

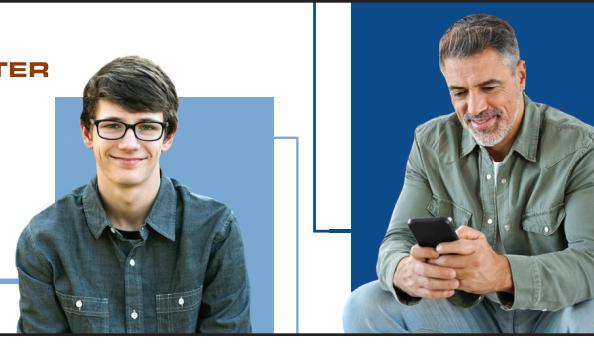


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Agronomist: Planting is complete

'Historic' drought turnaround made it challenging season for growers in Nashua area

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

The latest USDA Iowa Crop and Condition Report released on Monday showed that the planting season in our neck of the woods isn't quite complete.

ISU Extension Agronomist Terry Basol begs to disagree.

"The guys I've talked to are done," he said and then recounted a conversation he had with an area farmer on Tuesday. "We were talking about where he was at and he said he had been back out, touching up a few fields, but that he was parking his planter until next spring. And that's what I'm hearing from everyone in our area. It's a common

theme, planting season is done."

And boy oh boy, it was a challenging one for area growers because of a spring that was, in a word, wet.

Nashua, for example, received 9.15 inches of rain in May, not quite double but close to the normal amount of rain (around 5 inches) that normally fall during the month. And June hasn't exactly started

off dry as the recording station just outside of the city has already received almost 3 inches of rain, double the amount of precipitation that usually falls during the first 11 days of the month.

"We just couldn't get any

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Library kicks off a summer of fun for families

Director proud that facility offers Family Fun Nights and the bonus is promoting reading

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Nashua Public Library Director Heather Hackman loves to see families use her library, especially in the summer.

It's why she puts so much time and effort into planning the library's Family Fun Nights that have become a staple in recent years at the library. This year's series of Family Fun Nights kicked off on Wednesday and focused on bike safety for young and old alike and will continue each

Wednesday, save for the week of the Fourth of July, through Aug. 21.

"I came up with the Family Fun Nights four years ago, to try to get more families in the

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Chickasaw County EMS all moved in

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Chickasaw County EMS moved into its new living quarters at the ambulance station sooner than expected and save for a few "finishing touches," the project is complete.

And that means the county is no longer renting an apartment to house paramedics, EMTs and drivers who work on the main crew of the publicly-owned ambulance service.

During a department update at Monday's Board of Supervisors meeting, Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson told county leaders that his department "turned over the keys" to the apartment it had been renting on May 31 and moved into the living quarters that include a downstairs office and kitchen area and upstairs bedrooms and living rooms.

"It's worked out well, very well," Knutson said Tuesday morning, "and we just have a finishing touch here and there and we'll call it complete."

During Monday's meeting, board members acknowledged the use of donated funds to purchase two chairs

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Nashua-Plainfield High School students Ava Kirk and Elexa O'Neill, who will be juniors this fall, pose for a picture after winning a national championship for their group website at the National History Day contest that wrapped up on Thursday.

BRINGING HOME ANOTHER 'NATTY'

KIRK, O'NEILL WIN NATIONAL HISTORY DAY TITLE; SINKWELL TAKES THIRD; TWO MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE FINALISTS

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield's National History Day program added to its legacy this week with a national championship and two more top-10 finishes at the national contest that was held in suburban Washington, D.C.

Elexa O'Neill and Ava Kirk claimed the national title in the senior division for their group website about a photographer who helped

focus American's attention on the issue of child labor in the early 1900s while Caleb Sinnwell claimed a medal for the fourth straight year with his individual website recounting the 1980s farm crisis.

And two soon-to-be eighth-graders — Emmie O'Neill and Mia Schmitt — made the finals in the junior website division for a top-10 finish.

"I'm beyond proud of all of our kids who competed," National History Day advisor Suzy Turner said, "and to come home with a national

champion, a third-place finish and a finalist, that's really just icing on the cake. They've put in countless hours into their projects, but they also represented our school so well during the entire week we were out here."

This was a case of saving the best for last.

The national championship duo's category was the final one announced at Thursday's awards ceremony, and O'Neill and Kirk had

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Ionia librarian adds 'author' to her resume

Writing has always been a big part of Watson's life and she's excited for release party for 'Camp Effigy'

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

She's a nurse, death investigator and a librarian, and now one can add author to the list of India Watson's vocations.

The Ionia Public Library director recently published the first book

"Camp Effigy: A Ghost Story" and will

have a book release party at the library

a week from today, Thursday, June 20.

"I'm so excited because writing — ever since I've been a little girl — has been such a big part of my life," she said during a recent interview. "I think that's one of the reasons I stepped away a bit from nursing. That really sapped my writing, and I missed it so much."

So for the last year and a half, she has served as the library director in Ionia and worked to bring a love of reading and writing to both young and old alike.

"I'm one of those people who can just get lost in a book or writing a story," she said. "It's so good for the soul, and I hope people will enjoy this series."

Camp Effigy — written under her

Peers help librarian tackle new career

India Watson has had to play a little "catch-up" when it comes to her new career, and she is, in a word, grateful for the support she's received from area librarians.

"I don't have a library science degree or anything like that," the Ionia Public Library director said, "but I've gone through all the certification process and thankfully, been able to lean on a number of people to help me on this new path."

She said other Chickasaw County librarians have been there for her when she has questions.

"Thank God for Heather,"

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pen name I A M Watson — is the first of several books that are aimed at reaching "middle grade" readers and it explores what Watson calls some "heavy themes" yet she believes her

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Bob Fenske/Reporter
Ionia Public Library Director India Watson poses for a photo with the book she recently published.

N-P NHD advisor is proud of all her national qualifiers

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to go through the whole process that included the announcement of the finalists and the awarding of the third- and second-place medals before learning that they had won.

"They had no idea until their names were called if they were just a finalist or a national champion," Turner said. "To say they were excited would be an understatement. And they should be. It's a huge accomplishment."

Their website titled "'Point, Click, Shoot: Lewis Hine's Photographs Create a Turning Point for Child Labor'" became Nashua-Plainfield's third national championship project, joining individual websites put together by Sinnwell in 2021 and 2022 to claim top prizes at the contest.

"It was very emotional to say the least," Turner said. "We took pictures and Elexa was crying in most of them and I finally asked her why she was crying? 'I'm so happy I can't stop.' Again, like all our kids, they've poured their hearts and souls into this."

Sinnwell's website titled "A Devastating Decade of Dying Dreams: How the 1980s Farm Crisis Changed Rural America" took third-place and Turner lauded the soon-to-be senior.

"I don't know if anyone who isn't part of History Day can really realize how hard it is to be a top-three finisher for four

straight years," she said. "It's a monumental accomplishment."

The 2024 contest marked only the second time in school history that Nashua-Plainfield brought home two top-three pages.

The first came in 2018 when Morgan Kapping's individual exhibit and a group website put together by Caleb Lines, Abby Poppe, Faith Carpenter and Jayne Levi finished third in their respective divisions.

In National History Day, students first compete at a district contest and the top-two finishers in each division move on to a state contest, where the top-two finishers earn trips to the national contest that is held each year on the University of Maryland campus in Landover.

Nashua-Plainfield had the most qualifiers from Iowa as 12 students took seven projects to the national contest.

Titus Czerwinski competed in senior individual performance; Paige Franzen, Kadence Huck and Cal Levi and Jean Peterson and Serena Gallmeyer competed in senior group documentary; and Jackson Mehmen competed in individual website.

"Just making nationals is a huge deal," Turner said Thursday afternoon. "There's always a little sadness, but there shouldn't be. It was a really good day for NHD at Nashua-Plainfield, but I would be saying no matter what happened earlier today."



Photos courtesy of Heather Hackman

During the first Family Fun Night of the season at the Nashua Public Library, which had to be moved indoors because of threatening weather, children had the opportunity to learn about both bicycle and scooter, as well as how to do proper maintenance on their bikes.

Family Fun Nights will cover a variety of topics

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library and to our programs," she said, "and it has proven to be a resounding success! All my hard work and time to bring programs to our library that are unique experiences and free for families is something they look forward to each summer."

In addition to the programs offered — and trust us, they range the gamut — family members receive a light meal and drink before they head for home.

And each child is able to pick out a free book to take home.

"Each time children attend a summer program they receive a free book," she said. "And if they attend all of our Family Fun Programs this summer that means they get 10 free books for the summer!"

Hackman said she appreciates the Community Partnerships for Protecting Children for the funding that helps bring a majority of the programs to Nashua each summer.

She also said having what she calls "exciting prizes" helps get children excited about reading during their summer vacations. A year ago, those taking part in the program read for 241,920 minutes. That adds up to 4,032 hours of reading that provides benefits that extend past the summer months.

"Summer reading does a lot for our overall health," she said, "it expands our vocabulary, increases a desire to read, exercises the brain, improves memory skills, improves comprehension, prevents summer learning loss and it supports



emotional health.

Next week's program will be a "movie night" and the flick being shown will be "A Bug's Life" while future programs include everything from an "Escape Room" to "Love Our Earth; Love Our Bugs" to a dinosaur puppet show to a

visit from the National Eagle Center to an appearance by the Mississippi River Traveling Touch Tank.

"I start planning our summer programs in October each year," Hackman said. "And usually I have a list of programs I want to eventually do if we have

it in our budget. And sometimes with the help of additional funding we are able to provide all the programs on my list. Which is where we are this year! For summer programs I follow the theme that the State Library provides access to. I like our programs to go along with the theme."

This year's theme is Read, Renew, Repeat and features the idea and practice of conservation.

"So now you see why we have programs about bugs, conservation, dinosaurs, reptiles, amphibians, eagles and stingrays," Hackman said. "We have lots to look forward to all summer. The library is a happening place and a place where there is always something new to experience and see!"

And it's why summer is Hackman's favorite time of the year.

"I get to interact with the families and hear all about their interests and why they love to come to the library," she said. "It warms my heart when I hear from families who changed their vacations because they didn't want to miss a certain program. Or they couldn't wait to see what programs were coming this summer. I have patrons asking in January and February what programs are coming for the summer."

"They are always so excited! And because we provide unique and free programs all year long, there is always something for patrons to do at our library! Libraries are changing, there is so much to do and see at your area library."



Photo courtesy of Suzy Turner
Nashua-Plainfield's Caleb Sinnwell poses for a photo after becoming a rare four-time medalist at the National History Day contest.

Nashua-Plainfield's Caleb Sinnwell poses for a photo after becoming a rare four-time medalist at the National History Day contest.

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Racing to Water Over the Dam Days

A couple of competitors take part in the 2023 Water Over the Dam Days Triathlon, a family-friendly event that will return as part of Nashua's big celebration that is now less than two weeks away. Check out next week's edition of the Nashua Reporter for a preview of this year's big celebration.

Drought may be over but area farmers still need timely rains

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good windows of dry weather," Basol said. "You'd get three days, maybe four, but it didn't happen a lot, but our growers did a great job of staying focused and using the few good condition days to get a lot done."

Basol said the "turnaround" in the drought that had plagued Northeast Iowa for much of the past year was "historic."

In the April 1 Crop and Condition report, 67 percent of

topsoil in the Northeast District that includes Chickasaw and Bremer counties and 72 percent of the topsoil in the North Central District that includes Floyd and Butler counties was either "short" or "very short" of moisture. Subsoil moisture contents in that April 1 report were even worse as 82 percent of the Northeast District and 93 percent of the North Central District were "short" or "very short" of moisture.

Fast forward a little more

than two months and Monday's report showed that topsoil moisture that was "short" or "very short" was just 2 percent in the Northeast Iowa District and 0 percent in the North Central district.

Subsoil moisture content in both districts also had seen a dramatic turnaround as just 5 percent of the Northeast Iowa District and 2 percent of the North Central District were on the dry side.

"That's what happens when

it rains all the time," Basol said with a laugh, "but in all seriousness, that made it a very, very challenging planting season."

Still, farmers got it done ... or at least, according to the latest Crop and Condition Report,

were close to getting it done. In the Northeast District, 97 percent of corn and 95 percent of soybeans had been planted while the North Central District had 98 percent of its corn and 93 percent of its soybeans planted.

And for the first time in more than a year, it wasn't even "abnormally dry" in the Nashua area.

Still, Basol said farmers don't want the spigot turned off entirely.

"We're still going to need timely rains," he said. "Drought wise, we're out of the woods, but we could use some smooth sailing here. And that means timely rains because we obviously have a long way to go before we bring that crop home."

Board gets an update on living quarters at EMS station

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for the living quarters from Dungey's Furniture and Flooring.

"We've had a sectional couch that was basically borrowed to us by one of our employees," he said, "and they've just moved into a new house and would like their furniture back."

The EMS director on Tuesday applauded the work done by a host of local contractors on the project and said that "it's nice to be here. We were close before, but now we're right here and as good as our response times, they'll get even better because we're sleeping right next to the trucks."

Chickasaw County EMS went into service on Jan. 1, 2023 and covers the rural areas of the county as well as the cities of Bassett, Fredericksburg, Ionia, Lawler, New Hampton and North Washington.

Two cities — Nashua and Alta Vista — opted not to sign 28E agreements to use the county-owned service; instead, Nashua opted to start its own ambulance service, Nashua Area EMS, while Alta Vista is served by an ambulance based in the Howard County town of Elma, which is located just 4.3 miles from Alta Vista.

For the first nine months, Chickasaw County EMS rented a house on South Walnut Avenue and since last October, it has rented an apartment in a complex located just across the street from Fareway, a little more than three blocks from the station.

In the summer of 2023, the county purchased the building at 204 E. Prospect St. and moved its ambulances from the New Hampton Police Department garages to the new station.

After months of fits and starts, super-

visors earlier this year approved having living quarters constructed in the building, and on Monday they were hoping to "close out" the project with Chuck Stanton, the owner of Stanton Electric who served as the general contractor on the project.

Stanton, however, could not attend Monday's meeting and supervisors are expected to meet with him next week to discuss change orders and get a final invoice on the project.

Knutson, though, said he is hopeful that the project will come in under budget.

Also on Monday, supervisors discussed a policy change with the EMS Department that would allow "second crew" members to remain at their homes when they are bumped up to "main crew" status.

Under Knutson's proposal, those

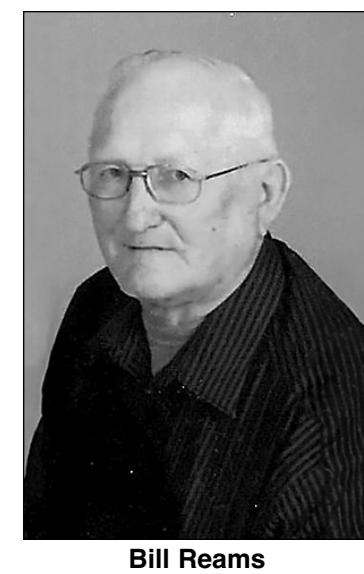
on the backup crew would be paid a reduced rate — minimum wage — if they wanted to stay in their homes as long as they can respond to the station within five minutes.

"Our backup crew is where I see it being utilized the most," Knutson said. "So our first crew goes on a transfer, our second crew gets activated to first crew."

"If they live in town, it's 2 o'clock in the morning [and] they work the next day, I can see them being very OK with not getting up, coming into the station in the middle of the night for what would be a couple, three hour transfer and then having to go back home. I can see them staying at home as long as they are within that five-minute response time for the lower rate, the minimum wage rate."

Supervisors, though, wanted slight changes made to the policy and will take it up at their meeting this coming

Wednesday.



Bill Reams

Reams 80th birthday

The family of Bill Reams is holding a card show in honor of Bill's 80th birthday on Sunday, June 23.

Cards can be mailed to Bill at 89 Monroe St., Nashua, IA 50658.

Charles City hospital breaks ground on its \$40 million expansion

BY BOB STEENSON

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A two-year, \$40 million expansion project got officially underway at the Floyd County Medical Center Tuesday afternoon in a groundbreaking ceremony that gathered Medical Center administrators, care providers, trustees and staff, architecture and construction company officers, community leaders and many additional supporters.

About 150 people attended the outdoor ceremony, sitting under and standing around a large canopy set up on the lawn.

Dawnett Willis, the medical center CEO, recounted details of the project that has been designed and refined since the hospital Board of Trustees gave the official go-ahead more than a year ago.

"The main hospital will see a new entrance with an airy, open and inviting atrium, a large drive-under canopy, welcome desk, registration and waiting areas," she said about the project that's expected to be completed in the spring of 2026.

The biggest change, and one of the reasons for the project, will be a new three-story clinic that will be part of the front of the medical center, which will house the rural health family practice clinic, including obstetrics and urgent care, and a new outpatient specialist clinic, which will be located on the third floor, Willis said.

It will include new speech and occupational therapy departments, updates and expansion to the lab departments, new conference and training rooms, "and of course, increased, closer, convenient parking for our patients," she said.

"This project will provide a new state-of-the-art hospital pharmacy with improvements and enhancements that will accommodate future infusion services and oncology needs," Willis said.

The \$40 million project will be financed by a \$23.5 million U.S. Department of Agriculture loan, \$10.5 million in loans from local banks, \$5 million of the medical center's own equity, and a \$1 million USDA grant for heating, ventilation and air-conditioning equipment (HVAC) for the project.

Foundation tackles chronic absenteeism in Iowa schools

By JACK O'CONNOR

Iowa Capital Dispatch

One in four Iowa students was chronically absent from school during the 2021-22 school year, according to a new report from the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

Officials hope a tiered approach to the problem will encourage schoolwide attendance and remove any barriers to attendance. They also hope additional investments in Iowa schools will counter the growing trend.

Executive Director of Student Services at Dubuque Community School District Shirley Horstman said her district uses a three-tiered approach to improve attendance schoolwide.

The first tier is aimed at all students and encourages schools to lay out a clear school schedule, recognize good attendance and establish the benefits of attendance.

The second tier is for students absent for 5% to 10% of the school year. Schools will reach out to the parents of those students and look for ways to remove any obstacles to regular class attendance.

If it's a transportation issue, the school may help the parents set up a local carpool, teach students how to use city buses or recommend having an older sibling walk them to school, according to Horstman.

The third tier is for chronically absent students who miss more than 10% of school days. For those students, schools will set up a more formal conversation with parents and create an attendance agreement outlining joint efforts to improve attendance.

Common Good Iowa, which helped with the report. "Once you get behind, it's hard to get caught up," she said.

Fischer said chronic absenteeism rates have grown across the nation since the pandemic. Iowa's rate of chronic absenteeism of 26% is better than the national average of 30%, but both rates are still higher than the pre-pandemic national average of 16%.

Fourth-grade students who never missed a day of school scored proficient or above proficient in reading 40% of the time compared to 14% for students who missed ten or more days, according to the report.

It's not just grades that are impacted by constant absen-

ees, Fischer said. A 2012 John Hopkins University study tracking Rhode Island students for seven years found that chronically absent students were more than twice as likely to get suspended or repeat a grade.

The increasing absenteeism rates negatively affect those who regularly attend class as well. Students in high-absence classrooms are more likely to have lower test scores, according to the report.

Horstman said when teachers have multiple chronically absent students, they are forced to repeat old material, create make-up assignments and spend more time trying to catch students up.

With more funding,

Horstman said districts like hers could do at-home visits to discover any barriers to attendance and remind students of the importance of attendance.

"If we could do home visits to [chronically absent] students at the beginning of the year and welcome them and let them know we want them here, that's something that I think could really move the needle,"

Horstman said. "And that's a funding issue and it's also a staffing issue."

Hedy Chang, executive director of Attendance Works, said addressing chronic absenteeism means addressing the causes behind it.

"When kids are not in school it's usually a sign that some-

thing's going on that we need to address. We need to not blame kids and families, but we need to understand why and then when we understand why, we can come up with solutions,"

Chang said.

Students who experience instabilities at home such as divorce, domestic violence or substance abuse are more likely to be chronically absent, according to the report. Students facing such issues are also more likely to repeat a grade.

Chang praised the Iowa Department of Education for making school-absence data available for all Iowa school districts as it allows them to keep better track of student attendance numbers across the state.

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Ionia librarian's just-released book is already an award winner

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debut book "is an enjoyable spooky read for the whole family."

Asked about the book, she said the book centers around Camp Effigy, an unusual camp destination for Dahlia, Serena and Aria who "are ready for a life-changing summer ... but upon arrival, they discover mysteries lurking in the campgrounds, inexplicable encounters and forbidden doors that blurs the line between the living and the dead."

She paused and smiled.

"But I don't want to give the book away," she said, "but I do think it's going to be a fun read, yet it also touches on some dark history in America," Watson said.

"The goal, in my mind, is to end the violence that inspired the hauntings you see in the novel."

Watson grew up in the southeastern Kansas city of Parsons,

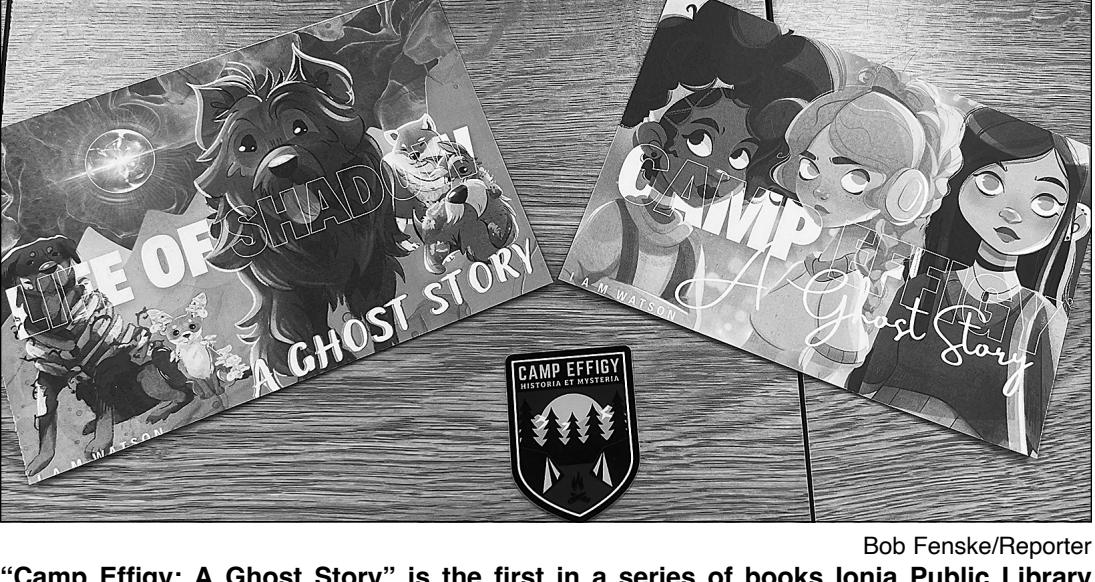
population around 10,000, but she had family in the Ionia area and at least once or twice a year.

She worked as a nurse for a number of years, but when the opportunity at the Ionia Public Library arose, she jumped at the chance to take a different career path.

"I'm keeping my [nursing] certifications current," she said, "but I've really enjoyed this last year and a half here. I've had great mentors, and it's such an honor to work here. And it gave me a chance to really focus on my writing again."

She said her husband Nolan and her daughter Artemis have been "incredibly" supportive during the writing process — one that she says takes a lot of "stickitiveness."

"I've enjoyed it, don't get me wrong," she said, "but it takes work and there are times you just have to shut yourself off from everything else and I don't know if this is the right word



Bob Fenske/Reporter

"Camp Effigy: A Ghost Story" is the first in a series of books Ionia Public Library Director India Watson plans on publishing.

but plow through it."

And even before next Thursday's book release party, which runs from 3 to 6 p.m.

and also includes a Fear Factor challenge that Watson promises is "not gross but just fun," her book has garnered an award,

winning the "The Golden Wizard Book Prize."

"I am eagerly awaiting more from this talented author and

will definitely be keeping a close eye on her future success," said Louise Jane, the CEO of the Golden Wizard Book Prize. "Trust me, you won't want to miss out on what she has in store."

Watson, meanwhile, has big dreams. She not only wants to continue writing books but she also is hoping to one day publish books by other authors.

She said she will remain an advocate for those in need and pointed out that 5 percent of all "Camp Effigy: A Ghost Story" book sales will be donated to the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center to help end violence against women.

"I wanted this book to be fun, but I also want it to make all of us think, too," she said.

"I feel like you can do both as an author, and I think people who read 'Camp Effigy' will agree."

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MINUTES JUNE 3, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, June 3, 2024, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Hackman and Cerwinski present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Cerwinski called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudher, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Terry Johnson INRCOG Director Isaiah Corbin, EMA Director Jeff Bernatz, Sheriff Ryan Shawer, Custodians Dave Gorman and Deb Rosonke, Veterans Services Administrator Keith Elenz.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Hackman to approve agenda for June 3, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve minutes for May 28, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve minutes May 13, 2024 Resolution 05-13-24-22 to be resubmitted to the newspaper due to formatting. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve minutes May 13, 2024 Resolution 05-13-24-22 to be resubmitted to the newspaper due to formatting. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve minutes May 13, 2024 Resolution 05-13-24-22 to be resubmitted to the newspaper due to formatting. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve minutes May 13, 2024 Resolution 05-13-24-22 to be resubmitted to the newspaper due to formatting. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve FY24-25 Employee Salaries/Wages. Roll call: Ayes: Breitbach, Suckow, Hackman, Cerwinski, Nay: Kuhn. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to open Public Hearing for the 2024 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan at 9:12 AM. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Kuhn, Breitbach, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion Carried.

No written comments or public comment

INRCOG Director Isaiah Corbin gave an overview of the 2024 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to close Public Hearing for the 2024 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan at 9:19 AM. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion Carried.

No written comments or public comment

INRCOG Director Isaiah Corbin gave an overview of the 2024 Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to adopt Resolution 06-03-24-25 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA, ADOPTING THE CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2024 UPDATE. WHEREAS, the Board of

Supervisors of Chickasaw County recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within Chickasaw County; and WHEREAS, Chickasaw County Emergency Management Agency has funded the development of a plan update in order to remain eligible for hazard mitigation grant programs; and WHEREAS, the participants representing Chickasaw County served and participated in the formulation of the Plan, hereby known as the Chickasaw County, Iowa Hazard Mitigation Plan 2024 Update, as part of the Chickasaw County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee; and WHEREAS, INRCOG has helped prepare said Plan in accordance with federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and WHEREAS, the Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Chickasaw from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and WHEREAS, a Public Hearing has been held for the purpose of obtaining citizen input on the Plan; and WHEREAS adoption by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in said Plan. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CHICKASAW COUNTY, IOWA, THAT: Section 1: In accordance with local regulations, the Board adopts the Chickasaw County, Iowa Hazard Mitigation Plan 2024 Update. While content related to the Chickasaw County Plan may require revisions to meet the plan approval requirements, changes occurring after adoption will not require Chickasaw County to re-adopt any further iterations of the plan. Subsequent plan updates following the approval period for this plan will require separate adoption resolutions. Passed and adopted this 3rd day of June 2024. /ss/ Scott Cerwinski, Chair, Ayes: Breitbach, Hackman, Kuhn, Suckow, Cerwinski. Motion Carried.

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No action taken out of close sessions.

Discussed RESOLUTION NO. 06-03-24-26 RESOLUTION FOR INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER- funds from the Rural Services Basic Fund to the Emergency Medical Service Fund during the FY 2024-2025 budget year.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Breitbach to approve RESOLUTION NO. 06-03-24-27 RESOLUTION FOR INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER- WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the County Auditor to periodically transfer funds from the General Basic Fund to the General Supplemental Fund during the FY 2024-2025 budget year, and WHEREAS, said transfers must be in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows:

The total maximum transfers from the General Basic Fund to the General Supplemental Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 shall not exceed \$550,000.00. 2. The amount of any transfer shall not exceed available fund balances in the transferring fund. 3. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfers are made and notify the Treasurer of the amounts of said transfers.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ad-

opted this 3rd day of June 2024 the vote

thereon being as follows: /ss/ Scott Cerwinski, Chair, Kuhn, Breitbach, Hackman, Suckow, Cerwinski ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to approve RESOLUTION NO. 06-03-24-27 RESOLUTION FOR INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFER- WHEREAS, it is desired to authorize the County Auditor to periodically transfer funds from the Rural Services Basic Fund to the Secondary Road Fund during the FY 2024-2025 budget year, and WHEREAS, said transfers must be in accordance with Section 331.432, Code of Iowa, and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, Iowa, as follows:

The total maximum transfers from the Rural Services Basic Fund to the Secondary Road Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 shall not exceed \$1,993,099.00. 1. The amount of any transfer shall not exceed available fund balances in the transferring fund. 2. The Auditor is directed to correct her books when said operating transfers are made and notify the Treasurer of the amounts of said transfers.

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Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to adjourn at 10:16 AM. Roll call: All Ayes Motion carried.

Scott Cerwinski, Chairperson

Board of Supervisors

Student Briefs

NICC dean's list

Among the Northeast Iowa Community College spring 2024 dean's list are these local students:

Nashua: Lilah Slessor.

Buena Vista graduate

Celeste Kellogg of Ionia graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in educational studies from Buena Vista University in Spring 2024.

Kellogg was among more than 400 students who received degrees.

Wartburg dean's list

Wartburg College has recognized 466 students who were named the 2024 Winter/May Term dean's list.

Among those recognized were Nashua's Trey Nelson.

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

Upper Iowa dean's list

Upper Iowa University has announced the dean's list for the 2024 Spring Semester. To be honored, a student must have earned a minimum 3.50 grade point average and be enrolled as a full-time student.

Includes on the list was Jennifer Hovey of Nashua.

Iowa State graduates

More than 4,450 graduates received degrees from Iowa State University this spring.

Graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies were held May 9-11 at Hilton Coliseum.

Following are graduates from the area:

Ionia - Bryce Maloy, bachelor of science, computer science.

Nashua - Makenna Nelson, bachelor of science, management.

Iowa State dean's list

More than 10,600 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the spring semester 2024 dean's list.

Students named to the dean's list must earn a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

The following are students were included on the dean's list:

Ionia - James Eugene Davis, 4, mechanical engineering; Greta Mary Glaser, 4, accounting.

Nashua - Abram Marc Bixby, 3, agricultural business; Kylie Mae Dietz, 4, agricultural studies; Aiden Richard Lamborn, 2, mechanical engineering; Autumn Nelson, 2, marketing; Jackson J. Zwanziger, 2, agricultural engineering.

Lawler set to celebrate Irish Fest this weekend

Special to the Reporter

One can almost hear the baseball public address announcer ... "Now batting, Irish Fest in Lawler."

After fun-filled celebrations in Alta Vista, Fredericksburg and New Hampton the past two weekends, it's Lawler's turn to step to the plate as Irish Fest kicks off its three-day run filled with plenty of activities and a bonanza of live music.

Irish Fest kicks off Friday morning with a four-person best-shot golf tournament that will be held at Jackson Heights County Club but really kicks into high gear Friday evening when this year's Irish Fest grand marshals — Mary Burns and Dale Christensen — are introduced during the opening ceremony that begins at 6:30 p.m.

On both Friday and Saturday, the Lawler Historical Society will have displays set up at the Starlite Ballroom.

and two bands — the Crowfoot Rakes and Not Quite Brothers.

A number of activities — including the "Best Legs in a Kilt Contest" the 5K run/walk, the car show and, of course, the "Grand Parade" that starts at 1 p.m. — are set for Saturday, and plenty of Irish music will also be on the stage following the parade, including the Guilty Kilts, Ballyheigue and Blame not the Bard.

Country music singer Cory Farley will be the headline act Saturday evening, and another outdoor movie will be shown at dusk.

The festival will conclude on Sunday with the Lawler Lions Club's annual BBQ Chicken Dinner from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and a bean bag tournament.

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HPV can cause 6 types of cancers

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IOWA Health and Human Services

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Source: National Cancer Institute cancer.gov

Research Farm to hold Spring Field Day next week

The Annual Spring Field Day at the ISU Northeast Research and Demonstration Farm will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19.

The event will include a complimentary meal served at noon, sponsored by Pioneer Hi Bred International.

Madelynn Wuestenberg, agricultural climatology extension specialist, will kick-off the program, by providing her insights on crop weather and trends for the 2024

growing season.

Rick Cruse, professor, and director of the Iowa Water Center will discuss the implications of soil erosion on Iowa's landscape and current practices used to help minimize its impact.

Richard Roth, extension nitrogen education specialist, will provide his insight on nitrogen management in a wet spring.

The field day is free and open to the public.

It starts at the Borlaug Learning Center Headquarters on the ISU Northeast Research and Demonstration Farm.

CCA credits will be available, including 15 SW CEU.

In order for us to get an accurate headcount for the meal, please RSVP us at neira@iastate.edu by Monday, June 17.

For more information about the event, call Terry Basol at 641-426-6801; or Josh Michel at 563-581-7828.

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N-P trapshooters have solid showing at state

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Nashua-Plainfield trapshooting squad put a wrap to the 2024 season on Sunday at the Iowa SCTP (Scholastic Clay Target Program) Championships, held at the Cedar Falls Gun Club and hosted by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

N-P senior Micaiah Groothuis was the Huskies' top shooter with a 188 – which featured a 99 out of 100 morning session.

Husky senior Dawson Demro fired a 186 and had two 25-straight stations where he did not miss a clay target. N-P junior Nic Brase racked up a score of 183 – which was also highlighted by a 25-straight station. Husky senior J.R. O'Neill came up with a 177.

The end-of-the-year meet at Cedar Falls saw 120 separate teams that competed during the state run according to Iowa DNR spokesman Marty Eby. He said there were well over 3,100 athletes that vied for a trophy at state this year.



Photo courtesy of CC/NP trapshooting team

Members of the Charles City/Nashua-Plainfield trapshooting team pose for a photo at the state meet on Sunday, which was held at the Cedar Falls Gun Club.

Huskies' game with N-K pushed back to June 27

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said Stastny-Hall about the rematch with Rockford. "We knew we could beat them, so we came in with a great attitude."

That's exactly what N-P did as it held on for a 6-5 win and kept the tying run on third at bay in the final inning to preserve the victory.

"Callie took her down on a strikeout looking," said Stastny-Hall about the final out. "It was a huge night for Callie and Hannah. I'll give props to them."

Jensen and that game's starter – sophomore Hannah Brahn – combined to toss 15 strikeouts.

"I broke up the pitching. That's what I think I'm going to kind of do to throw the teams off," said Stastny-Hall.

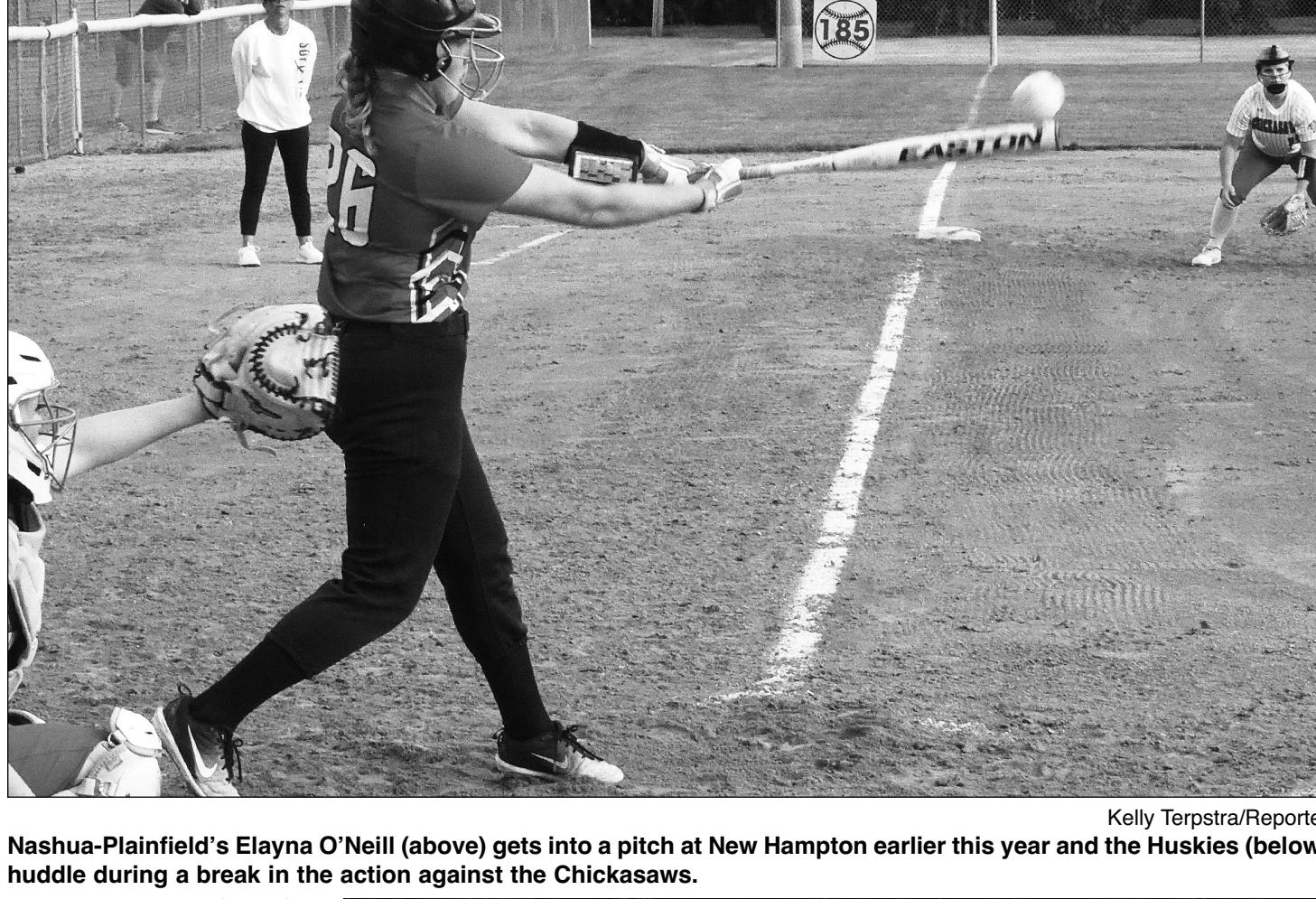
Jensen, an eighth-grader, did not allow a hit, fanned nine batters and walked just one over four innings of work. Brahn struck out six and walked just two in her three innings inside the circle.

Stastny-Hall encapsulated the top of the seventh – which saw N-P get the first two outs of the inning. A dropped third strike – which would have been the final out of the inning – allowed Rockford's first runner to reach base. A stolen base put the runner on second, but that potential game-tying run would get no further than third.

"The seventh inning got a little dicey," said the N-P head coach.

Pratt doubled in the first inning versus Rockford and the inning also saw Hannemann and Wahl each single. O'Neill, eighth-grader Chloe Fundermann, Pratt and Hannemann singled again in the ensuing second inning as well. O'Neill would add a triple in the third, but could not come around to score.

O'Neill, N-P's sophomore first baseman, collected three hits and knocked in two runs. O'Neill currently leads the team in hitting with a .440 clip. Husky sophomore Nevaeh Bloker is second on the squad in batting average (.406) and Hannemann is third with a .257 average for batters with the applicable amount of plate appearances.



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield's Elayna O'Neill (above) gets into a pitch at New Hampton earlier this year and the Huskies (below) huddle during a break in the action against the Chickasaws.



Schmitt 1, Brahn 1. RBI - Wahl 2, Franzen 1, Pratt 1, Kami Hannemann 1, O'Neill 1.

WEST FORK 16, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 0

WF 240 55 - 16

NP 000 00 - 0

Pitching - Brahn 1 1/3 IP, 5 H, 3 R, 2

ER, 2 BB, 6 K, Jensen 4 IP, 0 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 1 BB, 9 K.

2B - Pratt 3B - O'Neill. Runs -

Jensen 2, Pratt 1, Wahl 1, O'Neill 1.

1, Brahn 1. Hits - O'Neill 3, Pratt 2,

Hannemann 2, Chloe Fundermann 2,

Jensen 1, Wahl 1, Nevaeh Bloker 1.

RBI - Hannemann 2, O'Neill 2, Pratt 1, Fundermann 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 6, ROCKFORD 5

ROCK 021 002 0 - 5

NP 320 010 x - 6

Pitching - Brahn 3 IP, 6 H, 3 R, 2

ER, 2 BB, 4 K, Jensen 3 2/3 IP, 10

H, 11 R, 9 ER, 0 BB, 0 K.

Hits - Wahl, Lee.

WEST FORK 16, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 0

WF 240 55 - 16

NP 000 00 - 0

Pitching - Brahn 1 1/3 IP, 5 H, 3 R, 2

ER, 2 BB, 6 K, Jensen 4 IP, 0 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 1 BB, 9 K.

2B - Pratt 3B - O'Neill. Runs -

Jensen 2, Pratt 1, Wahl 1, O'Neill 1.

1, Brahn 1. Hits - O'Neill 3, Pratt 2,

Hannemann 2, Chloe Fundermann 2,

Jensen 1, Wahl 1, Nevaeh Bloker 1.

RBI - Hannemann 2, O'Neill 2, Pratt 1, Fundermann 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 6, WEST FORK 5

WF 210 020 0 - 5

NP 220 100 1 - 6

Pitching - Tucker Franzen 4 1/3 IP, 5 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 3 BB, 4 K, Kolbie Vance 2 2/3 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 BB, 2 K.

2B - Dawson Glaser, Devon Griffin. Runs - Gavin Wayne 2, Wyatt Bouillon 1, Franzen 1, Karson Chyma 1, Hayden Munn 1. Hits - Glaser 3,

Griffin 2, Bouillon 1, Franzen 1, Kalainoff 1, Wayne 1, Chyma 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 11, ROCKFORD 1

NP 102 35 - 11

ROCK 100 00 - 1

Pitching - Glaser 5 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0

ER, 1 BB, 8 K.

2B - Kalainoff, Glaser, Evans. Runs -

Kalainoff 2, Chyma 2, Bouillon 1, Evans 1, Vance 1, Griffin 1, Cleveland 1, Munn 1. Hits - Franzen 2, Kalainoff 1, Glaser 1, Evans 1, Vance 1, Chyma 1.

1, RBI - Franzen 2, Evans 2, Kalainoff 1, Glaser 1, Wayne 1, Griffin 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 10, ROCKFORD 0

ROCK 000 00 - 0

NP 311 05 - 10

Pitching - Glaser 5 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0

ER, 1 BB, 8 K.

2B - Kalainoff, Glaser, Evans. Runs -

Kalainoff 2, Chyma 2, Bouillon 1, Evans 1, Vance 1, Griffin 1, Cleveland 1, Munn 1. Hits - Franzen 2, Kalainoff 1, Glaser 1, Evans 1, Vance 1, Chyma 1.

1, RBI - Franzen 2, Evans 2, Kalainoff 1, Glaser 1, Wayne 1, Griffin 1.

Fifth-ranked Mason City Newman rolls into town tonight

BASEBALL: FROM 8

in a row. So we did that for him," said Glaser.

The conclusion of the West Fork ended with a flurry of big plays – in the field and at the dish.

N-P turned a double play in the top of the seventh inning to stymie a West Fork rally.

Then the Huskies strung together three consecutive hits by senior Tucker Franzen, sophomore Eli Kalainoff and last, but not least – Glaser's game-winner. All the hits were singles, but that's all it took to pull out the "W."

Miller discussed Glaser – who often times plays with an edge and wears his emotions on his sleeve. So far that intense style of play has worked out well for the dominant hurler in Class 1A.

"Dawson's our ace for a reason. He's an absolute beast of a competitor," said Miller. "He'll find a way, to say, pitch angry. It could be finding somebody in the stands that shoots him a dirty look. He's going to find his motivation and attack."

Miller will throw Glaser against fifth-ranked Mason City Newman (17-3, 11-0) tonight

(Friday) at Stan Burkle Field in Nashua – a rematch from a game back in May that saw N-P jump out to a 5-0 lead, only to see the powerful Knights roar back for a 15-5 rout.

Glaser pitched in that game versus Newman the first time around and lasted just short of four innings. He surrendered 12 runs, but only two of those were earned. He struck out four and walked two. N-P made four errors in the game, which contributed to Newman scoring six runs apiece in the second and fourth innings.

"I think we have a good chance with Newman. We need to stay hot defensively and our pitchers are on top right now," said Glaser.

Three out of N-P's four losses this season have come against ranked teams – the aforementioned Newman loss, a 2-1 setback at the hands of sixth-ranked St. Ansgar and a 7-0 shutout up at 10th-rated Kee High last week Wednesday. N-P also lost to Osage (10-4, 5-4) by a score of 6-0.

"I like how we're all staying positive even after big losses," said Glaser. "This Friday we need to not have errors and hit the baseball. We know we can do it. It's all about communica-

tion and positivity."

Miller talked about many of his players – who put in extra work and overtime to stay sharp and get better. That's often the key to success out on the diamond, especially as the hot summer sun starts to beat down on the playing field and temps soar into the 90s.

"I'm proud of him. He puts in a lot of work," said Miller about Glaser. "He's a baseball guy through and through. We got a lot of guys like that, that just love it. When you just love something, you want to work hard for it. It makes my job a lot easier."

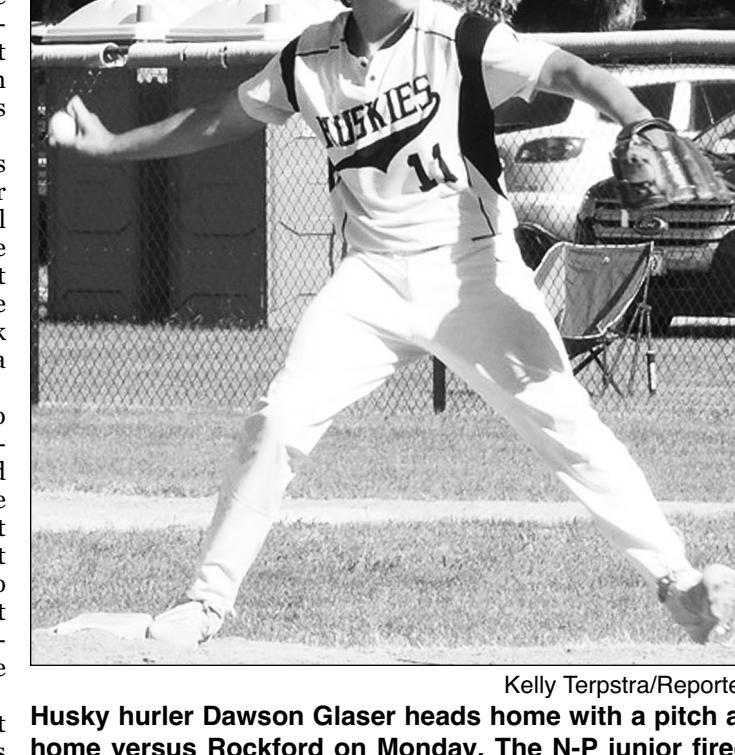
N-P's game at Don Bosco last week Thursday was cancelled because the Dons had to play a makeup conference game. The Huskies game at Northwood-Kensett this past Wednesday was postponed to June 27 because of rain that made field conditions not playable. N-P played at Janesville on Thursday.

Monday marked the first time that conference teams faced each other the second time around in the 16-game league schedule.

The second half of the sea-

son is where we need to start separating ourselves to win those games," said Miller.

Glaser leads the team in hitting with a .457 average and Franzen is second on the team with a .406 batting average. Kalainoff is tops on the team with 16 runs scored and 13 RBI. Kalainoff and Franzen



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Huskies' Dawson Glaser heads home with a pitch at home versus Rockford on Monday. The N-P junior fired his first career no-hitter in the 10-0 shutout.

are tied for the team lead in doubles (5).

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 6, WEST FORK 5

WF 210 020 0 - 5

NP 220 100 1 - 6

Pitching - Tucker Franzen 4 1/3 IP, 5 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 3 BB, 4 K, Kolbie Vance 2 2/3 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 0 ER, 3 BB, 2 K.

2B - Dawson Glaser, Devon Griffin. Runs - Gavin Wayne 2, Wyatt Bouillon 1, Franzen 1, Karson Chyma 1, Hayden Munn 1. Hits - Glaser 3,

Griffin 2, Bouillon 1, Franzen 1, Kalainoff 1, Wayne 1, Chyma 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 11, ROCKFORD 1

NP 102 35 - 11

ROCK 100 00 - 1

Pitching - Glaser 5 IP, 3 H, 1 R, 1

ER, 3 BB, 11 K, Kalainoff 1 IP, 0 H, 0

ER, 1 BB, 3 K.

2B - Bouillon, Franzen, Kalainoff, Evans. Runs - Kalainoff 2, Matthew Malven 2, Griffin 2, Munn 2, Cam Cleveland 1, Bouillon 1, Titus Evans 1. Hits - Bouillon 1, Franzen 1, Kalainoff 1, Glaser 1, Evans 1, RBI - Kalainoff 2, Evans 2, Chyma 1, Franzen 1, Glaser 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 10, ROCKFORD 0

ROCK 000 00 - 0

NP 311 05 - 10

Pitching - Glaser 5 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 0

ER, 1 BB, 8 K.

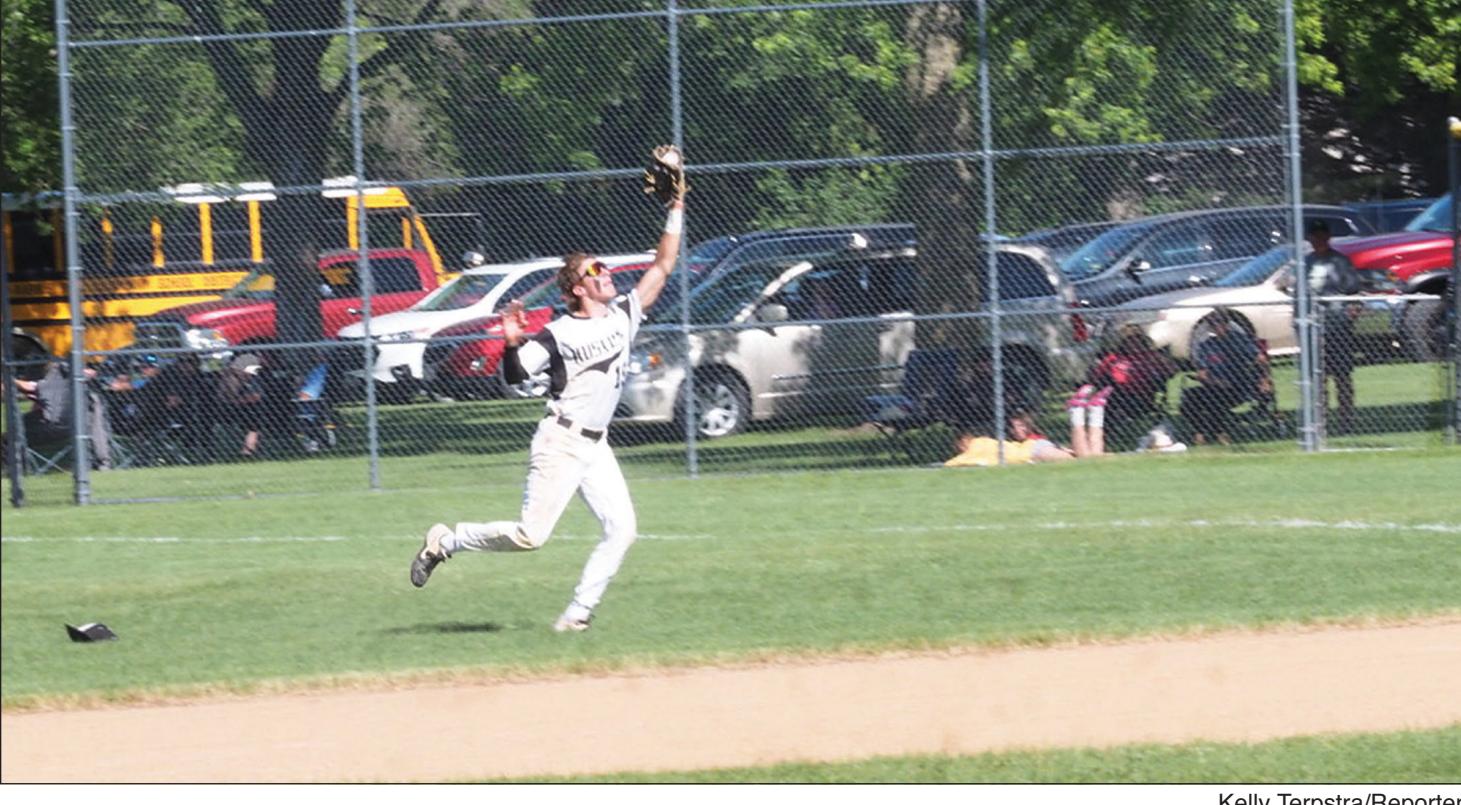
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1, RBI - Franzen 2, Evans 2, Kalainoff 1, Glaser 1, Wayne 1, Griffin 1.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 11, ROCKFORD 1

NP 102 35 - 11



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield's Titus Evans makes a running grab on a fly ball in shallow right field during the Huskies' win over Rockford Monday night.

Huskies finding their groove

Dramatic win over West Fork kicks off three-game winning streak for N-P

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield head baseball coach Levi Miller couldn't help but repeat himself on Monday night after the completion of his baseball team's dominant effort against Rockford.

His remarks were more or less a reaffirmation about the discipline his players maintain to improve and stay true to a program that keeps striving to reach lofty heights and break new barriers.

Miller was talking about his junior ace Dawson Glaser's effort on the hill in an evening in which the Huskies started the night's festivities with the conclusion of a suspended game from clear back on May 20 that was halted because of severe weather.

Glaser was feeling alright on the mound in the second game as he tossed his first career no-hitter – albeit over five innings of play as the Huskies rolled to a 10-0 win.

Miller commended his star player – who also helped N-P walk off a win versus West Fork last Friday night in the bottom of the seventh with a single to turn back the Warhawks by a score of 6-5.

"That's his first no-no. He deserves it. He deserves it," said Miller about Glaser's five innings of work that saw him fan eight batters and walk just one Warrior.

N-P, now 7-4 and 6-3 in the TIC East, resumed the Rockford game from back in May in the bottom of the fifth inning with the bases loaded and the Huskies leading 6-1.

N-P senior right fielder Titus Evans scored the game's final two runs of the suspended game with a double over Rockford's center fielder, who was playing shallow and had to run back toward the fence to retrieve the ball. The Huskies plated five runs in that fifth frame and took less than 30 minutes to finish off what they started back in May.

Evans also hit the game-winner in the nightcap as his gopher between third and short rocketed out to left field and plated two runs to walk that game off as well.

"I knew coming up to the plate that we had eight runs and we're looking to close this thing out in five," said Evans. "The



The Huskies' Eli Kalainoff (above) easily steals third base while N-P first baseman Gavin Wayne (below) makes the stretch to record an out in Monday's game at Rockford.



pitcher was really wonky, but I just went up there, did my same routine – looking for balls, just reacting and hitting them."

Evans, who was one of coach Al Frost's better wrestlers over the course of the last four seasons, talked about his final affiliation with Husky athletics this summer on the baseball squad.

Glaser talked about Evans' theatrics to seal the deal in the second game.

"After Eli (Kalainoff) getting

plays," said Evans. "That's really what we need – everybody flying around doing their job and everybody backing up the pitcher that's on the mound."

N-P had five hits in the suspended Rockford game – four of them doubles.

Glaser talked about Evans' theatrics to seal the deal in the second game.

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Nashua-Plainfield's Paige Franzen (above) collects a base hit while the Huskies' Callie Jensen (below) delivers a pitch to the plate during a game against New Hampton last week.

N-P downs Rockford in TIC East rematch

N-P rally at South Winn falls short

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Even in loss, the Nashua-Plainfield softball exemplified last week Thursday at Calmar how far they've come – at least for one game.

In a season last year when the Huskies and head coach Jessica Stastny-Hall lost at home to South Winneshiek by an embarrassing tally of 27-0 – N-P seems to be turning the tide to a certain degree this summer.

Need proof?

One needs to only look at this year's installment of the N-P vs. South Winn non-conference battle to understand that the Huskies are hungry and ready to make a statement this year after going 2-26 a year ago and 1-15 in the Top of Iowa East.

The Huskies have already achieved two wins this summer through 14 games – which is about halfway through their season.

N-P (2-12, 2-6) trailed South Winneshiek by a score of 8-1 after two innings of play and then the top of the third inning rolled around and the Huskies made some noise. N-P scored six runs in that frame to pull within 8-7. While the Huskies didn't plate any more runs the rest of the game, the loss was a far cry from when N-P took one

The following night on Friday, West Fork (8-4, 4-1) topped N-P, 16-0, in five innings. But that was a small blip on the radar screen that was quickly forgotten as the rematch with Rockford rolled around on Monday night at home.

Rockford had defeated N-P, 11-3, in the season opener last month, so the Huskies had plenty of motivation to pull out a win.

"It was a game we were looking forward to – I will say that,"

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