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EPA lifts order against Nashua

City Council also discusses its options to fill seat held by man appointed mayor

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) officially terminated an administrative order that possibly could have levied sanctions against Nashua's Wastewater Plant.

That was the good news Chad McCleary, wastewater/water operator with ION Solutions, told the

Nashua City Council about the water cleanliness levels at the plant last week Thursday at a regular meeting.

Nashua discontinued and did not extend a contract to its previous contractor – PeopleService Inc. – at the end of the fiscal year on June 30. The city retained the services of Ion Environmental Solutions – a Muscatine-based water/wastewater operator – last April to help run its

water/wastewater department.

"So obviously, as everyone knows, the EPA terminated that administrative order. We don't have to do anything extra with reports and anything like that. The samples have been coming back just fine, so everything's pretty good on that front," said McCleary.

Nashua is withholding final payment to PeopleService – a water and

wastewater company based out of Omaha – because of damage done to the plant.

Jake Johnson was officially sworn in as a re-elected member of the City Council. Dan Zwanziger, who also won his bid to sit on the Council at last month's

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Valuations are in, and they present a challenge for county supervisors

Chickasaw won't be affected by new state law, but board faces tough budget season

BY BOB FENSKE
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When it comes to the 2024-25 Chickasaw County budget, maybe the best way to describe what transpired in a week is to use a little weather terminology.

If it was densely foggy for the Board of Supervisors on Dec. 4, the fog lifted a bit by Monday's meeting but it still remained downright gloomy.

During the week between meetings, board members received the valuations that will help create the budget and set the tax levy for the fiscal year that begins on July 1.

The good news is that the new valuations mean the county won't have to worry about HF 718, a new state law that could create some challenges for local government entities when it comes to their yearly budgets.

The bad news, though, is the reason the county won't have to deal with HF 718 issues is that the county's valuations barely moved. This year's valuations were \$951,098,388, and next year, those valuations will increase by a little more than \$12 million. And while \$12 million may seem like a lot of money, it represents just a 1.3 percent increase.

Hackman said that means the county, which already maxes out its General Basic at \$3.50 per \$1,000 levy, will get an additional \$42,373 in revenue for that fund next year.

"That, I don't think, wouldn't even cover the cost of the raises that the Comp Board recommended," Hackman said. "We're one of the few [counties] that didn't see our valuations increase by 3 percent, but when you look at it, it's still going to be really tight."

Under HF 718, if a county's valuations increase by 3 percent and it has a "max levy" in place, that levy must decrease by 2 percent. The idea behind the law, proponents say, is to keep local government entities from relying on increases in valuations from year to year to increase government spending.

Supervisors last month went on record that

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Three top bank officials have a little fun posing for their donation picture with Nashua-Plainfield Activities Director Suzy Turner and Levi Miller (back) as Lincoln Savings Bank Regional Leader Cathy Haut stands on "first base," First Bank President Steve Willemssen occupies "second base" and First State Bank President Glenn McMichael is on the bag at "third base."

BANKS COME UP BIG FOR BALLPARK

THREE BANKS DONATE \$10,000 APIECE FOR NEW BASEBALL/SOFTBALL COMPLEX THAT WILL BE LOCATED IN PLAINFIELD

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

As far as community engagement projects are concerned – this is a big one for the communities of Nashua and Plainfield.

In what will help shape and facilitate growth for decades – the Nashua-Plainfield School District's proposed sports complex is moving in

the right direction.

It crossed a big hurdle when a bid was accepted for \$3.279 million from Peters Construction in September that saw the Waterloo company break ground this past fall.

While N-P won't be able to enjoy its new sports complex until 2025 – N-P Superintendent Todd Liechty is excited about the path the project is taking.

"We're on the go-train," said Liechty.

That means fundraising has begun to help pay for the project – which all but \$150,000 will be paid for by bonds.

Last March voters overwhelmingly approved selling general-obligation bonds to help pay for the new baseball and softball complex that

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Supervisors say no to paramedic, yes to blight assessments

BY BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

The first sign of trouble when it came to hiring a new part-time paramedic during Monday's Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors meeting was when the board's chairman was the one that

had to second the motion to approve the hiring.

In the end, supervisors voted 3-2 to not approve hiring Samantha Streeter for the position, marking the first time board members had not followed through on a hiring recommendation made by Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson since the service began operation

on Jan. 1.

During a meeting in late November, some supervisors wondered if the continued hiring of part-time employees was affecting the county's workman's compensation rate.

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Making a joyous noise

Eden Lamborn (left, above) and Abigail Schmitt sing in the Nashua-Plainfield choir on

Thursday night while sixth-grader Reign Bond (right) plays the alto saxophone.

See more photos in next week's edition of the Reporter.



Supervisors vote to have three buildings assessed for blight

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On Monday, Board Chairman Matt Kuhn said that Knutson had reached out to the county's insurance provider and had been told that the workman's compensation rates are "based on wage, not how many employees we have."

But after Steve Breitbach made the motion to hire Streeter, Kuhn asked several times for a second and when one wasn't forthcoming, he finally provided it.

"I understand if we're not hiring paramedics or want paramedics," Kuhn said, "all that we're doing is limiting the possible building potential [of the service]," Kuhn said. "I think we're cutting ourselves off at the legs."

Still, the remaining three supervisors — Jake Hackman, Scott Cerwinski and Travis Suckow — weren't swayed.

Suckow asked if the hiring of Streeter would cut down on Chickasaw County EMS overtime, but Kuhn said that was a question for Knutson, who was not at Monday's meeting. And although Breitbach pointed out that hiring another paramedic might cut down on the "extra shifts" Knutson works as a paramedic, Hackman, Cerwinski and Suckow all voted against the motion.

Board members found more common ground in hiring a firm to conduct a blight assessment on four county-owned buildings — the Sheriff's Office, the courthouse, a portion of a Secondary Roads building and the old landfill building that is located south of the Twin Ponds Nature Center.

Salvation Army unit is still seeking bell ringers

The Chickasaw County unit of the Salvation Army is in full swing with its annual Red Kettle campaign, and bell ringers are needed for the fundraising drive that runs from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Christmas Eve.

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Nashua-Plainfield Superintendent Todd Liechty accepts \$10,000 checks from (clockwise) First State Bank President Glenn McMichael, Lincoln Savings Bank Regional Leader Cathy Haut and First Bank President Steve Willemsen.



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Nashua-Plainfield Superintendent Todd Liechty accepts \$10,000 checks from (clockwise) First State Bank President Glenn McMichael, Lincoln Savings Bank Regional Leader Cathy Haut and First Bank President Steve Willemsen.

Superintendent hopes donations bring diamond complex 'home'

DIAMONDS : FROM 1

will be erected in Plainfield.

To help pay off the bond, a one-cent statewide sales tax will be used known as SAVE, which all school districts share in the state. That means property taxes won't be raised in order to pay off the bond.

The school district received some substantial assistance in reaching its ultimate goal as three area banks donated a combined \$30,000 — \$10,000 from each institution — to help with construction costs.

Those banks that stepped forward to be a part of the project were FSB Bank, First Bank and Lincoln Savings Bank.

Liechty set up a "ball diamond" of sorts in the N-P Gym in Nashua on Monday with the banks standing on each "base" with the oversized checks presented.

"They brought checks today. We're going to put a bank on first, a bank on second and a bank on third and a picture of the project at home plate and say help us bring the project home," said Liechty.

Now Liechty and the school district really want to get the ball rolling. That means energizing the public in order for supporters — many of them that will surely utilize and reap the benefits of the sports complex — to lend helping hands.

That means donate.

"We've raised in the vicinity of \$160,000," said Liechty. "Of course, we're looking for \$500,000."

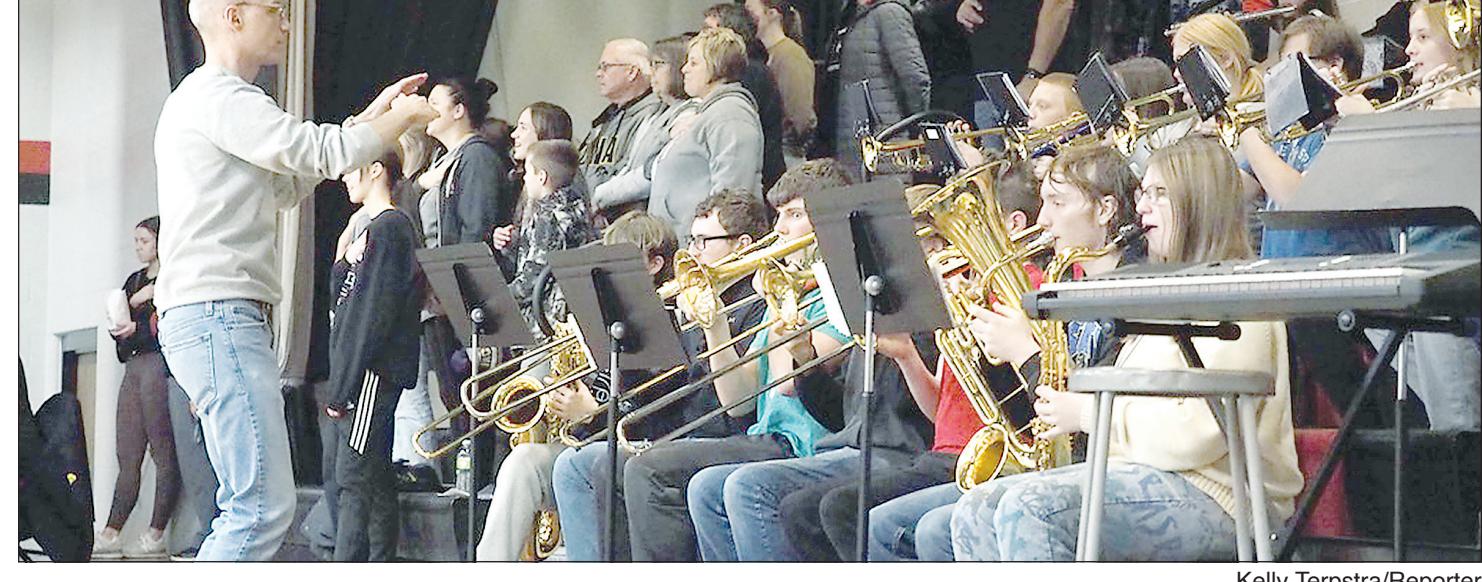
Liechty is now hoping the public will be committed to taking the next step to help push the project through and reach its final stage of completion.

"The biggest thing right now is the project's a go. We've got a bid. We've approved the contract," said Liechty.

to be home to the Plainfield Pirates' football team.

Nashua-Plainfield currently plays its home softball games in Plainfield while the baseball team plays its home contests in Nashua on a diamond that is located on land owned by the Big 4 Fair Board.

The baseball diamond does not have lights, which means not only is Nashua-Plainfield the lone Top of Iowa Conference East Division school that must play baseball in the late afternoon and early evening but it is also the only division school that plays its two summer sports in different communities.



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Our pep band is better than yours!

Band Director Scott Stroud directs the Nashua-Plainfield High School Pep Band as it plays the National Anthem before the start of a varsity basketball doubleheader earlier this month.



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Robin Lynn Weiss, 59



Robin Weiss

Robin Lynn Weiss, age 59 of Nashua, passed away peacefully Friday, Dec. 8, 2023, at his home surrounded by family.

Funeral service was held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 14, 2023, at Clover Ridge Event Center (2526 Hwy 218, Charles City, IA 50616) with the Rev. Darin Cerwinski presiding.

Interment will be held at a later date at Oak Hill Cemetery in Nashua. Steve Sudol, Tim Fisher, Sam Hilt, Mark Brunner, Harold Lantow, Jamie Downing, Phil Zwanziger and Jim Klunder will be serving as pallbearers. Nashua Firefighters and Barn Builders are serving as honorary pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023, at Clover Ridge Event Center. Robin wanted his celebration of his life to be casual. He did not want anyone dressing up fancy for him.

Those attending were asked to please dress accordingly for the funeral service as was held outdoors.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.hugebackfuneralhome.com.

Robin Lynn Weiss was born Oct. 25, 1964, in Charles City, to Roland and Darlene (Flatness) Weiss.

Robin spent his entire life in Nashua, leaving only for college and to take a job for a few years in Cedar Rapids.

Robin attended Nashua Elementary and Nashua High School, graduating with the Class of 1983.

While in school, nothing was more important to Robin than sports, especially football. Robin was involved in baseball, football and wrestling. His senior year in high school, Robin and his buddies were



locker for 15 years and Robin was proud to produce great products. The cleanliness of the locker was top priority for Robin too. He used to say you could eat off the floor in his slaughter room.

He was also a member of the Nashua and Clarksville Fire Department for 16 years.

Robin worked hard his entire life. He could never sit still for long. He was always on the go. Robin was a very organized person. Everything in his house and garage had a place. Everything around Robin was always neat and tidy.

In June 2020 Robin was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiform — terminal brain cancer. Not once did Robin complain. He never asked "why." He lived life to the absolute fullest. For 3 1/2 years, Robin lived with brain cancer and he always had a smile on his face. Robin had some of the best one liners. He made his family laugh every day.

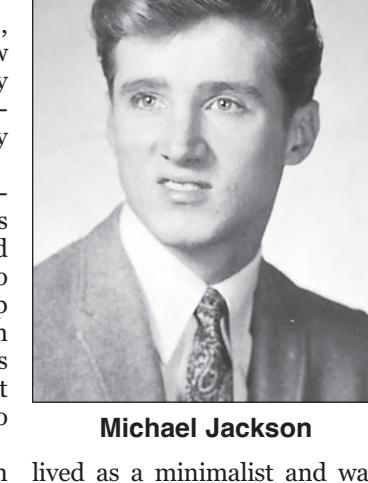
Life with Robin was always fun. Robin loved Jagermeister and black licorice. If his kids were home on the weekend you would often hear Robin say, "line 'em up." That was his way of getting someone to make everyone a Jager bomb.

Robin passed away peacefully at home on Friday, Dec. 8.

Robin is survived by his wife, Shelly of Nashua; a son, Dustin of Clinton, daughters, Megan of Des Moines and Dallas of Denver; his mother, Darlene of Nashua; sisters, Deb (Dale) Schwickerath of Alta Vista, Sandy (Clark) Sisson of Omaha, Nebraska, and Jamee (Phil) Franzen of Nashua; brother Carl Weiss, of Clinton; plus many nieces and nephews.

Robin was preceded in death by his dad, Roland; his niece, Chrystie; his paternal and maternal grandparents; and his in-laws, Les and Rena Kalvig.

Michael Jackson, 74



Michael Jackson

Michael Jackson, age 74, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023.

He was born on Dec. 13, 1948, in Estherville, but grew up in New Hampton, and many of his best and most vivid memories were from those early years.

As kids we played Annie-I-Over and entertained ourselves on the football practice field across the street. He liked to hang out at the Sweet Shop and drive around in his Austin Healey Sprite. To us siblings he was James Dean. He taught us how to dance rock & roll to "Who Put the Bomp."

Mike was diagnosed with mental health issues in his late teens and the disease continued to have an impact throughout his life. He refused to let it define who he was.

Michael traveled from coast to coast and lived in Colorado Springs much of his life. He

lived as a minimalist and was more than happy to give the little he had away.

He lived on the street for many years of his life but his family was always his touchstone. Thanks to the kindness and compassion of many individuals, Michael had housing

stability the later years of his life.

Michael broadened our capacity to love and allowed us to view the world through a broader lens.

Michael was proceeded in death by his parents, Walter and Fern Jackson, and brother, Steven.

He is survived by his son, Beaux Jackson of Austin, Texas; his daughter, Mishca Eveland of Nashua; his grandchildren, Phoenix, Garret, Elijah, and Ashton; his great-grandson, Aiden; his brother, Terry Jackson and wife Patti; sister, Lou Ann Toland and husband David; sister-in-law, Cathy Jackson; and his former wife, Kathie Jackson, who was an enduring source of love and support throughout his life.

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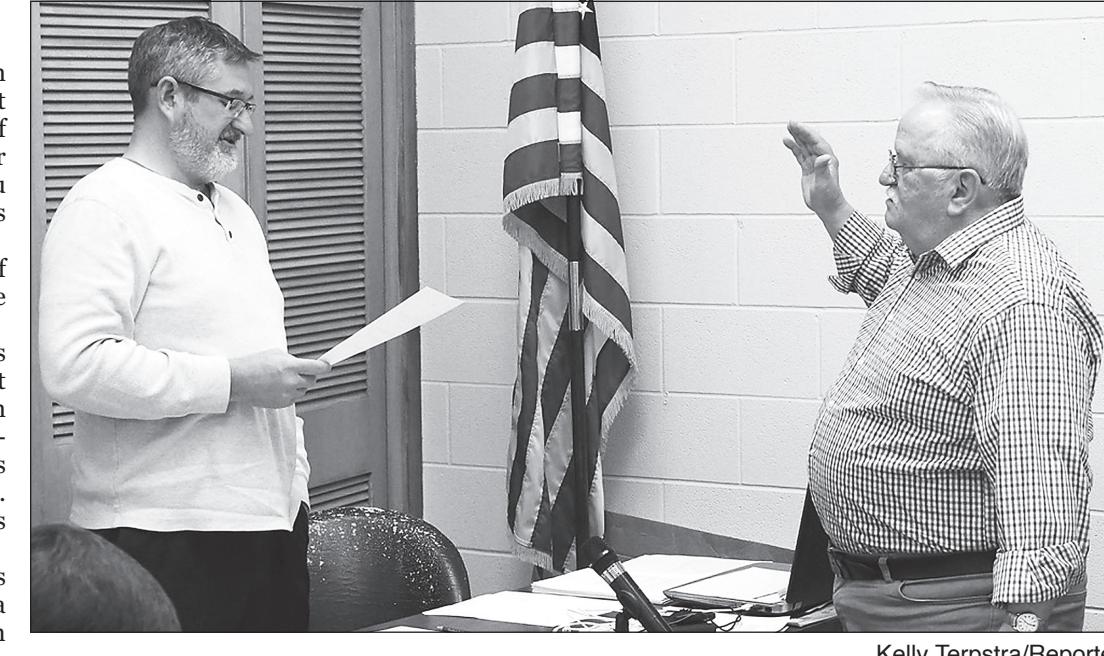
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The Sheriff Department then



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Nashua Mayor Hal Kelleher takes the oath of office from City Clerk John Ott after he was appointed to the post by his fellow council members at a meeting last week.

Residents reminded about rules to follow when it snows

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election, was also sworn in.

Now the Council must fill Hal Kelleher's seat on the Council as he is now mayor. The Council can appoint or hold a special election to bring the number of Council members back up to five. The Council will have 60 days to make that decision to fill the final Council seat.

When a mayor is appointed, there can be a petition for a special election — but that needs to happen within 14 days of the appointment.

There are stipulations for that petition. The number of signatures of eligible electors of a city for a valid petition shall be determined as follows: in a city of less than 10,000 people or less, at least 200 hundred signatures or at least the number of signatures equal to 15 percent of the voters who voted for candidates for the office at the preceding regular election at which the office was on the ballot, whichever number is fewer.

Nashua City Attorney David Skilton also reviewed information from a speed study conducted by Blue Line Solutions that could have potentially placed speed cameras in Nashua.

Skilton said that the study found that Nashua doesn't have a lot of speeders out on its streets. That was the good news for the city, which initiated the study. The bad news for the city was that because of those low rates of speeding in town and low traffic count — it wouldn't be profitable for the company to

put in speeding cameras.

Skilton stated the study could be conducted at a different time or the city could get another opinion from a different company. The Council decided to table the matter.

Chickasaw County Sheriff Ryan Shawver addressed the Council with his monthly report and stated his department spent 193.5 hours patrolling the city of Nashua in November.

Shawver and the city also discussed Nashua's snow parking ordinance.

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Voting deadline is this coming Monday for the Big 4 Chamber of Commerce planter contest

There's still time for area residents to cast their votes for their favorite holiday-themed planter in downtown Nashua. As part of a promotion and contest put on by the Big 4 Chamber of Commerce, businesses, organizations and residents "adopted" Main Street planters and decorated them with a variety of holiday decorations.

Voting in the contest continues through Monday, and the winner will be announced during Tuesday's basketball games between Nashua-Plainfield and Tripoli.

That's the same night that the Big 4 Chamber will also draw the winners of its annual Holiday Promotion campaign.

Residents can cast their votes for their favorite planter by going online to big4chamber.org/nashuaplanters.

Deadline is Jan. 10 to sign up for ISU Extension Cattle in the Green Series

Learn to financially analyze your livestock/farm operation in a different way to find more profit, eliminate money pits and lower your stress level. Sound too good to be true? Iowa State University Extension Beef specialist, Denise Schwab, would beg to differ.

"The Cattle in the Green series was developed to meet the needs of beef operations regardless of size," Schwab said. "This program was designed to look at financial and business management from a different perspective. Most beef producers view financial records as a necessity for taxes, but Cattle in the Green uses that basic data to analyze the operation to look for and use simple management changes for better results."

The five sessions are set for Jan. 17, 24 and 31 and Feb. 7 and 21. All will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 116 E. Military Rd, Postville. Because of the evening time, a light meal will be served.

The fee for the five-part series is \$50 for the first person from an operation and \$20 for each additional member. Schwab said couples and business partners are encouraged to attend because gaining multiple perspectives on the cattle operation is always more powerful when planning and making decisions. A commitment to attend all five sessions is requested because each class builds upon the information and discussion of the previous session.

Registration is limited to 24 participants so be sure to register by the Jan. 10 deadline by calling the Fayette County Extension Office at (563)425-3331 or emailing dkahler@iastate.edu.

Last call registration for commercial applicators continuing ed set for Friday

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Chickasaw County office will require all applicators that still need a Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators to call for a reshow date as soon as possible.

Reshows will not be offered after Friday, Dec. 15 for this calendar year.

To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC's, contact Lynn Bruess at the ISU Extension and Outreach Chickasaw County office at 641-394-2174.

Additional information and registration forms for all courses offered through PSEP can be accessed at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/psep/>.

Nashua-Plainfield students to get an early start on their Christmas break

Nashua-Plainfield Community Schools will begin its annual Christmas break with an "early-out" next Friday as students will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m.

Students won't return to school until Thursday, Jan. 4, although teachers will report back to work a day earlier for a professional development day.

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Supervisors head into budget with unknowns

COUNTY BUDGET: FROM 1

they did not want a pay increase in the new fiscal year, and although a final decision hasn't been made, several supervisors have bandied about the idea of having a pay freeze for county employees who are not represented by the two unions in the county.

But during last week's Compensation Board, members voted 5-2 to recommend 9 percent pay increases for the attorney, auditor, recorder, sheriff and treasurer and 3.2 percent pay increases for the members of the Board of Supervisors.

Those voting for the recommendation say those pay raises are needed for a variety of reasons — including making the jobs attractive enough to keep what Comp Board member Mike Kennedy said were "good people here in the courthouse" to keeping elected officials' pay in line with those in other counties.

Compensation Board member Doreen Cook, who throughout the meeting used

data she had accumulated, said it was her opinion that the pay for Chickasaw County's elected officials was in line with other counties. She was joined in the ranks of dissenting votes by Randy Taylor, who said that the sheriff needed a 10.9 percent raise so that the county would be following state law.

On Monday, board members did not act on the Compensation Board's recommendation. Instead, they focused on the valuations report.

Hackman pointed out that while there was room to grow revenue collected from rural property owners, "there's also some pretty strict guidelines on how we can use that money."

Currently, rural property owners pay a levy rate of \$3.31 per \$1,000 valuation, and the limit counties can collect for the RSB fund is \$3.95 per \$1,000 valuation.

Hackman also pointed out that there is "the elephant in the room," the negotiations of contracts with unions that repre-

sented the sheriff's deputies and Secondary Roads workers.

"That's an important answer we don't have right now," he said.

Board members also seemed to agree that any General Basic expenditures that can be moved to General Services have to be considered.

"I think we have to look at what can go from GB to GS to help this budget out," Supervisor Steve Breitbach said.

Pressed by County Attorney David Laudner on giving department heads a "unifying message" during a meeting that was held on Wednesday, after this edition of the Tribune went to press, supervisors never really expressed one.

But board members also said they wanted to still hold the meeting so that they could express their concerns and also hear from department heads about what worries they have as they begin preparing the budgets they will present to the board early in 2024.

Grants available for Chickasaw County non-profit organizations

Grant applications can now be submitted to the Chickasaw County Community Foundation (CCCF) for the 2024 grant cycle, with a submission deadline on Monday, Jan. 15, 2024, at 5 p.m.

Grants are awarded to projects within the program areas of arts and culture, community betterment, education and

youth development, environment and animal welfare, and health and human services.

The 2024 online grant application can be found on the CCCF's website at chickasaw-

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

December 4, 2023

The Board convened on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. with members Breitbach, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski, and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the 2nd floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Kuhn called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of the media, Custodian Dave Gorman, I & S Group, Inc., Cole Kruizinga and Landan Cleary, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Terry Johnson.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-82 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcel 2023-48 in the NE1/4 OF THE NE1/4 of section 36, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, ON THE 4TH DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcel 2023-48 in the NE1/4 of section 36, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, Parcel 2023-48 in the NE1/4 of section 36, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-83 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcel 2023-48 in the NE1/4 OF THE NE1/4 of section 36, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, ON THE 4TH DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcel 2023-48 in the NE1/4 of section 36, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 14 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the agenda for December 4, 2023 with the deletion of the 9:30 AM. Engineer Roman Lensing agenda item. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve the meeting minutes from November 27, 2023 with changes. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-84 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-85 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-86 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-87 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-88 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-89 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-90 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-91 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-92 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-93 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-94 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-95 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION PLAT OF: Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa WHEREAS, on the 4th DAY OF December, 2023 as a regular meeting by the Board of Supervisors, Chickasaw County, Iowa a minor subdivision plat of Parcels 2023-44, 2023-45 and 2023-46 in the W1/2 OF section 4, all in Township 96 NORTH, Range 11 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa has been completed, HEREBY RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors that pursuant to Iowa Code section 479.46, the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors hereby declares that installation of a pipeline by Homeland Energy Solutions LLC has been completed.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Cerwinski to approve RESOLUTION 12-04-23-96 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINOR SUBDIVISION

Huskies, NH/TV give fans their money's worth

DUALS: FROM 8

have a solid program. They've got numbers. My hat's off to New Hampton. That dual could have went either way."

The match against North Fayette Valley – which rounded out the triangular – seemed to be almost an afterthought as practically everyone in attendance that filled the gym was anticipating the showdown between the Huskies and Chickasaws.

Don't tell that to Frost.

"The fact is, probably starting out in this dual, we wrestled probably 100 times more better than we did in the previous dual. We were sluggish and we didn't come out on fire," said Frost about the NFTV dual. "We didn't show any emotion. We were just rolling around – nothing was happening."

N-P improved to 7-1 overall in duals – which included a win over the TigerHawks by a score of 49-27.

What a difference about an hour of time makes.

"They came out and looked like a whole different team," said Frost about his team's effort against the Chickasaws.

Huskies senior Devon Griffin (8-5) got the ball rolling with an electric pin over NH/TV's Tate Schwickerath at 144 pounds. The match was tight throughout before Griffin put the Chickasaw junior on his back and sealed the deal with 20 seconds left in the match.

Griffin's pin came at the 5:40 mark of the third period and that energy carried over into the next two matches for N-P.

"He's just gotta believe in himself," said Frost about Griffin. "He did a great job for us and got a pin."

N-P sophomore Devon Blanchard (12-4) also came up big in the third period with a takedown of Chickasaw senior Ethan Praska at 150 pounds. That enabled the Husky to come away with slim, yet action-packed 6-4 decision.

Aiden Gelin (157), a junior, outworked NH/TV senior Burke Busta for a 9-3 win and N-P was up, 12-0.

"The guys came out fired up and they did what they had to do – keep matches close," said Frost.

Karson Kolbet (15-5) – a state qualifier for NH/TV last year at 160 pounds – pinned Dylan Blanchard in 2:28 at 165 pounds.

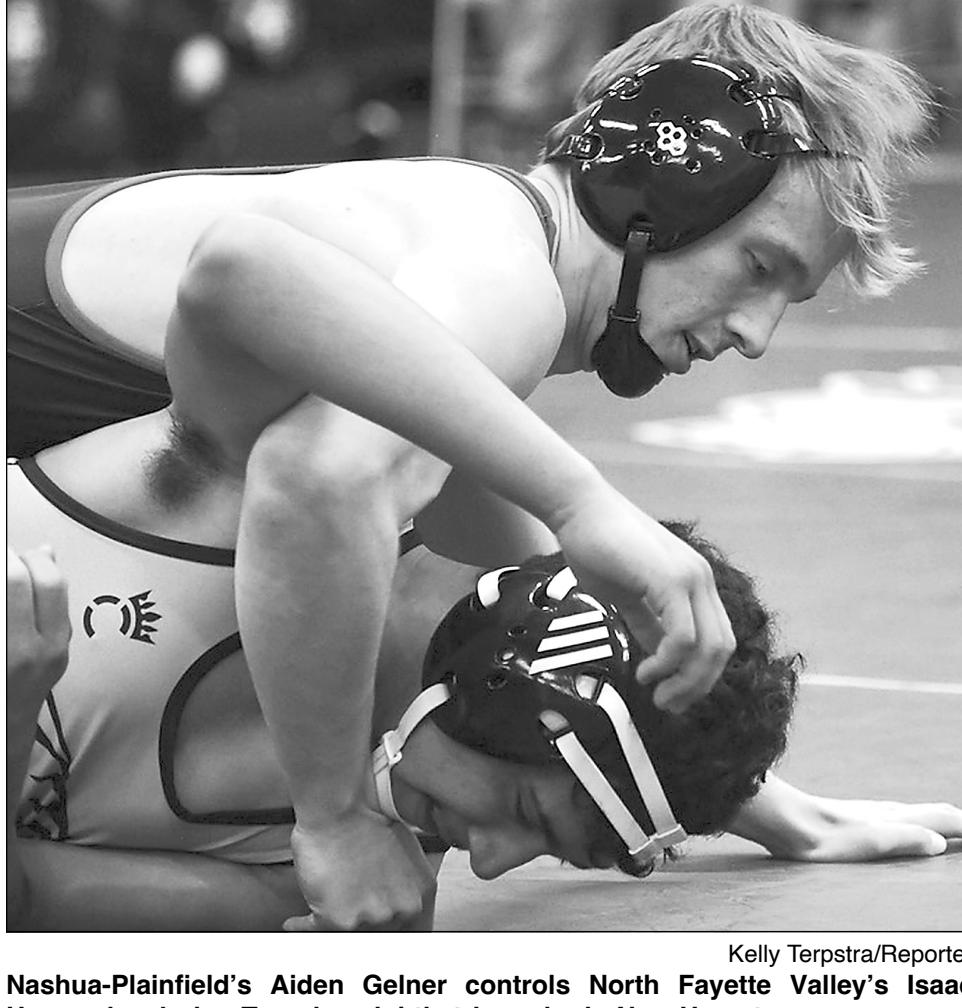
The Chickasaws stole N-P's momentum with a big win by NH/TV's Leander Reicks – who stuck Jackson Carey in 3:00 at 175 pounds. Carey was wrestling up two weights, as the state qualifier last year will predominantly wrestle in the 157-pound weight bracket this year.

With the match tied at 12-12, up stepped seniors Ethan Svehla (14-3) and Tate White (15-2) – which provided grappling fans with one of the better matches of the night at 190. White, ranked ninth for N-P, wrestled well, as he held off the powerful Svehla for a 3-1 decision.

NH/TV's biggest horse – second-ranked Braden McShane (18-1) – was a heavy favorite over Husky senior Aiden Sullivan at 215 pounds. The undersized Sullivan (11-4) worked a reversal on McShane late in the third period. Tensions really mounted between the two teams – who were sitting right next to each other on the mat – after a controversial stalling call was signaled against Sullivan late in the third period. McShane – who placed third at state last year as a 220-pounder – won the match, 12-4.

"Aiden Sullivan's a smart wrestler," said Frost. "He's undersized. He's 196 pounds. He knows what we've got to have to be competitive. He knows that if he can't win, he's going to keep it close and not give up bonus points."

Gatlin McCumber (15-5) stuck Isaac



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Nashua-Plainfield's Aiden Gelin controls North Fayette Valley's Isaac Hernandez during Tuesday night's triangular in New Hampton.

Jones at 285 pounds and the Chickasaws held a 22-15 lead.

Pins by Connor Sullivan (106) and Nic Brase (113) gave N-P the lead back at 27-22. But Chickasaw senior Landon Bruess (120) ended up pinning senior Hayden Munn in 4:56. NH/TV was once again back on top, 28-27.

"Connor Sullivan – that little scrapper – he pulls out a big win," said Frost. "I get it. They're a little weak there, but you know what, give hats off to Connor."

Kolbie Vance, an N-P freshman, demonstrated he's a serious up-and-comer as he won by fall over Cargin Robinson at the 3:44 mark of the second period at 126.

N-P would clinch the match at 132 – where top-ranked and defending state champ Jayden Rinken (14-0) pinned Braiden Schaufenbuel in 1:35.

"I knew it was going to come down to being a scrap," said Frost. "We won some matches that I didn't know we were going to win at those starting weights. It made a big difference."

N-P earned wins over Northwood-Kensett (81-0), West Fork (84-0) and Eagle Grove (54-24) on Thursday night, which was also the Huskies' Senior Night.

N-P wrestles in the Battle of Waterloo today (Friday) at 9 a.m. versus No. 6 Iowa City High in Bracket B (Magnum Bracket). The winner takes on the victor between Waterloo East and No. 4 Linn-Mar. The Huskies finish out the prestigious tourney in Black Hawk County on Saturday.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 81, NORTHWOOD-KENSETT 0

175 - Maverick Dietz-McDonald (NP) won by forfeit. 190 - Tate White (NP) won by forfeit. 215 - Aiden Sullivan (NP) pinned Chaz Cummins, 1:25. 285 - Isaac Jones (NP) pinned Tyce Skellenger, 0:51. 106 - Connor Sullivan (NP) won by forfeit. 113 - Nic Brase (NP) won by forfeit. 120 - Hayden Munn (NP) pinned Lincoln Scarlett, 2:53.

126 - Jayden Rinken (NP) won by forfeit. 132 - Luke Zwanziger (NP) pinned Weston Willard, 2:24. 138 - Tyler Zimmer (NP) won by forfeit. 144 - Devon Griffin (NP) won by forfeit. 150 - Zachary Zwanziger (NP) dec. Alex Tiedemann, 4:0. 157 - Aiden Gelin (NP) won by forfeit. 165 - Dylan Blanchard (NP) pinned Trent Tiedemann, 4:38.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 84, WEST FORK 0

190 - White (NP) won by forfeit. 215 - A. Sullivan

(NP) won by forfeit. 285 - Jones (NP) won by forfeit. 106 - C. Sullivan (NP) won by forfeit. 113 - Brase (NP) won by forfeit. 120 - Munn (NP) won by forfeit. 126 - Rinken (NP) won by forfeit.

132 - L. Zwanziger (NP) pinned Brooks Jones, 1:39. 138 - Zimmer (NP) won by forfeit. 144 - Griffin (NP) pinned Caleb Kruger, 1:54. 150 - De. Blanchard (NP) pinned Jasper Jones, 1:20. 157 - Gelin (NP) won by forfeit. 165 - Jackson Carey (NP) pinned Andrew Baker, 0:59. 175 - Dietz-McDonald (NP) won by forfeit.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 54, EAGLE GROVE 24

215 - A. Sullivan (NP) won by forfeit. 285 - Jesus

Baez (EG) pinned Jones, 1:23. 106 - C. Sullivan

(NP) won by forfeit. 113 - Brase (NP) won by forfeit. 120 - Munn (NP) pinned Jackson Babcock, 1:01.

126 - Rinken (NP) pinned Mack Morgan, 5:16. 132 - Cooper Thacker (EG) pinned L. Zwanziger, 3:13.

138 - Zimmer (NP) pinned Leelan Spencer, 1:03. 144 - Connor Christopher (EG) won in tie-

breaker over De. Blanchard, 7:4. 150 - Hayden Schafer (EG) pinned Griffin, 2:49. 157 - Gelin (NP) won by forfeit. 165 - Dy. Blanchard (NP) won by forfeit. 175 - Jayden Kreitlow (EG) dec. Dietz-McDonald, 8:2. 190 - White (NP) won by forfeit.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 49, NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 27

138 - Tate German (NFTV) pinned Zimmer, 1:04.

144 - Logan Boehm (NFTV) pinned Griffin, 0:31.

150 - De. Blanchard (NP) pinned Ryan Griffith, 0:45. 157 - Gelin (NP) dec. Isaac Hernandez, 6:3. 165 - Dy. Blanchard (NP) pinned Emmanuel Hernandez, 1:14. 175 - Kenny Kerr (NFTV) pinned Dietz-McDonald, 2:13.

190 - White (NP) maj. dec. Malachi Rothlisberger, 13:5. 215 - A. Sullivan (NP) won by forfeit. 285 - Layne Kleppie (NFTV) pinned Jones, 3:55. 106 - C. Sullivan (NP) pinned Henry Bechtold, 3:08. 113 - Brase (NP) won by forfeit. 120 - Munn (NP) pinned Kyson Moss, 5:06. 126 - Rinken (NP) pinned Blake Sparagrove, 3:16. 132 - Jaxson Lundgren (NFTV) pinned L. Zwanziger, 8:3.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 39, NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY 34

144 - Griffin (NP) pinned Tate Schwickerath, 5:40. 150 - De. Blanchard (NP) dec. Ethan Praska, 6:4. 157 - Gelin (NP) dec. Burke Busta, 9:3. 165 - Karson Kolbet (NHTV) pinned Dy. Blanchard, 2:28.

175 - Leander Reicks (NHTV) pinned Carey, 3:00.

190 - White (NP) dec. Ethan Svehla, 3:1. 215 - Braden McShane (NHTV) maj. dec. A. Sullivan, 12:4.

285 - Gatlin McCumber (NHTV) pinned Jones, 1:58. 106 - C. Sullivan (NP) pinned Quinlan Mahoney, 0:32. 113 - Brase (NP) pinned Ty Moudry, 1:01. 120 - Landon Bruess (NHTV) pinned Munn, 4:56. 126 - Kollie Vance (NP) pinned Cargin Robinson, 3:44. 132 - Rinken (NP) pinned Braiden Schaufenbuel, 1:35. 138 - Jayden Bucknell (NHTV) pinned Zimmer, 5:06.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 44, SOUTH WINNESHEIK INVITE TEAM SCORES

Decorah 196, Osage/Riceville 187.5, West

Delaware 147, Sumner-Fredericksburg 113.5,

Crestwood 104, North Central Trailblazers 92,

Anamosa 81, South Winnesheik 77.5, Denver

77, Waukon 75, Central Elkader 65, Grand

Meadow 64, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 61,

St. Ansgar 58, MFL-Mar-Mac 49, North Fayette

Valley 49, Postville 43, Oelwein 30, Nashua-

Plainfield 23, Starmont 7, Concordia 0, DeSota 0.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

135 Silver - O'Neill placed fourth. Quarterfinal

- O'Neill pinned Jade Pohlmann (WD), 0:51.

Semifinal - Maddie Johnson (DEN) pinned O'Neill, 0:34. Cons. Semi - O'Neill pinned Bayleigh Wood, 1:42. 3rd Place Match - Meghan

Besler (ANA) pinned O'Neill, 0:44.

155 - Bloker did not place. Champ. Round

1 - Bloker dec. Kelly Thordson (NHTV), 14-10.

Quarterfinal - Lauren Luzum (DEC) pinned Bloker, 0:49. Cons. Round 2 - Bloker pinned Lily

Heim (WD), 1:02. Cons. Round 3 - Briana Burke

(CRES) pinned Bloker, 2:41.

170 Silver - Emerson Franzen placed fifth.

Round 1 - Jada Chisholm (OSA) dec. Franzen,

10-3. Round 2 - Franzen dec. Avery Hoffmeyer

(NCTB), 4-0. Round 3 - Gracie Heim (WD)

pinned Franzen, 0:33. Round 5 - Izabelle Alley

(DEC) pinned Franzen, 1:43.

235 - Lamborn placed third. Quarterfinal -

Lamborn pinned Ava Bittner, 0:26. Semifinal

- Emma Schipper (OSA) pinned Lamborn, 1:37.

Cons. Semi - Lamborn pinned Danika Reiser

(WAU), 3:00. 3rd Place Match - Lamborn dec.

Nevaeh Dutcher (NCTB), 8-3.

NFV 30, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 12

120 - Kiah Schultz (NFV) won by forfeit. 155



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Matthew Malven puts up a shot in a game against Northwood-Kensett earlier this month.

Husky boys coach says he sees 'improvements'

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finish through contact. We backed the ball out all night. Give them credit, they played physical and pushed us around a bit, too."

Sophomore guard Landon Foelske notched 11 points to lead the Husky scoring attack. Foelske connected on four of his seven shot attempts. He also was tops on the team in rebounding with seven.

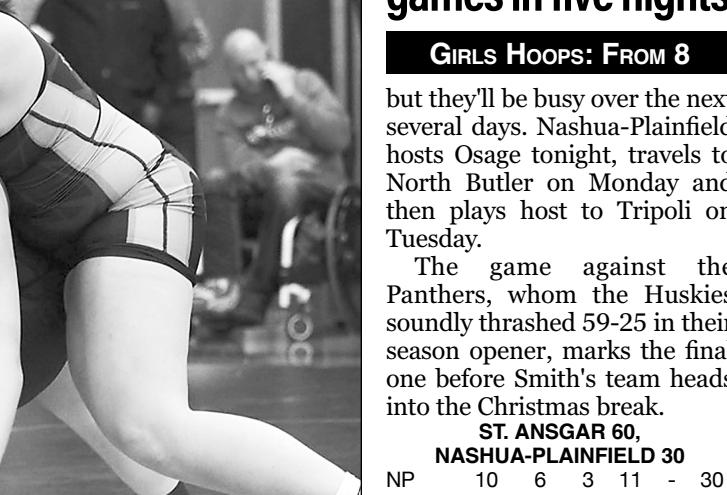
"Landon was aggressive on both sides of the floor. He also just completed the easy plays against Saint that he was struggling with in other games. He also played with more control and patience," said Mueller.

Matthew Malven hit for nine points on 4-8 shooting and Jase Hansen tallied eight points. Hansen banged home two three-pointers.

N-P senior guard Tucker Franzen collected seven points.

"We were disappointed in the loss and the game was won on the interior like they usually are in basketball," said the N-P coach.

The Huskies (1-3, 1-2) have lost three games in a row after defeating Rockford in the season opener last month by a



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but they'll be busy over the next several days. Nashua-Plainfield hosts Osage tonight, travels to North Butler on Monday and then plays host to Tripoli on Tuesday.

The game against the Panthers, whom the Huskies soundly thrashed 59-25 in their season opener, marks the final one before Smith's team heads into the Christmas break.

ST. ANSGAR 52, NASHUA-PLAINFIELD 44

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Tucker Franzen 3-0-0-7, Matthew

Malven 4-8 0-0-9, Landon Foelske 4-7-

2-11, Trent Rodru 3-4 0-0-6,泰勒

Geise 1-4 0-0-3, Jase Hansen 3-6 0-0-8, Avery Mueller 0-0 0-0 0, Hunter

Bonus points key to Huskies claiming home tournament title

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may not like it, but they gotta keep buying in to long hours."

N-P had 10 wrestlers place in the top three and had four Huskies win their bracket in Nic Brase (113), Jayden Rinken (126), Devon Blanchard (144) and Titus Evans (175).

Nashua-Plainfield, the No. 5 ranked team in Class 1A according to IAwrestle, ruled the roost on Saturday at its home gym. The Huskies scored bonus point after bonus point by besting Ballard – 249.5 to 231.5. The Bombers – ranked No. 4 in Class 2A – just couldn't keep up.

"Ballard I knew was going to give us a tough battle," said Frost. "They got some stud horses. It was going to take everybody to get this done and we did. My hats off to them. I'm proud of them."

N-P's headliners so far this season are two of Frost's grapplers that helped bring back third-place trophies in each the traditional and dual state tourneys last February.

That would be Rinken – the defending Class 1A state champ at 106 that's bumped up several weight classes this year – and the No. 4 rated Brase. Brase placed fifth last year at 113 pounds and is wrestling at that same weight again in 2023-2024.

Both are juniors and each of the standout grapplers are 14-0. All of those victories have come by pin or forfeit – the majority of them the former.

"I feel like I was just ready to go today and showed up to wrestle," said Brase. "It's early yet, so anything can happen. It's still preseason, technically. I'm here when it's time to wrestle and I get after it."

N-P senior Titus Evans (6-0) – who has missed some time this year as he is trying to shed some pounds that he gained during the fall playing football – was back on the mat and also came up big. Evans stuck No. 8 Rhett Hedrick of Ballard in just 1:26 in his first-place bout at 175 pounds.

"I came into my finals match knowing it was going to be a good match and I just went out and got right after it," said Evans. "I got my takedowns. I went to my favorite shot."

Evans favorite shot is a single leg and that often rolls into a cradle – which he's locked up to much success so far in just six matches. Evans placed fifth at state last year at 170 pounds and is ranked third in his new weight class.

"At the beginning of the season it was pretty rough cutting weight. I came down from 200 going to 175. Cutting weight just messes with your emotions," said Evans.

N-P broke the school record last year by sending all but one weight class to the traditional state meet in Des Moines. That one wrestler was Blanchard, who is improved from a year ago and ready to take center stage for his Huskies.

Blanchard (12-4) did not lose in his round-robin style bracket at 144 pounds. He pinned his way to the final match against Ballard's Jayden Leland. Blanchard won that match by tech fall – 15-0.

Blanchard's motivation this year is simple – get to Des Moines to tangle with the state's best at Wells Fargo Arena and wrestle at state duals down in Coralville.

"It definitely makes me more hungry for this year. It was really upsetting being the only one that didn't make it," said Blanchard about missing out on a state berth last year. "I just got to keep improving and hopefully make it down this year."

What's different about Blanchard's time out on the mat this year, as opposed to his freshman year when he went 25-20?

"I push the pace a little bit more than last year," said Blanchard. "Last year I was kind of just on my defense. This year I'm starting to get on my offense."

Huskies senior 165-pounder Dylan Blanchard (11-5) – Devon's older brother – bounced back after getting stuck in his first match versus Northwood-Kensett's Trent Tiedemann in the second period. Blanchard had pinned Tiedemann in 4:58 just two days earlier at N-P's home dual on Thursday. He worked his way to four-straight pins in his round-robin style bracket to claim the runner-up spot at 165 pounds.

Tate White (15-2), a senior that is ranked No. 9 at 190 pounds, went 4-1 on the day. His only loss came against top-ranked Brody Sampson of Ballard. Sampson finished state runner-up last year at 182 and claimed a 22-7 technical fall victory over White. White won by a 7-2 decision in first match against No. 7 ranked Kyle Kuhlmann



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Nashua-Plainfield's Titus Evans (above) and Devon Blanchard (below) pick up pins at Saturday's Nashua-Plainfield Invitational.



of Sumner-Fredericksburg.

Aiden Sullivan (11-4), a senior 215-pounder, also racked up four wins versus one loss on the day. Sullivan's final victory came by decision – 10-3 – over Jack Hiland of Bellevue.

"We had some kids that lost some matches and came back solid and came back tough," said Frost. "They know that's what it's going to take."

Tyler Zimmer – Frost's sophomore 138-pounder – also pinned his way to the finals. There he took on No. 3 Holden Mathis of MFL-Mar-Mac. Zimmer (9-5) held his own as Mathis won by a 6-3 decision.

"He was in the match. He had his opportunities. That's what we need to keep doing. We need to keep battling good kids, because we're not going to get any better wrestling kids that are mediocre," said Frost. "We've got to know if we're going to do anything as a team or as individuals, we gotta battle with the best. Today was a good opportunity – at least in the later rounds – to wrestle some of the better kids in the state."

A special moment took place before the placing matches got underway. Frost took to the microphone to honor 2023 N-P grad Kaden Wilken, who passed away last September. Wilken was an integral part of N-P's squad last year at 138 pounds and was a state qualifier.

The team presented Kaden's parents – Andy and Sara Wilken – with Kaden's singlet, which was signed by past and present Husky wrestlers.

Evans – Kaden's best friend – was the first to give the Wilken's a hug during the short, yet heartfelt ceremony.

"I spend some time with Sara and Andy, so obviously I was the one that was going to give

them the plaque," said Evans. "It was pretty emotional. I was just trying to stay focused for my finals match, but I knew that Kaden was right there with me."

The recognition of Wilken and honoring his memory meant a lot to Frost, who was clearly choked up when speaking about Kaden's dedication and the impact he had on the program.

"The dedication of the singlet was to honor

him – on behalf of the school, on behalf of the team," said Frost.

Evans said he is going to dedicate the rest of his high school athletic career towards Wilken.

"They two were good friends. They were close," said Frost about Evans. "It's been a struggle for Titus. We had a pretty serious talk here awhile back and I think we got some things straightened out."

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD INVITE TEAM SCORES

Nashua-Plainfield 249.5, Ballard 231.5, MFL-Mar-Mac 136, BCLUW-SH 93, Sumner-Fredericksburg 85, BGMS 74.5, Northwood-Kensett 61, Postville 60, Central Elkader 42, Bellevue 39, Waterloo Columbus 38, Clayton Ridge 37, Rockford 29, West Fork 0.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

106 - Connor Sullivan placed fourth. Round 1 - Sullivan pinned Michael Elmers (SF), 2:42. Round 2 - Easton Enyeart (BAL) pinned Sullivan, 1:56. Round 3 - Jesus Lara (CR) pinned Sullivan, 3:21. Round 4 - Hunter Hodina (BGM) dec. Sullivan, 7-1.

113 - Nic Brase placed first. Round 1 - Brase pinned Gunnar Ross (MFL), 1:50. Round 2 - Brase pinned Darin Ramirez (POST), 0:11. Round 3 - Brase pinned Grayson Hedrick (BAL), 1:39.

120 - Hayden Munn placed second. Round 1 - Munn pinned Linca Scarlett (NK), 0:37. Round 2 - Munn pinned Rylan Schroeder (MFL), 0:25. Round 3 - Kenny Colson (CR) pinned Munn, 14-13.

126 - Jayden Rinken placed first. Quarterfinal - Rinken pinned Maverick Grafke (BCLUW), 1:16. Semifinal - Rinken pinned Sam Egan (SF), 2:49. 1st Place Match - Rinken pinned Braxton Bormann (CE), 5:14.

132 - Luke Zwanziger placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Zwanziger pinned Collin Jaster (CE), 1:39. Semifinal - Zaden Eggers (BCLUW) dec. Zwanziger, 5-3. Cons. Semi - Zwanziger pinned Gavin Kishman, 5:34. 3rd Place Match - Briar Kriegel (BGM) pinned Zwanziger, 2:36.

138 - Tyler Zimmer placed second. Quarterfinal - Zimmer pinned Aiden Harms (BELL), 1:22. Semifinal - Zimmer pinned Carter Jeffs, 0:37. 1st Place Match - Holden Mathis (MFL) dec. Zimmer, 6-3.

144 - Devon Blanchard placed first. Round 1 - Blanchard pinned Brennan Blake (SF), 2:30. Round 3 - Blanchard pinned Alex Baltes (ROCK), 1:49. Round 4 - Blanchard pinned Chance Cordes (BCLUW), 0:21. Round 5 - Blanchard tech. fall Jayden Leland (BAL), 15-0.

150 - Devon Griffin placed fifth. Quarterfinal - Griffin pinned Seth Smith (BELL), 3:21. Semifinal - Tucker Vizthum (BAL) pinned Griffin, 0:49. Cons. Semi - Preston Kulper (CE) pinned Griffin, 1:38. 5th Place Match - Griffin pinned Smith (BELL), 4:43.

157 - Aiden Gelner (NP) placed third. Quarterfinal - Gelner pinned Caleb Lawrence (CR), 1:38. Semifinal - Tristen Koehn (MFL) pinned Gelner, 2:58. Cons. Semi - Gelner pinned Wyatt Guiles (BCLUW), 0:58. 3rd Place Match - Gelner dec. Daniel Hyman (BAL), 8-5.

165 - Dylan Blanchard placed second. Round 1 - Trent Tiedemann (NK) pinned Blanchard, 2:38. Round 2 - Blanchard pinned Landen Cooling (BGM), 1:12. Round 3 - Blanchard pinned Jordan Cannon (SF), 1:07. Round 4 - Blanchard pinned Jaxon Shafer, 0:38. Round 5 - Blanchard pinned Quinn McGeough (MFL), 1:52.

175 - Titus Evans placed first. Quarterfinal - Evans pinned Brecken Schlader (ROCK), 1:06. Semifinal - Evans pinned Stephen Russell (POST), 0:55. 1st Place Match - Evans pinned Rhett Hedrick (BAL), 1:26.

190 - Tate White placed second. Round 1 - White dec. Kyle Kuhlmann (SF), 7-2. Round 2 - White pinned Connor Wenthe (POST), 1:13. Round 3 - White pinned Manning Pfantz (BCLUW), 1:18. Round 4 - Brody Sampson (BAL) tech. fall White, 22-7. Round 5 - White pinned Dayne Kohrs (MFL), 1:53.

215 - Aiden Sullivan placed third. Quarterfinal - Grant Henderson (SF) pinned Sullivan, 3:02. Cons. Round 3 - Sullivan pinned Chaz Cummins (NK), 0:53. Cons. Semi - Sullivan pinned Sam Acevedo (POST), 5:27. 3rd Place Match - Sullivan dec. Jack Hiland (BELL), 10-3.

285 - Isaac Jones did not place. Quarterfinal - Will Howes (MFL) pinned Jones, 2:46. Cons. Round 3 - Griffin Berry (BGM) pinned Jones, 3:36.

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The Huskies' '15th Man!'

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Nashua-Plainfield's Nic Brase (above) puts the finishing touches on a pin while teammate Luke Zwanziger (below) works on picking up back points during the Huskies' home tournament.

Shorthanded Husky girls fall to TIC East-leading St. Ansgar

Nashua-Plainfield gets set for hectic finish to their pre-Christmas portion with three games in five days

By BOB FENSK
Of the Reporter

The final score may have looked ugly Monday night, but Nashua-Plainfield girls basketball coach Josh Smith found some positives in his team's 60-30 loss to St. Ansgar.

"I thought we played pretty well, especially early on, for being shorthanded," Smith said after his team fell to 1-3 overall and 0-3 in the Top of Iowa Conference East Division. "I'm proud of the girls we had for stepping up and being asked to carry a different role into that game."

St. Ansgar came into the game as the lone unbeaten in the TIC East, but despite not having the services of Jalynn Pratt, the team's third-leading scorer and second-leading rebounder, the Huskies played an inspired first quarter.

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HOME COOKIN' GOOD FOR N-P!

HUSKIES CROWN FOUR CHAMPIONS, HOLD OFF BALLARD TO WIN TEAM TITLE AT HOME INVITATIONAL

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Al Frost guessed low.

At the conclusion of his team's home wrestling invite on Saturday night – the Nashua-Plainfield wrestling coach knew his team picked up quite a few pins, which went a long way towards securing the team title on an emotional and hard-fought day for his Huskies.

Frost, in his 34th year as head coach, threw out a number as to an approximate total of the falls his Huskies engineered to hold off a stout Ballard squad to sit atop the perch once more. While that assumption was in the ball park – the speculative prediction might have been residing somewhere in the upper deck as his estimate was a tad off.

The answer was a whopping 32.

Frost and his coaching staff



will obviously know more than anyone as to just how far this young, but talented squad can go this winter.

It's early, but Frost's Huskies may have even surprised the

longtime coach about how well they did in a week that saw N-P compete in its only two home dates of the year.

"This is going to be a little feather in our hat to show that

we're on the right track – that the work that we're putting in is paying off," said Frost. "They gotta continue to believe. They

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Nashua-Plainfield wins Chickasaw County battle

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

This one almost got a little chippy.

But heck, renewed area rivalries are a good thing for the most part.

It was an exciting finish on Tuesday night in New Hampton, as Al Frost's Huskies – competing with a short-handed lineup – held off a game New Hampton/Turkey Valley squad to eke out a 39-34 victory in front of a boisterous crowd.

Needless to say, emotions ran high in this matchup that pitted two schools that are separated by less than 20 miles of highway.

Throw in the fact that each school has a proud tradition with the state titles to prove it and it isn't hard to understand that this

dual mattered – a lot.

N-P is ranked fifth in Class 1A by IAwrestle and is fresh off of racking up two third-place state trophies that the Huskies brought back home after their tremendous accomplishments in the dual and traditional tournaments a season ago.

NH/TV – almost six years removed from its last Class 2A state dual crown in 2018 – remains a predominant power statewide and still packs plenty of punch.

Both teams fought tooth-and-nail to claim victory.

"You take a look at the situation, New Hampton's a good, solid team. Sure, they got their weak weights and so do we," said Frost. "New Hampton's always going to

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N-P boys drop TIC road tilt to Saints

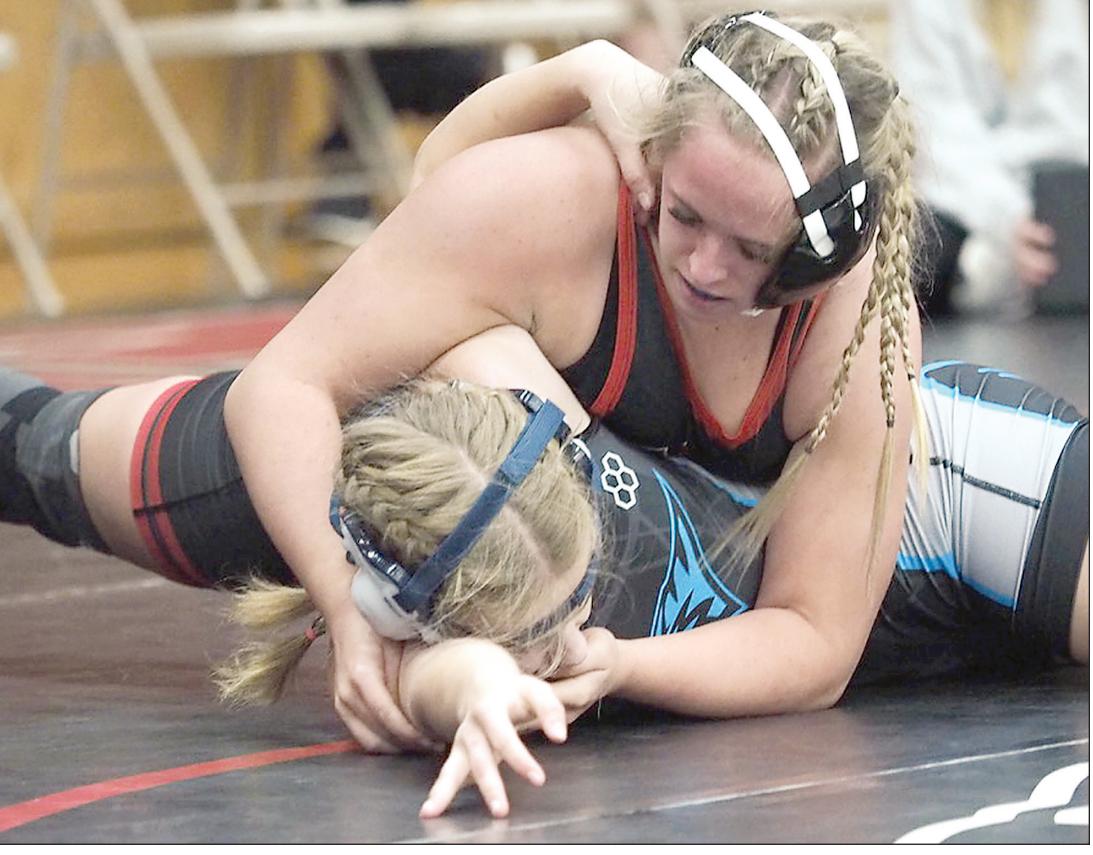
BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

Sometimes, being the aggressor works out in your favor.

That was evident Monday night in St. Ansgar as the host Saints pulled off a come-from-behind victory over the Nashua-Plainfield Huskies by a score of 52-44.

N-P led 40-37 headed into the final period, but the Saints outscored the Huskies 15-4 in the final eight minutes of the

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield's Nevaeh Bloker works to turn an opponent during a meet held in New Hampton on Tuesday evening.

Huskies get their one chance to wrestle in friendly confines

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Nashua-Plainfield girls wrestling team has just one more match before winter break.

That means the Huskies and head coach Reece Reams continue to stay busy out on the mat.

N-P tangled with North Butler-Clarksville last week Thursday, which happened to be the lone home date for the Huskies this season.

Nevaeh Bloker (155), Lily Jones (170) and Eden Lamborn (235) all came up with pins in the

match that did not tally a team score.

The Huskies headed to the South Winneshiek Invite on Friday at Luther College in Decorah. N-P placed 19th with 23 points.

Lamborn, now 11-4 on the season, placed third in her weight class. She earned pins over Ava Bitner of Concordia in just 26 seconds and Danika Reiser of Waukon in 3:00. Lamborn won her third-place match over Nevaeh Dutcher of North Central Trailblazers by an 8-3 decision.

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ON TAP FOR OUR N-P HUSKIES

FRIDAY

Boys wrestling at Battle of Waterloo (Iowa City High first opponent), 9 a.m.

Basketball vs. Osage, boys JV at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Boys wrestling at Battle of Waterloo, 9 a.m. or 3 p.m.

MONDAY

Basketball at North Butler, boys JV at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Boys JV wrestling at Riceville tournament, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY

Basketball vs. Tripoli, boys JV (two quarters) at 5:30 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Boys wrestling vs. Rockford, North Union and Forest City at Rockford, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 2

Girls wrestling at Osage Invitational, 9 a.m.

Basketball vs. Riceville, boys JV at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 4

Basketball vs. Central Springs, boys JV at 5 p.m., girls varsity at 6:15 p.m., boys varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Boys wrestling vs. Osage and St. Ansgar at Osage, 6 p.m.



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Jase Hansen looks for an open Nashua-Plainfield teammate after driving into the lane during a game against Northwood-Kensett earlier this season.