instructions. Before transferring out of freezer canister, stir in 1 1/2 cups brownie pieces. Transfer the ice cream to a freezer-safe container with lid, top with remaining brownie pieces. Cover, place in freezer and allow it to harden for at least 4 hours or overnight.

Stuffed Burger Sliders

INGREDIENTS

- 1 large red onion, small diced
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1 1/2 pounds ground beef
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- 2 teaspoons garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 (8-ounce) bar mozzarella cheese
- 12 slider buns
- 12 small lettuce leaves
- 12 slices plum tomato, sliced thin



DIRECTIONS

Over medium heat, melt butter in a medium sized heavy-bottomed pot. Add diced onions and season with a pinch of salt and pepper. Cook until translucent and slightly caramelized, about 8-10 minutes.

Add in balsamic vinegar and turn heat down to low. Cook another 5 minutes, until liquid is reduced by half and mixture thickens. Remove from heat and let cool. In a medium-sized mixing bowl, combine ground beef and seasonings until thoroughly combined.

Roll into 12 balls, approximately 3 inches in size, place on a baking sheet and set aside. Cut cheese into 12 cubes and then cut each of those into 2 smaller cubes. Make a well in each of the burgers and place two pieces of cheese inside, and then mold the burger around cheese securing it inside.

Cook over medium heat on grill or in grill pan, flipping once. Don't over-cook or cheese will melt out of them. Remove from heat and let rest about 3-5 minutes. Prepare the buns by placing one slice of tomato and one piece of lettuce on the bottom bun, followed by the burger and then topped with approximately 1 heaping tablespoon of the onion jam, cover with top of bun and serve.

Iowa Dairy Association promotes its industry

The Iowa State Dairy Association is dedicated to building a strong communication link between producers, processors, consumers, legislators and environmental organizations, representing you at all dairy supply chain levels, from dairy farm to consumer tables.

ISDA serves as a cohesive voice on legislative issues and reports the latest industry-relevant information to our members. To succeed it takes a commitment by those who are truly passionate about Iowa's dairy industry and our future.

ISDA is managed by a board of directors comprised of dairy producers, dairy processors and other dairy industry representatives. ISDA serves all members and works to make our voice heard on issues that matter to Iowa's dairy industry.

The Iowa State Dairy Association (ISDA) was chartered by the Iowa legislature in 1876.

At this time the leading concerns of the association were breeding profitable cows, inducing farmers to use a silage program, improving the quality of butter and Bovine tuberculosis.

These issues would continue to stay in the forefront for many

years to come.

The ISDA also played a major role in the fight to open a dairy school in Ames.

By the 1980s the organization's efforts had been idle in the industry. In 2001 the ISDA board began a restructuring effort to build the ISDA back into a successful and significant organization within the industry.

With the restructuring, a new vision for the association was developed. In 2003 the association hired a staff member to re-organize and build the ISDA into an active voice representing the Iowa dairy producer. In 2006 another staff member was hired to assist with the existing position.

Iowa nationally ranks 12th in total milk production and 8th in milk production per cow. Iowa's milk production represents 2.45 percent of the total U.S. milk production.

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at 10:30 a.m. and one at 7 p.m.

Dairy Days will also be home to Scott's Carnival at the Midway, a food truck frenzy and live music that will include the band Cowtippers performing from 8 to 11 p.m. on Friday, Mike Macabee from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday and Cody Hicks taking the stage from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Here's the complete schedule for the 100th annual Dairy Days celebration:

THURSDAY

4 p.m.: Kiddie Tractor Pull.
4 p.m.: Plum Creek Art Center Picasso Cow activity.

4 to 9 p.m.: Food Truck Frenzy.

5 to 10 p.m.: Scott's Carnival at the Midway.

6:30 p.m.: Street Sports.

7:30 p.m.: Milking contest at the softball diamond.

8 p.m.: Old-Timers softball game.

FRIDAY

10:30 a.m.: Parade, lineup begins at 9:30 a.m.

Noon to 1 p.m.: Free ice cream social honoring 100 years of Dairy Days.

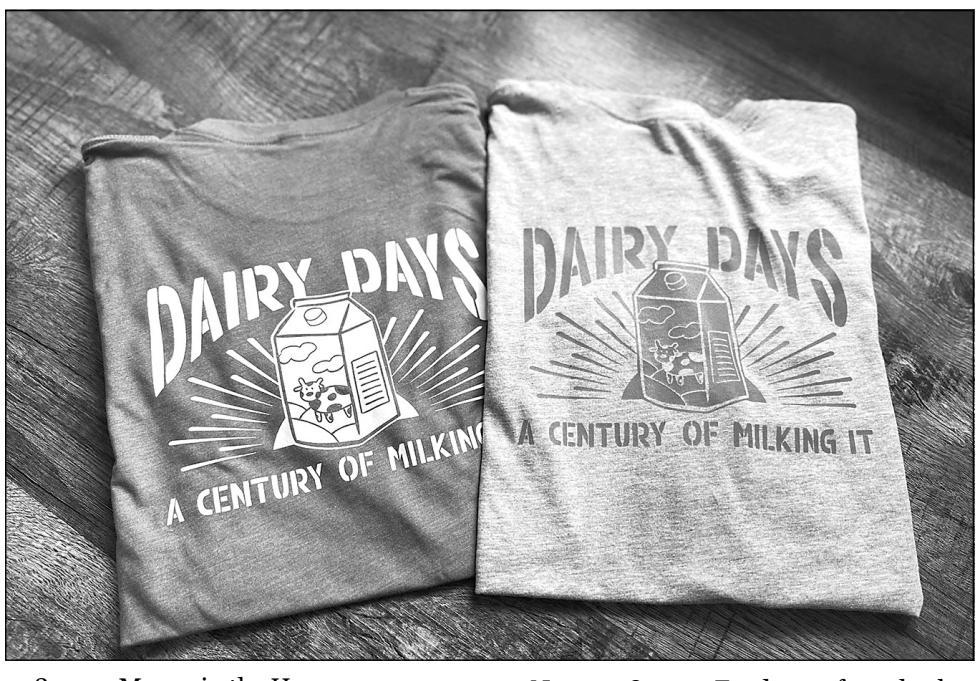
Noon to 4 p.m.: Red Rock Farms Petting Zoo.

Noon to 10 p.m.: Scott's Carnival at the Midway.

12:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Bingo.

1 to 4 p.m.: Face painting and tattoos.

1 p.m.: Cake walk.



2 p.m.: Money in the Hay.
3 p.m.: Kickball tournament.
4 p.m.: Fire cow race.
4 p.m.: Free "Take & Bake" pizza for kids.
7 p.m.: Parade, lineup begins at 6 p.m.
8 to 11 p.m.: Bingo.
8 to 11 p.m.: Cowtippers Band and beer garden; \$5 cover charge.

SATURDAY

7 a.m.: Moo Run/Walk 5K.
10 a.m.: Cutest Baby Contest.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Vendor show, 100 Years of Dairy Days Showcase and local business sidewalk sales.
10:30 a.m.: Dairy Show & Cow Pie Bingo.
Noon: Cornhole tournament.
Noon to 2 p.m.: Music featuring Mike Macabee.

Noon to 8 p.m.: Food tent, funnel cakes and ice cream trailer.

Noon to 10 p.m.: Scott's Carnival at the Midway.

12:30 p.m.: Play Fore! Tomorrow Golf Tournament at Plum Creek, 11:30 a.m. registration.

12:30 to 9:30 p.m.: Bingo.
1 to 4 p.m.: Macrame hanging plant holder class.

1 to 4 p.m.: Mr. Nick, the Balloon Entertainer.

2 p.m.: Car show.

5 to 6 p.m.: Comedian Tyler Walsh at the beer garden, \$5 cover charge.

5 to 7 p.m.: Foam party.

6:30 to 9:30 p.m.: Cody Hicks at the beer garden, \$5 cover charge.

10 p.m.: Fireworks.

Interesting facts about one of the best dairy products, ice cream!

Perhaps no food is as universally beloved as ice cream. Though people may dispute which ethnic cuisine reigns supreme or which region produces the most delicious barbecue or which city makes the best pizza, ice cream inspires no such debate. It's simply loved by people of all ages and from all walks of life.

Ice cream is a go-to dessert for people across the globe, and those individuals may be interested in learning more about this beloved confection.

- The International Dairy Foods Association notes that the origins of ice cream can be traced at least as far back as the second century BC. Though the precise origins of ice cream are not known, the first ice cream parlor in the United States opened in 1790. PBS notes that President George Washington was especially fond of the frozen treat.

- Many people prefer their ice cream served in cones, and they can thank any one of a number of individuals who may be responsible for the invention of the ice cream cone. According to the Library of Congress, various accounts suggest Charles E. Menches is the inventor of the ice cream cone, which he first offered for sale at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1904. Ernest Hamwi, Abe Doumar, Albert and Nick Kabbaz, Arnold Fornachou, and David Avayou are some others who have been credited with inventing the ice cream cone.

- The Dairy Alliance reports that three gallons of milk are required to produce a single gallon of ice cream. That means one cow can produce between two and three gallons of ice cream per day.

- Ice cream aficionados span the globe, but the World Atlas reports that no country consumes more ice cream per capita than New Zealand. New Zealand is reportedly renowned for producing high-quality dairy products, which might be one reason why the average New Zealander consumes 28.4 liters of ice cream per year. The United States (20.8 liters per year per person) and Australia (18 liters) are next in line behind New Zealand.

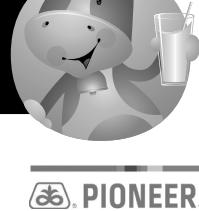
- Chocolate reigns supreme as the most popular ice cream flavor in the world. So says an analysis of data from Lexham Insurance conducted by The Food Channel. That data represents figures from 121 countries and found that vanilla, mint chocolate chip, cookie dough, and buttered pecan round out the top five.

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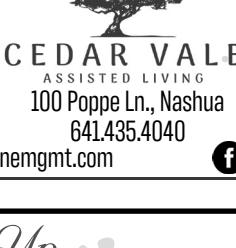
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Speaker's Memorial Day message: Don't forget to be grateful

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held their Memorial Day ceremonies across the United States on Monday – gathered for a solemn remembrance of the dead.

While this year's second planned ceremony on Monday at Greenwood Cemetery was moved indoors to the high school gym because of rain – mourners and veterans alike paid homage and respect despite not being near those grave markers or headstones that remind us of a life cut short in conflict to protect our freedom.

"It is our duty to remember their sacrifice and keep their memory alive," said Bill Schmidt, before those in attendance at the gym recited the "Pledge of the Allegiance."

Schmidt is the commander of Nashua's VFW Ralph Nicholson Post 6792 and served in the National Guard from 1981 until 2004.

The 60-year old Nashua resident quoted one of America's most famous military men ever – who rose to the rank of four-star general in the U.S. Army and later became America's 65th United States Secretary of State – the late Colin Powell.

"We have gone forth from our shores repeatedly over the last 100 years and put wonderful young men and women at risk – many of whom have lost their lives and we asked for nothing except enough ground to bury them in," said Schmidt, who recited a line from Powell when he was asked about "empire building" when the United States was engaged in a war with Iraq.

It's in those cemeteries – especially perhaps the most famous of them in American military history, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier – that rests large numbers of unidentified dead, some who have fought and died in battles as far back as the War of 1812 or the American Civil War.

Dan Bilharz, a Vietnam veteran in the U.S. Army that fought in that southeast Asian conflict from 1971 to 1973, understands the pain, uncertainty and confusion of families that lost their loved ones too soon and were never told whether their son or daughter was alive or dead early on in the war.

An emotional Bilharz, who still lives in Nashua, stood near center court on the basketball hardwood floor that is adorned with an N-P Husky logo and spoke hard truths about tough matters that have never been alleviated by recognizing soldiers that went M.I.A (missing in action.)

The U.S. pulled its troops for good from Saigon clear back in 1975 – essentially signaling the end of that war, but the search for those that perished in battle who had "no name" was still an ongoing battle.

"If somebody didn't know their kid was killed – the parents would forgive them," said Bilharz. "Not everybody knows that their kid was deceased during the war. The parents have got to be proud, even if you did lose your kid. You still gotta be proud – very proud."

But the Vietnam War was different than its previous predecessors, i.e. the Korean War, World War I and World War II.

It wasn't until May of 1984 – almost 40 years ago to the day when this year's Memorial Day took place



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-area veterans are in the midst of several flags during the third and final Memorial Day observance that was moved from Greenwood Cemetery to Nashua-Plainfield High School because of the threat of rain Monday morning.

– that Americans finally found out that the lone remaining Vietnam War Unknown was being loaded on a plane and flown to Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland where those remains were properly buried.

It would be another 14 years in 1998 after evidence was gathered and accumulated that the name of that unknown was released to the public – Air Force 1st Lt. Michael Joseph Blassie, a pilot who had been shot down in 1972 and killed in action.

"Our intent today is to not speak of the glory of the battlefield or to pay homage to heroes or icons – but rather to reflect on the person behind the deed and remember all of our fallen comrades for who they actually were," said Schmidt as he spoke to an engaged audience. "People just like us – they were fathers, brothers, sisters, daughters, friends, all of whom held true to the values of which this great land was founded and share a common belief in freedom, justice and liberties."

They were people like you and I – everyday Americans that answered the call and rang the bell – oftentimes for the final time, never to speak again – but now rest on hallowed ground.

Schmidt continued his speech.

"We must remember and reflect on the lives that they left behind," Schmidt said. "They were the next-door neighbors, the kids down the block. They were the high school quarterbacks, the cheerleaders, class clowns. Some of them were teachers, police, firefighters, plumbers and physicians. They were of every race, creed and color.

"They came from every corner of this great nation as well as from other countries. Together they defended, protected and advanced the cause for freedom."

And like a memory that is fading, so too are our VFWs across this nation. Numbers are dwindling as past veterans pass on and fewer and fewer young



Members of the Nashua-Plainfield Marching Band (above) perform at Veterans Park, where longtime VFW member Dan Bilharz videos part of the ceremony.

adults join the armed forces. Schmidt said there are 43 members in Nashua's VFW Post.

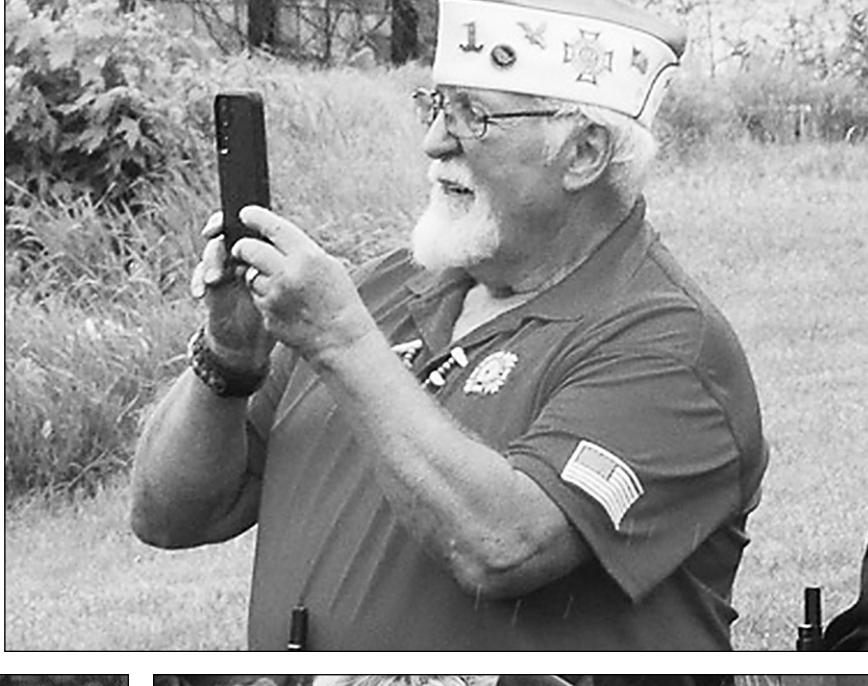
"We do have only six to 10 that are active and come to the meetings," said Schmidt. "We even pulled in some Legion boys today."

The Nashua-Plainfield Band played "America the Beautiful" and "God Bless America" in between Schmidt's speech.

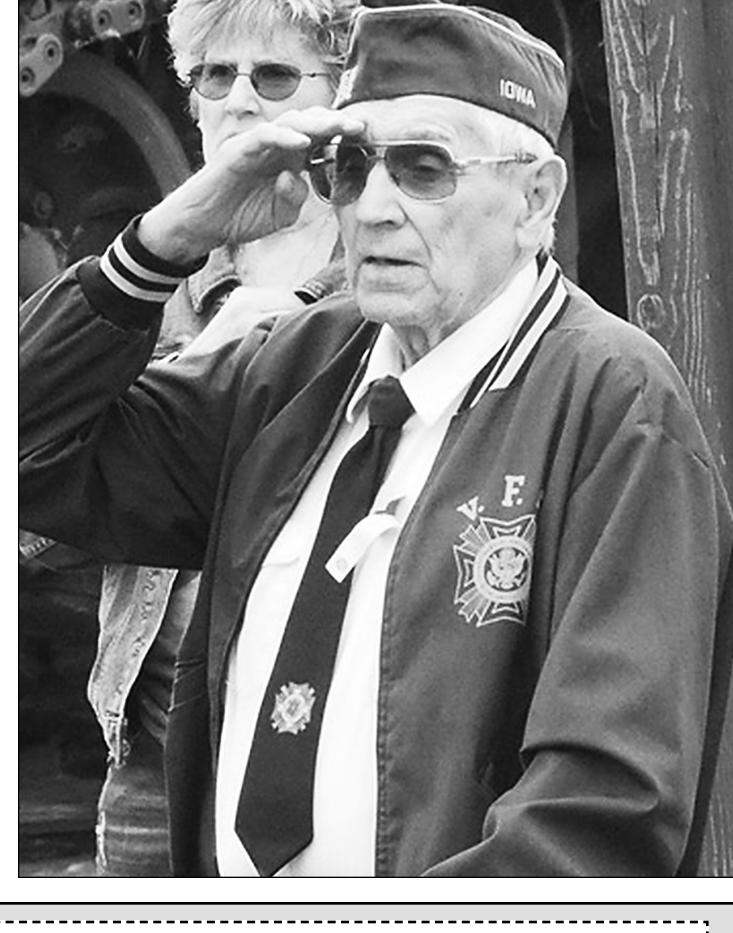
But it was the occasional silence on Monday that perhaps evoked the most sincere reverence on this Memorial Day and hopefully gave proper respect to a memory that deserves to live on – long past when these current generations cease to exist above ground.

Those are the cold, hard lessons that those that have never fought and lost – or never cared to understand – oftentimes have to learn.

"This day to me wouldn't be possible if it wasn't for our fallen," said Schmidt. "Don't forget to be grateful."



Arnie Boge (left) takes part in the observance at Veterans Park, Hayden Munn (above) plays "Taps" and veteran Clifford Schilling (right) salutes the flag.



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Gary James Schluter, 73

Gary James Schluter, age 73, died on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, as he and his husband, Siswo Prasetyo (Tio), were visiting Indonesia, Tio's home country. Gary departed this world doing what he loves-exploring the beauty and diversity of our world.

Born on Jan. 30, 1951, to Howard and Jeanette (Oberheu) Schluter in Waverly, Gary was a family man from a very young age. With two sisters and two brothers, Gary tolerated a lot of sibling bantering, however always in good fun.

The family moved to Orlando, Florida, where he attended grade school and early high school. Summer vacations were spent on a farm outside of Plainfield, where the five Schluter children enjoyed the innocent childhood joys including treehouses, goats, chickens, and playing Robin Hood. Family reunions frequented their calendar where cousins, aunts, and uncles enjoyed picnics, pranks, ball games, and chasing fireflies. The siblings often teased that he was Grandma Schluter's favorite.

As the others shoveled the drive after a heavy snow, he would enjoy warm cinnamon rolls in the house while deciding if he should share payment or keep it for himself.

Born into a family that prioritized travel, discovery, and togetherness, Gary inherited a love for exploration from an early age. From road trips to Washington D.C. and Niagara Falls to camping trips with the over-packed pop-up camper to the Grand Canyon and Yosemite, these family vacations laid the foundation for Gary's lifelong pursuit of tourism.

Gary prioritized his studies from an early age. After graduating from Nashua High School in 1969, he spent his college summers as a tour guide for Yellowstone National Park. Gary graduated from Luther College in Decorah with a triple major in mathematics, economics, and business.

Gary began his career in tourism while in college working summer seasons as a tour guide in Yellowstone National Park. After many years in the park, he worked for Wyoming Travel Commission, where he received honors from the National Tour Association for his ideas of promoting travel as a regional concept going outside the state boundaries and working with neighboring states in developing and promoting itineraries. After many years as a tour operator, Gary



Gary Schluter

member for the U.S. Travel Association and participated as an operator member of their NPS Committee.

Gary also served as chairman of the International Inbound Travel Association (IITA) from 2016 through 2019. Gary led the organization through a successful rebrand and expanded its membership and impact across the country. He retired in recent years from the inbound tour company he founded, Rocky Mountain Holiday Tours.

Gary's leadership took IITA to new heights developing partnerships with U.S Travel/IPW and Brand USA, and strengthening relationships with government agencies, most notably the National Park Service. Beloved throughout the travel industry for his caring nature, spirit and sense of humor, Gary inspired and mentored many travel professionals to showcase America and provide excellent tourism experiences to the rest of the world.

Gary was introduced to his husband, Tio, by a mutual friend in 2011. After dating for more than two years, Gary surprised Tio by whisking him off to San Diego to get married in January 2014. Throughout their 10 years of marriage, Gary and Tio had a lot of great adventures together. Gary's family and friends commented on how happy Gary was after he married Tio. Tio truly was the "love of his life" and made Gary very happy.

"Uncle Gary" made his nieces, nephews, and greats always feel special and made sure to spoil them on birthdays and Christmases. Each family member anticipated his cards, as we knew they would arrive at the latest, on time, for each special occasion. His Christmas cards, with beautiful photos, always announced his latest travels as he introduced connections with people and places across the world.

Gary provided a home away from home for many family members as they vacationed out West to enjoy the beautiful landscapes that he transformed into a lifelong career. Labeled a "tourism marketing genius," Gary exemplified the concept that if you "find a job you love, you'll never work a day in your life."

Gary is survived by his husband Tio (Siswo Prasetyo) of Denver, Colorado; mother, Jeanette (Oberhue) Schluter of Nashua; two sisters, Joyce Haberman of Nashua and Kathie Schluter of Charles City; two brothers, Lynne (Lisa) Schluter of Nashua, and Larry (Patti) Schluter of Farmington, Minnesota; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Howard Schluter, and brother-in-law, Ken Haberman.

David Lewis Crandall, 78

David Lewis Crandall, age 78 of Ionia, passed away on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at the Community Center (formerly The Senior Center) in Charles City from 1 to 4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to a charity of your choice.

— Mr. Crandall's complete obituary will appear in the June 7 edition of the Reporter

William Edward Barrett, 67

William Emmett Barrett, age 67 of Nashua, died Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at his home in Nashua.

No formal services will be held at this time. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua have been entrusted with arrangements.

James Penrod, 54

James Penrod, age 54 of Nashua, died Sunday, May 26, 2024, at Unity Point Allen Hospital in Waterloo.

A private family celebration will take place at a later date.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua have been entrusted with arrangements.

Jane Marie Van Raden, 78

Jane Marie Van Raden, age 78 of rural Plainfield, passed away at home on Monday morning, May 6, 2024.

There will be a Celebration of Life at noon on Saturday, June 1, 2024, at the home of Lorain and Marlea Van Raden, 1275 140th St., Plainfield.

Memorials may be directed to Jane's family for later designation and online condolences may be left at www.kaisercorson.com. Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Waverly is assisting the family.



Bob Fenske/Reporter

A pretty good start to summer!

Campers fill the campground at Airport Lake Park this past Saturday during the Memorial Day weekend, which is often referred to as the kick off to summer, and campgrounds throughout the county, including the Nashua Park Board's located in Cedar View Park, reported relatively brisk "business."

County attorney lauds agencies that contributed to guilty verdict

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The witnesses, Laudner said, ranged from Patrie's ex-wife and uncle to law enforcement officers to crime lab technicians to Gallmeyer's friends, neighbors and professional colleagues to two former inmates who served time in federal prison with Patrie.

"He had admitted to both of them that he shot Mr. Gallmeyer ... and we're grateful to both of them," Laudner said. "Both of them had since been released from federal prison, and both of them came to Iowa — one from Tennessee and one from North Carolina. ... They did it all on their own volition; they got nothing in return. They have both been released, and they came essentially to do justice and to make sure he was convicted."

Testimony in the trial revealed that Gallmeyer was shot and killed in his bed and that Patrie ransacked the house in search of a safe that contained cash and a coin collection. He never found the safe because Laudner said that Gallmeyer had moved it to an insurance office in Charles City.

Once the prosecution had rested its case Thursday morning, Patrie exercised his right not to testify and his two attorneys — Steven J. Drahoszal and Theresa Sampson Brown, two public defenders based out of Dubuque — did not call any witnesses.

After breaking for lunch, closing arguments were delivered and the jury received the case a little after 3 p.m. By 4:15, jurors notified District Court Judge Richard Stochl that they had reached a verdict, which was read out in court at 4:30.

The Gallmeyer family released a statement later that evening, thanking those who had worked on the case.

"This has been a case of poor circumstances and unforeseen problems," the statement read. "Our family is eternally grateful to all the parties who made this legal case possible and the thousands of hours of effort to make this case."

Laudner said he was "very grateful the jury delivered justice to the Gallmeyer family after nearly 12 years of waiting."

Gallmeyer's body was discovered on Oct. 4, 2012, when Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office deputies were called to do a welfare check at his home located north of Nashua.

Patrie became the chief suspect, and in early 2014, he pleaded guilty to possession of firearms by a felon as an armed career criminal and possession of sawed-off shotguns. In June of that year, U.S. District Court Judge Linda R. Reade invoked an "upward departure" at Patrie's sentencing and said she was handing down a life sentence because she believed Patrie had shot Gallmeyer during the burglary.

"Taking the life of another human being," Reade said during the sentencing in Cedar Rapids, "is the mark of a depraved individual."

Patrie, though, appealed his life sentence on constitutional grounds and an appellate court overturned it. He was subsequently sentenced to 20 years in federal prison.

Laudner said that the Gallmeyer murder was one of several cases "on his desk" when he took over as county attorney in the fall of 2021.

"It wasn't the first day but it was definitely the first week or two of me actually

working here that we had a half-day meeting," he said during an interview on Friday, "on this case [to] decide whether or not we were going to proceed with this case and so, how would we proceed with this case? We made the decision collectively."

As he did Thursday evening, Laudner said he was appreciative of the efforts made by the agencies involved in the case, and they included the Chickasaw County Sheriff's Office, the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation, Charles City Police Department and the Iowa Attorney General's Office.

He said having the Attorney General's Office involved in the case was, as he put it, "a game-changer."

"Not only do you get a prosecutor with high-felony level experience, but you also get the resources of their office as far as staffing, coordination of witnesses, gathering of all the evidence and submission of evidence, Laudner said. "I mean they're an invaluable resource, the Attorney General's Office, for a case like this."

He also lauded the work done by law enforcement personnel, especially in a case that didn't go to trial for almost a dozen years.

"There's been a preservation of evidence ... via a sworn statement, via a written statement or via a recorded statement," he said. "Trying a case almost 12 years after the crime, that's very important."

Stochl set Patrie's sentencing for 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 2.

Under Iowa law, though, Stochl has no discretion when it comes to sentencing because those convicted of first-degree murder must receive a life sentence with the possibility of parole.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET Chickasaw County Emergency Management Commission Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

The Chickasaw County Emergency Management Commission will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024

Meeting Date/Time: 6/11/2024 05:30 PM **Contact:** JEFF BERNATZ **Phone:** (641) 229-6101

Meeting Location: COMMUNITY SERVICE BUILDING, 260 E PROSPECT, NEW HAMPTON

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of: additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals>.

EXPENDITURES	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Amendment Increase	Total Budget After Current Amendment	Reason
Administration and Operations	144,069	25,000	169,069	Hazard Mitigation Plan
Capital Outlays	108,000	7,900	115,900	received Community Foundation Theisens of \$7,098 & \$800.00
Total	252,069	32,900	284,969	

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Recent rains replenish moisture in area fields

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subsoils in the district had the same. The report showed that the North Central District, which includes Butler and Floyd counties, is faring even better as 99 percent of its topsoil and 97 percent of its subsoil have either adequate or surplus moisture.

The drought was one of the top headlines throughout 2023 and persisted into early 2024 but recent rains — Nashua had recorded almost 10 inches of rain during the month of May as of Thursday — have seen the drought picture considerably brighten.

Three months ago, all four

area counties were classified as suffering "extreme drought" and even last week, much of the area was still in what is termed "moderate drought."

The biggest challenge now for area farmers is finishing what has been a slow-going planting season. Eighty-eight percent of corn in the Northeast District has been planted, according to the latest Crop and Condition report, while 83 percent of soybeans have been planted. But just a little more than half of the corn has "emerged."

And more rain is in the forecast as there are chances of precipitation every day through at least the middle of next week.

Drainage system workshop will be held next week near Nashua

Iowa Learning Farms, in partnership with Iowa State University and Michigan State University, will host a smart agricultural drainage system workshop from noon to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4 at the Borlaug Learning Center near Nashua.

Tile drainage is among the most important land use improvements for agriculture with about 50 percent of Iowa's cropland having systems installed.

Drained croplands produce a disproportionately large amount of grain compared to total croplands, but also deliver a disproportionately large amount of nitrate to downstream waterways.

A new smart agricultural drainage system project is exploring the use of new robotic and sensor technology to inform the need to balance the effects of drainage on productivity, profitability, and environmental quality.

The events is free and open to farmers and landowners, though reservations are required to ensure adequate space and food.

For reasonable accommodations and to RSVP, please contact Liz Ripley at 515-294-5429 or ilf@iastate.edu.

CHICKASAW COUNTY DELINQUENT TAX LIST

NOTICE OF TAX SALE AND DELINQUENT TAX LIST OFFICE OF CHICKASAW COUNTY TREASURER NEW HAMPTON, IOWA SALE DATE JUNE 17, 2024

I, Matthew Ysbrand, Treasurer of Chickasaw County, Iowa, hereby give notice as required by law, that on the third Monday of June at 10:00 A.M., the date being June 17, 2024, the Chickasaw County Tax Sale will be held online. The online auction site can be accessed by registered bidders by going to www.iowataxauktion.com. We will offer for sale all properties having delinquent taxes and special assessments. This list may contain properties that are in bankruptcy proceedings. The properties in bankruptcy will not be offered for sale.

The following listing of properties subject to taxation includes delinquent real estate taxes, delinquent mobile home taxes and delinquent special assessments. The sale will be for the total of all taxes due and unpaid up to the time and date of sale. All properties remaining unsold on the sale date will be offered at subsequent tax sales, held on a continuing basis.

All names and property descriptions bearing no specific designations are tax listings for unpaid taxes for the 2022 assessment year, payable September 2023 thru March 2024. All those bearing the symbol (*) are two year delinquent taxes that remain unpaid and will be offered for Public Bidder's Sale. If the Public Bidder Sale properties remain unsold, they must be sold to Chickasaw County.

As provided by Chapter 446.14 Code of Iowa "No irregularity or informality in the advertisement shall affect the legality of the sale or the title to a parcel conveyed by the Treasurer's deed under this chapter and Chapters 447 and 448, and in all cases, its provisions shall be sufficient notice to the owners of the sale of the parcel."

If the property is not redeemed pursuant to Chapter 447 of the Code of Iowa, the right of redemption expires and a tax deed may issue.

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73) GREELEY'S LOT 29 & S 10FT OF 28 BLK 1

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LANTZ, JENNIFER L. 191318451086
74) LOT 4 BLK O CENTRAL ADD.

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MARXILLA, LLC 191317201115
75) LOT 5 & LOT 6 BROOKLYN INDUSTRIAL PARK

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MCDONALD, CHRISTIAN S. & KAREN M. JT 191319101110
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MOORE, RACHAEL 191318476030
77) LOT 4 BLK 4, NASHUA

\$139.00

SCOBEE, RYAN 191319126001
78) UNDERWOODS AD 1.2,3 (EX W 5' OF LOT 3) BLK 1

\$770.00

SIEMONS, BRANDEN & STEPHANIE JT 191317276002
79) LOT 22 (EX E 183') AND LOT 21 (EX E 183' & EX SOUTH 78' OF WEST 147') SMITH'S ADDITION

\$165.00

STATE STREET HOLDINGS, LLC 191318476111
80) N 32FT S 42FT LOT 5 EX N 5IN OF E 37FT BLK 10

\$1,155.00

STOUGHT, CLINT 191319101078
81) LOT 3 BLOCK 12 COLER'S 1ST ADDITION

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82) 18-94-14 THAT PORTION OF LOT 13 OF IRR. SUR. IN NW SE LYING

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BLK 2 GREELEY'S ADD

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NASHUA-PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT	Chris Hagen to approve the Washington DC Trip in 2026. Motion carried unanimously.
BOARD OF EDUCATION Regular Board Meeting May 13, 2024	X. 2nd Reading of 400 Series Board Policies.
Nashua-Plainfield JH/HS Commons 7:00 p.m.	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Lara Lawrence, Patrick Lentz. Also Present: Superintendent Todd Liechty, MS/HS Principal Dean Youngblut, and Board Secretary Ashley Ratliff.
I. Call to Order	
Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Pat Lentz. Present: Laura Folkerts, Chris Hagen, Cody Jensen, Lara Lawrence, Patrick Lentz. Also Present: Superintendent Todd Liechty, MS/HS Principal Dean Youngblut, and Board Secretary Ashley Ratliff.	XXII. Approve Continuing Concurrent Enrollment Agreement with Hawkeye CC
III. Approve the Consent Agenda	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the 2nd reading of the 400 series of the board policies. Motion carried unanimously.
IV. Cash Flow Report	XI. 2nd Reading of Select 700 Series Board Policies and 1 900 Series for Safety Grant
The Board reviewed the cash flow report	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the select 700 series board policies and the 1 900 series for the Safety Grant. Motion carried unanimously.
V. Welcome Visitors and Hearing of Delegations	XII. First Reading Board Policies 800 Series
No comments were made.	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the 800 series of board policies. Motion carried unanimously.
VI. Administrative Reports	XIII. First Reading of Board Policies 900 Series
The Administration went over their reports with the board.	No motion was made.
VII. Approve passing All "AEA Flowthrough Dollars" to the AEA	XIV. Facility Naming Discussion
Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve moving all AEA Flowthrough Dollars to the AEA. Motion carried unanimously.	The board discussed facility naming rights. No motion was made.
VIII. Washington DC Trip Report	XV. Approve Financial Auditor for FY25 - FY27
A few students reported on their DC trip this year.	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Lara Lawrence to approve Kay Chapman as the district's financial auditors for FY25-FY27. Motion carried unanimously.
IX. Approve Washington DC trip in 2026.	XVI. Approve Contract with Pathways Services
Motion by Cody Jensen, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the contract with Pathway for FY25. Motion carried unanimously.	Motion by Lara Lawrence, Second by Cody Jensen to set the public hearing to amend FY24 Budget
X. Welcome Visitors and Hearing of Delegations	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to set the public hearing to amend FY24 Budget on June 10 at 7pm in the JH/HS Commons. Motion carried unanimously.
No comments were made.	XVII. Approve elementary color run fundraiser.
XI. Approve Elementary Office Update Quote	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the elementary office updates. Motion carried unanimously.
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Motion by Cody Jensen, Second by Chris Hagen to approve Kay Chapman as the district's financial auditors for FY25-FY27. Motion carried unanimously.	Motion by Cody Jensen, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the elementary office updates. Motion carried unanimously.
XIII. Approve Elementary Restroom Floor Refinishing	XIX. Approve Elementary Restroom Floor Refinishing
Motion by Chris Hagen, Second by Laura Folkerts to approve the elementary rest room floor refinishing. Motion carried unanimously.	Motion by Chris Hagen, Second by Laura Folkerts to approve the elementary rest room floor refinishing. Motion carried unanimously.
XIV. Approve FY25 Fall, Winter, and Spring Coaching Contracts	XX. Approve FY25 Fall, Winter, and Spring Coaching Contracts
Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the Fall and Winter coaching contracts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the Fall and Winter coaching contracts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
XV. Approve Washington DC trip in 2026.	XXI. Approve FY25 calendar change
Motion by Cody Jensen, Second by Chris Hagen to approve the FY25 calendar change. Motion carried unanimously.	Motion by Laura Folkerts, Second by Cody Jensen to approve the FY25 calendar change. Motion carried unanimously.
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City Council approves advertising for water/wastewater employee

CITY COUNCIL: FROM 1

the city's bond council advised not to reallocate a portion of the \$3.75 million that was authorized for dam repair and wastewater treatment plant upgrades. That meant the public hearing for those demolition projects was

tabled and delayed.

The Council also decided to advertise for the hire of a water/wastewater employee.

At an April 15 Council meeting, Chad McCleary, Water/Wastewater Superintendent from Ion Environmental Solutions, informed

the Council that they will not be renewing their contract with the city, stating the requirements from Field Office No. 1 are going to be too prohibitive. McCleary said he will work with the city during the transition. The current contract with Ion runs out on June 30 of this year.

A downtown steering committee will now be formed after council members voted to do so on Monday. That committee, comprised of a diverse group of community members, would assess community needs, develop recommendations, provide advice and research funding sources to help revitalized downtown.

The committee would be comprised of volunteers and consist of no more than nine members.

The committee does not have authority to expend any monetary funds or make decisions on behalf of the city.

News from the Nashua Public Library

The Nashua Public Library is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We can be reached by phone at 641-435-4635, and you can reserve books online as well through our online catalog, call the library if you need help by going online to <https://nashua.biblionix.com/catalog/>.

The library is now offering notary services to patrons. Our library director is now a notary public through the state of Iowa. If you need notary services, make sure to stop into the library or give us a call to ensure our library director is available.

We're here to help all the residents of Nashua and appreciate our patrons, so if you have questions, please don't hesitate to stop by or give us a call!

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Upcoming events at the Nashua Public Library include:

- Saturday, June 8: Dads and Donuts, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, June 12: Family Fun Night (4:30 to 5:30 p.m.) — Come with your bike or scooter and your safety helmet during this Family Fun Night.

FREE and open to all! There will be an obstacle course set up along with a few extra bikes and scooters to share for those that can't bring their own. There will be stations about bike safety with activities. We will have the Smoothie Bike here as well from Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments (INRCOG). We will be making healthy smoothies for those who would like one. Helmets will be available to those in need on a first come first serve basis. (Limited Supply from INRCOG.)

- Wednesday, June 12: Library Board meeting at 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 19: Family Fun Night (6 to 7:30 p.m.) — It's Movie Night at the library as we'll watch "A Bug's Life" and enjoy some tasty snacks.

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- Wednesday, June 26: Family Fun Night (5 to 7:30 p.m.) — Did someone say ESCAPE ROOM?

FREE and open to all! This escape room is family friendly and geared towards children and their family. Join us as we venture to Wooka Booka Island! To take part in this escape room you will need to sign up at the library starting June 1. If you have a group/family, we will sign you up all together. If you are on your own, we will add you to a group. The escape room should take about 30 minutes. There will be a total of five groups that will be able to go through the Escape Room.

- Wednesday, July 10: Family Fun Night (6:30 to 7:30 p.m.) — Love our Earth, Love our Bugs:

FREE and open to all ages! There will be over 100 species of living arthropods, on display in the library! Knowledgeable Insect Zoo staff will talk about why our multi-legged friends are important for a healthy Earth, how you can help them in your own outdoor spaces, and how you can Spread the Bug Love!

Many hands-on opportunities to handle millipedes, beetles, walking sticks and more! Bring in your photos of bugs to be identified or even the bug itself! From beetles to roaches, tarantulas, and scorpions, come get up close and personal with some very important animals!

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• We'll preview the rest of the Family Fun Nights that will be held July 17, 24 and 31 and Aug. 7, 14 and 21 in an upcoming issue of the Reporter.

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Some of the new books we have at the library include:

- Summers at the Saint by Mary Kay Andrews
- The Paradise Problem by Christina Lauren
- The Heist by Jack DuBrul
- The Murder Inn by James Patterson
- Calamity of Souls by David Baldacci
- Shakespeare by Judi Dench
- Only the Brave by Danielle Steel
- An Unfinished Murder by Jude Deveraux
- Museum of Lost Quilts by Jennifer Chiaverini

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Thanks for a memorable spring!

Hats off to our Nashua-Plainfield student-athletes and their coaches for their efforts in both track and field and golf



Members of the Nashua-Plainfield girls track and field team that brought home the runner-up trophy from the Class 1A state meet included (front row, from left) Jordyn Frost, Amberley Gerholdt, Rilynn Henningson, Serena Gallmeyer, Jennifer McLeland, Makenna Bouillon, Jalissa White, Abigail Schmitt, (second row) Maci Malven, Jena Peterson, Jayla Patten, Marleigh Lowe, Rachel Paplow, Bailey Bond, Ellie Eick, (back row) Emma O'Neill, Myranda Webster, Kadence Huck, Eden Lamborn, Brooke Russell, Lily Eiffler, Kami Hannemann and Rayne Boehmer.



The logo for Wilken & Sons Auto Salvage. At the top, the words "GO HUSKIES!" are written in large, bold, black letters. Below this, a black and white photograph of a husky dog's head is partially visible. The company name "Wilken & Sons" is written in a large, stylized, serif font, with "Wilken" on the first line and "& Sons" on the second line. A horizontal line runs through the middle of the "W". Below this line, the words "Auto Salvage" are written in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font.

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Members of the Nashua-Plainfield boys track and field team included (front row, from left) Vincent Runge, Benjamin Percy, Carson Mundorf, Nick Hulbert, James Corathers, Connor Sullivan, Quintyn Boehmer, Clayden Gerholdt, Braeden Mitchell, (second row) Miles Carpenter, Tyler Zimmer, Aiden Gelner, Navarii Williams, Tucker Franzen, Brady Lensing, Chris Niedert, Landon Foelske, (third row) Brexton Bird, Jase Hansen, Easton Richards, Devon Blanchard, Dylan Blanchard, Luke Paplow, Lucas Sinnwell, Karson Chyma, (back row) Titus Evans, Jake Smith, Blaine Brannon, Eli Kalainoff, Zander Lentz, Avery Mueller, Caleb Lentz and Trae Geise.



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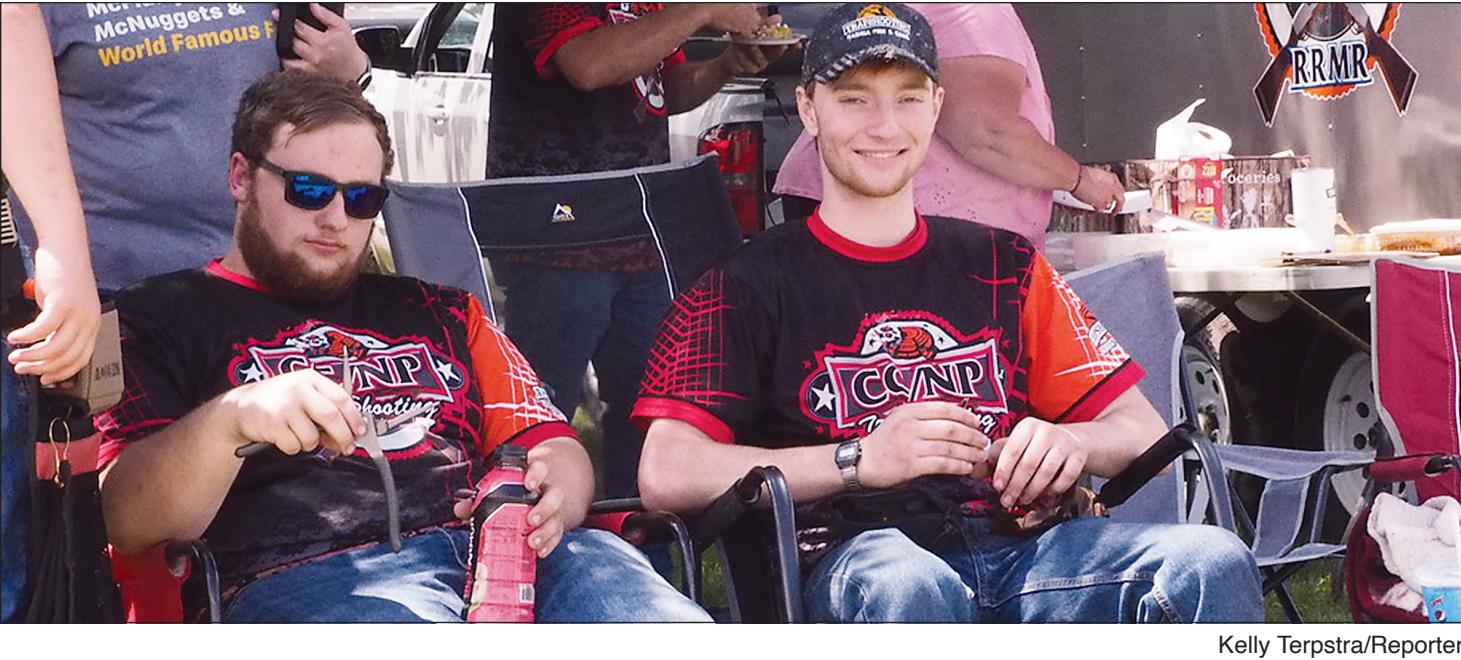
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Members of the Nashua-Plainfield girls golf team that qualified for the Class 1A state tournament for a second year in a row included (from left) Elayna O'Neill, Faith Franzen, Payton Howland, Natalie Sinnwell, Paige

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Nashua-Plainfield trapshooters Micaiah Groorthuis (left) and J.R. O'Neill relax as they wait for their turn to shoot at a recent meet.

Huskies' Glaser takes tough 'L' against Saints

BASEBALL: FROM 12

at least one run, maybe two, and it's a different ballgame."

Glaser went the distance, giving up just three hits while walking four and striking out three. The Saints' Schwiesow was even better, tossing a two-hitter that included 14 strikeouts and just one walk.

"I think these last two games show we can compete with anyone," Miller said. "Saint's good, obviously, but we were right there. We need the guys to understand that we're right there with the best teams in the conference."

The St. Ansgar game came after the Huskies concluded the opening week of the season with the win over Central Springs and the loss to Newman.

Against Central Springs, Vance and Devon Griffin did stellar work on the mound in relief as they combined to give up four hits and three walks while striking out nine over the final 4 1/3 innings of the game.

Meanwhile, the Huskies' offense broke through with a seven-run third inning and was led by Eli Kalainoff, who had a pair of doubles, and drove in four runs. Glaser also had four RBIs while Vance finished with two hits.

The following night, Nashua-Plainfield used a four-run second inning to take that 5-0 lead against Newman, but the Huskies' committed four errors that led to 11 unearned runs for the Knights.

"We weren't shape enough defensively," Miller said. "We're still working on finding the right combinations in the field, but you can't give teams, especially the Newmans of the world, free runs."

After playing a road game against Belmond-Klemme Thursday, another tough test awaits tonight when Osage comes to Nashua for a TIC East contest.

The Green Devils improved to 5-1 with a 12-0 win over North Butler on Wednesday and will pitch their ace, senior Max Gast, against the Huskies.

Asked what needs to improve for his squad, Miller touched on the Huskies' glove work but said the key is "our approaches to elite pitchers. ... Right now, we're not timing up the fastball, but that will come with time. We'll get there; I'm confident of that."

The Huskies' schedule next week is busy as they play at North Butler on Monday, head to Kee High Wednesday, travel to Don Bosco Thursday and then play a home game against West Fork Friday.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 13, CENTRAL SPRINGS 7

CS	132	010	0	-	7
NP	307	201	x	-	13
Tucker Franzen	2 2/3 IP	7 H	6	R	3 ER, 6 BB, 3 K; Kolbie Vance
Devon Griffin	2 2/3 IP	0 H	0 R	0 ER	0 BB, 2 K.

2B	Eli Kalainoff	2 Runs - Wyatt Bouillon	3, Kalainoff	3, Franzen	2, Hayden Munn	2, Titus Evans	1, Matthew Malven	1, Nic Brase	1. Hits - Kalainoff	2, Vance	2, Bouillon	1, Dawson Glaser	1, Evans	1, Karson Chyma	1. RBIs - Kalainoff	4, Glaser	4, Bouillon	1, Franzen	1, Chyma	1, Malven	1, Vance.
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MASON CITY NEWMAN 15, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 5

NP	140	000	-	5
MCN	060	603	-	15
Glaser	3 2/3 IP	7 H, 12 R, 2 ER, 2 BB, 4 K; Nic Brase	1 1/3 IP	4 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 2 BB, 1 K.

ST. ANSGAR 2, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 1					
NP	100	000	-	1	
SA	200	000	x	-	2
Glaser	6 IP	3 H, 2 R, 1 ER, 4 BB, 3 K.			

Runs - Franzen 2, Kalainoff 1, Devon Griffin 1, Cam Cleveland 1. Hits - Glaser 2, Kalainoff 1, Bouillon 1. RBIs - Kalainoff 2, Glaser 1.

ST. ANSGAR 2, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 1

NP	100	000	-	1	
SA	200	000	x	-	2
Glaser	6 IP	3 H, 2 R, 1 ER, 4 BB, 3 K.			

Runs - Bouillon 1. Hits - Evans 1, Vance 1.

Trapshooters continue to build for state tournament

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Nashua-Plainfield trapshooters are putting the finishing touches on another fine season out on the range this spring.

Most recently, the Huskies competed at the South Winn Invite last Saturday.

Husky seniors Dawson Demro and Micaiah Groothuis each tallied 47s.

Nic Brase, a junior, fired a 45 and N-P senior J.R. O'Neill came up with a 41.

On Monday, May 20 at home, O'Neill was on point with a 48, followed by Demro's 47 and Groothuis' 46.

In another meet at home on

Thursday, May 16, Demro hit 93 targets out of 100. Groothuis came up with a 92 and O'Neill racked up a 90.

The Huskies traveled to the Ventura Gun Club on Monday, May 13. Groothuis finished with a 44.

Demro matched his senior teammate with a 44 of his own. O'Neill shot down 42 targets out of 50.

N-P will compete at the state meet, held at Cedar Falls Gun Club, in singles competition on Sunday, June 9.

The Iowa DNR (Department of Natural Resources) hosts the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) state trapshooting championships every year.

Super young Huskies look for first win

SOFTBALL: FROM 12

pivotal performers for the Huskies are junior Paige Franzen (catcher/infield) and sophomore first baseman Elayna O'Neill. Both played on Jeff Trost's back-to-back state-qualifying girls golf team this spring and like the youthful Huskies' squad, are looking to get in the swing of the things early on in the season.

"We're a super young team. I only have four upperclassmen," said Stastny-Hall. "My upperclassmen know they have to step up and be role models for these younger girls that are playing on the field because they're not used to the varsity level quite yet. They're going to make mistakes. You gotta help cheer 'em up."

Stastny-Hall talked about the rough patches her team has faced in the first two weeks of the season and how her girls will look to turn the tide in a weekend tournament at Hudson. N-P played Osage on Thursday at home and hits the road once more at North Butler on Friday.

"It's just how do we overcome those? We talked about that last night as a team. If a girl hits a home run we can't let that get in our heads that it's over," said Stastny-Hall. "Let's rebound. It's a new batter."

ROCKFORD 11, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 3

N-P	201	000	0	-	3
Rock	002	333	x	-	11
Pitching - Callie Jensen	5 1/3 IP	9 H, 11 R, 10 ER, 8 BB, 13 K., Hannah Bahn	2/3 IP, 1 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 0 BB, 1 K.		

2B - Kami Hannemann 2. Runs - Kristen Lee 1, Abi Schmitt 1, Jalynn Pratt 1. Hits - Hannemann 2, Schmitt 1, Nevaeh Bloker 1. RBI - Bloker 1.

NORTHWOOD-KENSETT 9, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 5

NK	000	004	5	-	9
NP	003	110	0	-	5
Pitching - Jensen	7 IP	10 H, 9 R, 7 ER, 4 BB, 11 K.			

2B - Jansen 2. Runs - Hannemann 2, Bloker 1, Jensen 1, Pratt 1. Hits - Bloker 2, Pratt 2, Jensen 1, Lee 1, Hannemann 1, Adiley Gerholdt 1. RBI - Bloker 1, Jensen 1, Pratt 1, Hannemann 1.

HAMPTON-DUMONT-CAL 14, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 0

Nashua-Plainfield	000	-	0
Hampton-Dumont-CAL	455	-	14
Pitching - Brahn	1 2/3 IP	5 H, 9 R, 7 ER, 8 BB, 1 K, Lee 1/3 IP, 4 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 1 BB, 0 K.	

5 ER, 1 BB, 0 K.

MASON CITY NEWMAN 18, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 0

Nashua-Plainfield	000	-	0
MCNewman	(15)0x	-	18
Pitching - Jensen	1 1/3 IP	10 H, 15 R, 13 ER, 4 BB, 0 K, Lee 2/3 IP, 1 H, 3 R, 0 ER, 2 BB, 0 K.	

Hits - Bloker.

ST. ANSGAR 13, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 1

Nashua-Plainfield	100	0	-	1
St. Ansgar	561	1	-	13
Pitching - Jensen	3 2/3 IP	11 H, 13 R, 11 ER, 3 BB, 2 K.		

Runs - Bloker. Hits - Bloker 1, Paige Franzen 1, Hannemann 1. RBI - Hannemann 1.

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ROARING BACK!

Nashua-Plainfield's two seniors — Natalie Sinnwell (above) and Payton Howland (below) — watch their puts head toward the hole during the first round of the Class 1A state tournament last week.

AFTER TOUGH FIRST ROUND, HUSKIES HEAT UP AT STATE GOLF TOURNEY

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

As far as post-meet celebrations go, Peppers Grill and Sports Pub in Cedar Falls was where it was at for the Nashua-Plainfield girls golf team last Friday evening.

Check out the chicken bacon avocado quesadilla, by the way.

The Huskies definitely deserved to have a good time after last Friday's 18-hole round was completed at the Class 1A state girls golf tournament at the American Legion Golf Course in Marshalltown.

So N-P head coach Jeff Trost and his players, along with family, friends and Husky fans all headed to that restaurant that was established back in the early 90s.

Now before this becomes a plug for the eatery in Black Hawk County, the menu was probably the last thing on everyone's mind that took part in the season-ending party.

Just ask N-P junior Paige Franzen, who recovered after an uncharacteristic opening round at state on Thursday and helped lead the Husky charge to a stellar finish.

"Most of our parents came with and we pulled up chairs. We had the team on one end and the parents on the other end," said Franzen about the team meal the Huskies took part in. "It was so fun. I don't think I've ever laughed so much in my entire life. I think that just speaks to our team relationship, too."

That connecting bond that was forged several seasons — long before N-P finished with a flurry on Friday to score its lowest round (370) in quite a while — grew even stronger at Peppers.

One of the most exciting aspects of Trost's bunch — who lose only two seniors to graduation — is can they get back to state and continue a winning tradition that the N-P head coach started 44 years ago?

It might not be wise to doubt them, that much is certain.

The big picture is N-P finished up its season at state for the second-consecutive year — where it claimed back-to-back ninth-place finishes.

Heck, N-P played so well that the 370 the Huskies posted in the final round at state was tied for the third-best team score on day two along with fourth-place New London.

That last round of golf for the Huskies this spring was a 39-stroke improvement from Thursday's start to state —



the most of any school in the 10-team state field.

Easton Valley — the small-school state champ — carded the best round of the tournament on Friday with a 348 to wind up with a 711. BCLUW (740) was second and racked up a final round tally of 369.

N-P was on top of its game on Friday after showers drenched the course in the morning, which helped some individuals and teams lower their scores because the moisture on those putting surfaces slowed down the fast greens.

Franzen — who shot an 80,

15 strokes better than her 95 on Thursday — had to endure a disastrous first hole on day one.

Her tee shot on Hole No. 8 veered far left and out of bounds.

She ended up carding an
SEE STATE GOLF, 11



Faith Franzen watches her iron shot head toward the green during the first round of the state tournament.

Huskies show they can play with 'big boys'

Despite falling to Newman and St. Ansgar, N-P coach sees games as building blocks

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

we're playing for a district and a postseason run. ... And games like this help us."

The Huskies took a 1-0 lead in the top of first, but St. Ansgar answered back with two runs of its own in the bottom of the frame.

And then Nashua-Plainfield's Dawson Glaser and St. Ansgar's Jayce Schwiesow "locked in" the rest of the way.

"It was a straight-up pitcher's duel," Miller said. "Two aces, two basically all-state guys in my opinion, just went at each other and it was a heck of a game."

Nashua-Plainfield's best chance to break through against Schwiesow came in the fourth inning when the Huskies had runners at first and second only to see Kolbie Vance line out into a double play.

"Kolbie hit an absolute missile, and unfortunately it was literally right at their first baseman," Miller said. "It was just one of those bang-bang plays. If he hits a foot either side, we get

SEE BASEBALL, 11



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield leadoff hitter Wyatt Bouillon looks for the signs during a game against Northwood-Kensett last week.

ON TAP FOR OUR N-P HUSKIES

FRIDAY

JV baseball at Osage, 10 a.m.

Baseball vs. Osage, JV at 4 p.m., varsity at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY

Varsity softball at Hudson Invitational, 9 a.m.

MONDAY

JV baseball vs. Mason City Newman, 10 a.m.

Baseball at North Butler, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Softball at North Butler, varsity at 6 p.m., JV to follow.

TUESDAY

JV baseball vs. Janesville, 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

JV baseball at North Butler, 10 a.m.

Baseball at Kee, New Albin, JV at 5 p.m., varsity at 7 p.m.

Softball at New Hampton, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

Baseball at Don Bosco, varsity at 5 p.m., JV to follow.

Softball at South Winneshiek, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Baseball vs. West Fork, JV at 4 p.m., varsity at 6 p.m.

Softball vs. West Fork, varsity at 5 p.m., JV to follow.

MONDAY, JUNE 10

JV baseball at Riceville, 9:30 a.m.

Baseball vs. Rockford, JV at 4 p.m., varsity at 6 p.m.

Varsity softball vs. Rockford, 5 p.m.



N-P girls let lead slip away in loss to N-K

Young Huskies build 5-0 lead, but Vikings rally to keep Nashua-Plainfield winless

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Huskies got out to a great start — it's the finish they're still working on.

In last week Wednesday's home opener versus Northwood-Kensett — the Nashua-Plainfield softball team took a 5-0 lead into the final two frames.

Needless to say, the Huskies were cruising behind eighth-grade hurler Callie Jensen — who finished with an incredible total of 11 strikeouts.

But the Vikings — backed by eighth-grade pitcher Bailey Thorson's home run — rallied to stun the Huskies in a come-from-behind 9-5 victory.

N-P fifth-year head coach — Jessica Stastny-Hall — talked about her young squad and how they are working on

overcoming setbacks in a season that is going to be filled with plenty of ups-and-downs.

"Northwood hit a home run. That took a little wind out of our sails," said Stastny-Hall. "So the girls kind of got down on that. Northwood started hitting the gaps that we weren't predicting. We had one bad seventh inning where the lead got blown. It was a hard loss for the girls because it was right there in our hands."

N-P has just one senior on its roster — infielder Jalynn Pratt — and sports several eighth-graders, starting with Jensen.

Jensen was throwing smoke in the season opener last week Monday, May 20 at Rockford. She fanned 13 Warriors in the 11-3 loss. Her control is still an issue inside the circle as she

walked eight batters.

N-P sophomore Navaeh Bloker knocked in two runs in that contest versus Rockford and sophomore shortstop Kami Hannemann roped two doubles.

N-P, 0-5 overall and 0-4 in the Top of Iowa East Division, encountered some quality competition on Thursday and Friday of last week.

Hampton-Dumont-CAL blanked the Huskies, 14-0, on Thursday and No. 9 Mason City Newman did the same the following night, routing N-P, 18-0.

N-P saw two key starters play their first game of the season on Wednesday at St. Ansgar — a game the Saints won, 13-1, in four innings. Those

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Nashua-Plainfield's Kami Hannemann makes the catch to record an out in the Huskies' game against Northwood-Kensett last week.