

N-P gearing up for complex's opening night

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ceremony at 5:30 p.m., recognition of donors, ceremonial first pitches, the opening of the new concession stand with “five-star” options and, of course, the games themselves as the baseball team will host North Linn in a varsity only game at 6 p.m. and the softball team will take on Hampton-Dumont-CAL in a JV-varsity doubleheader with the varsity game starting at 7:30 p.m.

Following the games, closing remarks and thank yous will be delivered as Nashua-Plainfield begins a new era on the diamond.

“I can’t wait because it’s a huge upgrade to what we had at our field in Nashua,” said Mason Hyde, a 2018 Nashua-Plainfield graduate who is taking over as head coach of the Huskies’ baseball program. “There are so many positives for our school and our baseball and softball programs with this. Having lights for us, playing at the same site, it’s going to be huge. I can’t wait.”

Neither can Marley, even if there are those loose ends still lurking.

Scoreboards, bleachers and dugout benches need to be installed, and the Nashua-Plainfield superintendent said



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The view from behind the backstop of the new softball field.

they will be early next month.

But make no mistake about it, the complex that includes diamonds named after two legendary coaches — baseball’s Cary Griffith and softball’s Leonard Yilek — is a gem.

Opening night will also have free admission although free-will donations will be accepted.

“We’re basically saying we’ll welcome them,” Marley said, “but they’re not expected. We just want people to come celebrate with us and enjoy the night and a complex that we couldn’t have built without the support of so many people.”

In March 2023, Nashua-Plainfield voters overwhelmingly approved a School Board proposal to sell general-obligation bonds to finance the project and use the district’s SAVE funds to pay back those bonds.

After a hiccup later that

spring when bids came in too high, school officials reworked the plan and new bids were accepted that fall. Work on the project began soon after, and much of the construction took place last summer.

Nashua-Plainfield has been the only school in the Top of Iowa Conference East Division’s that didn’t play its baseball and softball games on the same site, and the fact that the Huskies’ baseball field in Nashua didn’t have lights, meant that varsity baseball and softball games were played at the same time in towns 10 miles apart.

“In my mind, it’s great for families,” Hyde said. “We’ve had baseball guys with sisters who are playing softball, and that meant families kind of had to split up. With this, that doesn’t have to happen anymore and that’s a really good thing.”

And while his baseball team has a tough challenge waiting for it on May 29 — North Linn, coached by Cary Griffith’s son, Travis, has been a state power in recent years — Hyde said the opening night opponent is perfect.

“Travis played here, his dad coached here, it’s the best way to play our first game,” he said. “I mean I know it’s going to be a challenge, but that doesn’t matter. To be able to play that first game on a diamond like that, I wish it was May 29th right now.”

Again, ditto for Marley.

“The letter we’re sending out, I signed it with ‘deepest gratitude.’ And that’s really why we want to make it a special night,” he said, “because we have a lot to be thankful for when it comes to the people who helped make this happen.”

End of the 2025-26 school year is definitely in sight

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see Mrs. Kalainoff get nervous.”

Still, it’s going to be a busy month for not only those seniors but also for their younger brethren. Spring break started with dismissal on Thursday and students return to class next Wednesday (although teachers head back to school on Tuesday for a “work day”), prom is set for Saturday, May 3, there are concerts coming up, end-of-the-year field trips are on tap and, of course, graduation week looms.

In other words, these are exciting times at Nashua-Plainfield schools.

Spring also means that an epidemic of “senioritis” is in full bloom. Trust us on that, the

seniors will tell you that, their teachers will tell you that and their counselor will tell you that.

Kalainoff gets it; after all, the end of one journey is in sight.

But she also said while Nashua-Plainfield teachers, coaches and staff members expect those 40 kids to “push to the end,” Kalainoff said she also said there are times that the seniors’ families and friends need to put it in perspective.

“I think there’s so much pressure on kids these days,” she said. “They hear it all the time — ‘what are you going to do?’ — and to me, if they don’t know, that’s OK, too. No 18-year-old needs to have the rest of their life planned out.”

Her advice to seniors who

still aren’t quite sure of where the next journey will take them is to look into their interests.

“I tell them to find what interests them,” she said. “They don’t have to know exactly what they’re going to do, but it should be something that fits

in those interests. ... Take me, I was going to be a doctor or a nurse or in health-care, and here I am, a school counselor. But I wanted to help people — that was my interest — and my path brought me here. It’s OK not to know.”

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Honoring two great coaches

Here are the bios of the two men who will have fields named after them at the new Nashua-Plainfield Diamond Complex that were provided by Superintendent Jay Marley:

Leonard Yilek Softball Field

Coach Leonard Yilek dedicated 30 years to coaching softball, leaving a lasting impact on the teams and communities he served. His coaching journey began at Norway Consolidated School (1956-1972), continued at Cedar Valley of Sommer (1972-1979), and concluded at Plainfield School (1979-1986). Over the course of his career, he amassed an impressive record of 550 wins, 364 losses, and 1 tie.

From 1985-1986, his teams achieved remarkable success with 63 wins and only 6 losses. The 1986 season was particularly notable, as his team secured both the Iowa Star Conference Championship and the Sectional Championship.

In 1987, Coach Yilek was honored by the Iowa High School Coaches Association with two prestigious awards—one recognizing his 500 career victories and another celebrating his 30 years of dedication to coaching softball.

Beyond his achievements, Coach Yilek’s legacy is deeply personal. He had the unique honor of coaching his wife and three daughters in softball, while his son served as his assistant coach. His leadership, passion, and commitment to the game have left an enduring mark on the program and the lives of those he coached.

This softball field is dedicated in his honor, celebrating a lifetime of dedication to softball and the student-athletes he mentored.

Cary Griffith Baseball Field

Coach Cary Griffith dedicated his life to education, athletics, and officiating, leaving a lasting impact on countless students and athletes. As the head baseball coach from 1974-1998, he led his teams to 387 victories and 7 Conference Championships. After 42 years of teaching and coaching, he retired in 2011, but his contributions to sports continued well beyond the classroom and the field.

A highly respected official, Cary was recognized with a 50-year service award for officiating in 2017. His dedication earned him induction into the Basketball Officials Hall of Fame (2018) and the Iowa High School Officials Hall of Fame (2020). In June 2024, he was posthumously honored by the Iowa Girls Coaches Association Softball Officials Hall of Fame, cementing his legacy as one of Iowa’s most esteemed sports figures.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Cary found his greatest joy in family.

Whether supporting his children’s activities in sports, music, or drama, or later cheering on his grandchildren, he was always their biggest fan.

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Supervisors approve tax levy, budget as presented

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Former Chickasaw County Auditor and current Board of Health member Joan Knoll asked supervisors “are there are any other budgets within General Basic that you can look at reduction. I don’t care General Basic or any other budgets besides what you have looked at ... can you further decrease any of those expenditures to cover up your \$300,000 deficit.”

“I think they were all looked at, Joan,” Board Chairman Jake Hackman said. “I think that’s why we decided to decrease the [expenditures] in departments. We asked, I can name mostly all of them, County Conservation to Land Use to Public Health to Environmental Health, all the buildings. We slashed a lot of those non-profits, non-county departments.”

Residents spoke out against the raises earmarked for elected officials in the 2025-26 budget, and they also asked board members to consider selling at least one of the county-owned buildings in New Hampton.

“I know it’s been mentioned before about the [old] Hugeback building and the Heritage building,” Nancy Franzen said. “Is there a reason those two haven’t been combined for services? I’ve been in both of those building previously and I can’t imagine two departments completely fill the Hugeback building, and I would think there is room in the Heritage building.”

Hackman concurred that there is room and that “we will be looking at selling one of them or moving people around,” although he added that the Hugeback building that is now home to the Attorney’s Office and Emergency Management Agency is a prime storage area for other county departments.

But during the public hearing itself, the most impassioned pleas came from residents Mary Rosonke and Franzen about the cuts to Public Health.

“I really think they are tak-

ing a terrible cut, and I think there is a real strong need in this county for them,” Rosonke said. “My goodness, we have so many elderly people. Public Health keeps them out of nursing homes and in their homes and lets them have a better life. ... But don’t cut so back on so many people that the voters can’t be served.”

Franzen agreed, pointing out that 23 percent of the county’s population is age 65 or older.

“I know you’re young and probably think you’re never going to get there,” Franzen said to board members, “but everybody gets there sooner or later. That is the population that is most vulnerable and needs Public Health more than anybody else in this room.”

Less than an hour after the public hearing was closed, board members adopted the budget. Despite the comments made during the hearing, they did not bring up Public Health, but Supervisor Travis Suckow voiced his concerns about the pay raises for elected officials.

Last month, supervisors agreed to not take a 2.5 percent raise they had granted themselves earlier this year when they reached a consensus for elected officials to receive pay hikes between 2.5 percent and 8 percent. But board members left the other raises in place.

“I will say I’ve had the public say the same thing as [resident] Kathy [Shekleton] stated earlier [during the public hearing],” Suckow said. “Why is everyone else getting raises?”

Suckow asked if supervisors would be willing to consider freezing salaries?

“We’d probably have to recess if that is the motion that you make,” Hackman said. “We’ve got to redo a lot of things to make a freeze and we can. I’m not saying we can’t.”

But other supervisors remained mum on the issue.

Instead, board members approved the budget and tax-levy on a 5-0 vote.



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Wrapping up National Library Week
Madison Stange isn’t quite sure how she feels about the grilled cheese sandwich, but she certainly did a bang-up job on decorating her chef’s hat and apron during a program held Saturday at the Nashua Public Library.



Eighteen-month-old Averie Dietz takes a break from decorating her apron to check out the photographer while Heather Hackman (above) can add “chef” to job duties she performs as the library director.

Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)
John 20:8-9

The Easter story from John’s Gospel

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head.

The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the

other at the foot.

They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?”

“They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?” Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him.”

Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).

Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.

— John 20: 1-18

Nashua churches plan Easter services, events

Nashua churches are planning special services for this weekend as Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

At St. John Lutheran Church, it’ll be a busy Easter morning as worship will begin at 9, an

Easter egg hunt is set for 10:30 and brunch will be served at 11.

St. Michael Catholic Church will have its service at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday while Cedar Point Church will have two services — one at 8 and the other at 10

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Governor's announcement leads to speculation on who will seek office

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“As Iowans know, family is everything,” Reynolds said. “And through the years, my parents and my husband Kevin, our daughters and our grandchildren, have stood by my side, supporting me through every challenge and every victory. And now it’s time for me to be there for them, to help them through the next stage of life, to watch every track meet and basketball game, to see them grow before they’re all grown.”

The governor’s husband, Kevin Reynolds, was diagnosed with lung cancer in 2023. In 2024, Gov. Reynolds said that her husband was in remission after radiation and chemotherapy treatments and was able to return to activities like hunting, fishing and spending time with

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NOTICE FOR SALE
SALE OF CITY PROPERTY
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There will be a public hearing concerning the sale of this property at 7:00PM on May 5, 2025, at the City Hall located at 402 Main St.

The property will be sold individually, and the legal description is noted below.

Property Location:
Address: 1020 Greeley Street
Parcel Number:
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The property will be sold by sealed bid and the winning bidder will be determined based on the highest score from the criteria that the council established determining the biggest benefit for the City of Nashua. Nashua City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Any person(s) wishing to be heard on this matter will be afforded the opportunity to be heard. Written comments will be accepted through the day of the public hearing at the Nashua City Hall PO Box 38 Nashua, Iowa 50658. Oral questions or comments can be directed to City Hall at 641.435.4156.

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By direction of the City Council of the City of Nashua, Iowa, notice is hereby given that sealed proposals/bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk in the City Hall, 402 Main Street, Nashua, Iowa, until 5:00 p.m. on the 5th day of May 2025. The sealed bids will be opened and reviewed at the regular City Council meeting held at Council Chambers in City Hall on the 5th day of May, 2025 beginning at 7:00PM. The bids/proposals are requested for the sale and use of the property you are bidding on. The property is being sold individually, and its property address is 1020 Greeley St. Nashua, IA 50658.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
MINUTES April 7, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, April 7, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Carter, Cerwinski, Suckow and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Black Hawk County Supervisor Ritch Kurtenbach, Assessor Raymond Armel, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, Public Health Director Lisa Welter, Custodian Dave Gorman

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Carter to approve the agenda for April 7, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to approve the minutes for March 31, 2025 meeting. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Public Comment: Assessor Raymond Armel shared that the assessment notices were sent and if there are any questions, please call the Assessor's office.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to approve quarterly reports for the Auditor, EMS, Recorder, Sheriff and Veterans Service ending March 31, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Carter to approve Gardiner + Company Certified Public Accountants invoice for \$8,320.00 per agreement for Audit of Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve a 28E Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between The City of Alta Vista and the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisor for FY25-26 and authorize chair signature. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinski to approve a 28E Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Between The City of Lawler and the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisor for FY25-26 and authorize chair signature. Roll Call:

the couple's family. The couple has three daughters and 11 grandchildren.

During her time as governor, Reynolds has pushed for a flat income tax and lowering tax rates, enacting the Education Savings Account program to provide public funds for private K-12 school tuition and associated costs, and making changes to Iowa's Area Education Agencies that provide special education and other services to Iowa schools.

This year, Reynolds signed into law a measure repealing civil rights protections on the basis of gender identity under the Iowa Civil Rights Act.

Despite her decision to not run again in 2026, Reynolds says she is not “slowing down just yet” and will continue for her remaining time in office to work on issues she said will help improve Iowans’ lives.

“We have important work ahead, keeping our economy strong, supporting our families and farmers, defending our freedoms and ensuring that every Iowan has the opportunity to succeed,” Reynolds said. “I’m more energized than ever to finish what we started, and to leave Iowa in the strongest possible position for the future.”

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ON
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FEE AND REVENUE PURPOSE
STATEMENT

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Nashua, Iowa located at Nashua City Hall 402 Main Street in Nashua, Iowa at 7:00 pm on the 5th day of May 2025. The purpose of this hearing is for consideration of a proposed ordinance establishing a gas and electric franchise fee equal to 5% of the company's gross revenues including the city's revenue purpose statement for use of the franchise fee revenues.

Any person(s) wishing to be heard on this matter will be afforded the opportunity to be heard. Written comments will be accepted through the day of the public hearing at the Nashua City Hall PO Box 38 Nashua, Iowa 50658. Oral questions or comments can be directed to City Hall at 641.435.4156.

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A second meeting will finalize the negotiations by award and approval of a contract for sale specifying the terms of the negotiated sale between the City and the successful purchaser.

The second meeting will be held on the 19th day of May, 2025 at the same time and location, but the City reserves the right to call additional special meetings, if necessary, prior to said meeting or to reschedule the second meeting for any reason, and to reject any and all bids, and to negotiate for best and final offers for any reason at any time.

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All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to proclaim the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month and authorize chair's signature.

Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Northeast Iowa Food Bank, Donor Relations Manager, Joshua Stevens asked for a budget request.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinski to approve setting up a Govdeals.com account for advertising and selling the unwanted kitchen equipment from the Heritage Center. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Carter to approve the Separation Letter to go to the five employees for June 1, 2025 separation. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinski to approve Permanent Layoff Notice and Severance Agreement to go to the five employees for June 1, 2025 separation. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinski to approve prior claims in the amount of \$664.95. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to approve claims in the amount of \$116,387.05. Roll call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Committee assignments
Supervisor Suckow, April 3, Turkey River Water Shed

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinski to adjourn at 9:51 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson
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ATTEST:Sheila Shekleton,
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After her announcement, Iowa Republicans shared their gratitude for Reynolds' service as governor. State Senate Majority Leader Jack Whitver said in a news release he looks forward to continuing to work with Reynolds for the rest of her term.

U.S. Rep. Ashley Hinson said in a statement she joins “every Iowan in saying thank you — we are all grateful for your love of Iowa and your dedication to our state.”

“The next governor no doubt has big shoes to fill — we need a governor who can build on Governor Reynolds’ tremendous success and partner with President Trump to keep Iowa growing,” Hinson said.

Who will run for governor in 2026?

It has yet to be determined who might run as the Republican nominee for governor in the upcoming 2026 general election.

One Republican, Brad Sherman, a former GOP state representative, announced in February his bid for the position, but others are expected to join the race. Sherman thanked Reynolds for her service to the state in a Friday news release

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and said he was ready to become the next Republican gubernatorial candidate, with plans to announce endorsements from state legislators and county elected officials.

“I am running to serve the people of Iowa with courage, clarity, and common sense,” Sherman said in a statement. “With Governor Reynolds stepping aside, I am fully prepared to lead our party into the next chapter.”

Iowa Attorney General Brenna Bird has been put forward as a potential contender — Trump said Bird would be a good governor for the state following his victory in the 2024 Iowa caucuses.

In a statement Friday, Bird thanked Reynolds for her work as governor and for her “unwavering support” during the 2022 election, when she was first elected after defeating longtime Democratic Attorney General Tom Miller.

Bird said she and her husband “will pray and consider what this decision means for our future” following the governor's announcement, suggesting she is weighing a gubernatorial run.

The governor said in her video she believes the Iowa

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Republican Party is in a strong position heading into the next election.

“I have no doubt that Iowa and our Republican Party will remain in great hands,” Reynolds said.

Iowa GOP Chair Jeff Kaufmann said in a social media post that the governor has put Iowa in a strong position moving forward.

“Gov. Reynolds has been a generational leader for our state and party,” Kaufmann wrote. “Under her bold, conservative leadership, Iowa now sits as one of the best states in the entire country. Taxes are low, cash reserves are full, our freedoms defended, and Iowa's future has never been brighter.”

After Reynolds’ announcement, Democrats criticized the results of Reynolds and Republicans’ trifecta control at the Iowa Statehouse.

House Minority Leader Jennifer Konfrst said in a statement “Iowans are ready to turn the page on Kim Reynolds’ legacy of division and politics.”

“After a decade of failed leadership, there’s a reason Reynolds is the least popular governor in America: Iowans are worse off than they were a decade ago,” Konfrst said. “It’s

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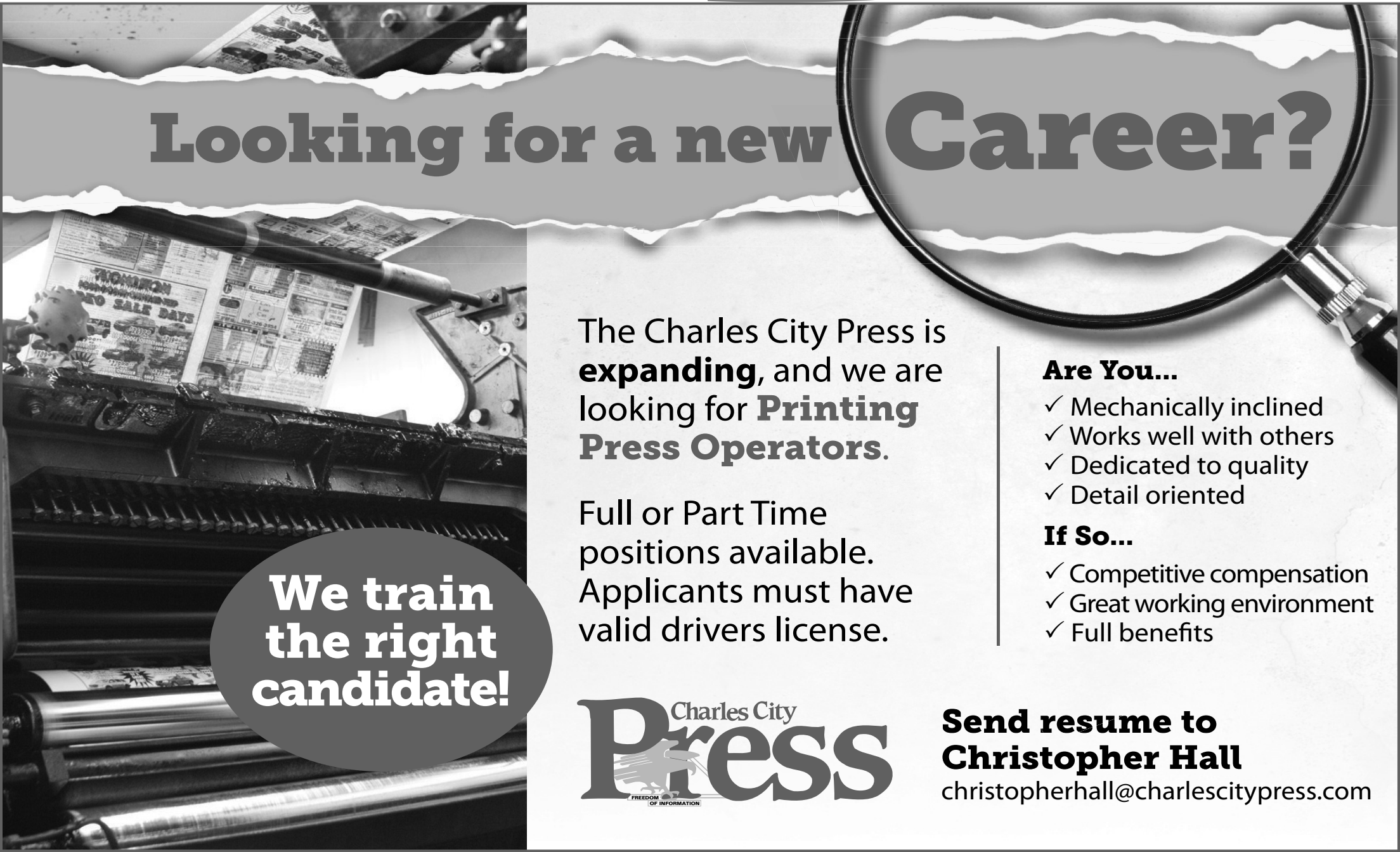
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N-P freshman Kelly Cerwinske hands off the baton to Husky junior Manuela Jimenez in the 4x200 relay at the N-P Coed on Tuesday in Nashua.

Coach: Huskies keep ‘plugging away’ on the track, in the field

GIRLS TRACK: FROM 10

our girls going out and competing with gut and heart,” said McCall. “It was truly a team effort by every single member on our team. I couldn’t be more proud of them!”

N-P was once again led by who else?

Kadence Huck.

The eight-time state title winner who will be favored to add to that championship total in a big way later this spring when she competes in the state meet in Des Moines, won the open 400 in 59.4, the 800 run in 2:22 and the 1,500 run in 4:54.

Huck cracked the Drake Relays field and hit a Blue Standard last week Thursday at the Lady Bulldog Invite held over in Hampton.

The N-P senior clocked out at 56.98, which automatically qualifies her to run down at the famed blue oval next week at Drake Stadium. She won the event at Hampton over second-place Jacey Johnston (1:00.71) of St. Ansgar.

Huck is a five-time medalist at Drake and placed third in the open 400 and 800 last year, just missing out a season ago at qualifying in the mile run (1,500). The year before as a sophomore she placed fourth in the open 400 at Drake and fifth in the 800 and 1,500.

“We’re extremely proud of Kadence for her accomplishments so far this season. She is on a mission and we are here for it. She is probably one of the most determined athletes I have ever coached,” said McCall. “Her not making the 1,500 last year and not hitting the Blue Standard early on in the season last year has been a driving force.”

N-P took one of the remaining cracks left to return to Drake on Tuesday in the sprint medley – where they were the lone Class 1A team to run amongst the “big boys” and all four classes in 2024.

That Drake Blue Standard (1:49) hasn’t been hit yet. Heavy wind affected the Husky sprint med team on Tuesday. The foursome of freshmen Ava Foelske and Kelly Cerwinske, along with junior Jalissa White and Huck managed a blue-ribbon run of 1:54.26.

At the Eastern Iowa Track and Field Festival on Saturday, hosted by Iowa City West, the Huskies fell just short as well. The relay that time was comprised of Foelske, White, junior foreign-exchange student from Spain – Manuela Jimenez – and Huck. N-P placed third in 1:52.79 behind winner Cedar Falls and runner-up Mount Vernon.

N-P ran at New Hampton on Thursday – barring postponement of that meet because of bad weather – in one last ditch effort to launch themselves down to Des Moines. Currently, as of Wednesday afternoon, N-P is listed as the 39th fastest team among all classes in the sprint med. Drake accepts the top 24 qualifying times in the event.

“We had a good run on Saturday at Iowa City,” said McCall. “We are going to drill away at those handoffs. We have time to cut and handoffs to improve, which we are aware of. We have had great splits. We just have to put them all together. It just takes one opportunity. We are going to keep trusting the process and plugging away!”

N-P junior Eden Lamborn threw a career best in the discus at Iowa City over the weekend. Her toss of 93-11 placed her 11th. Lamborn – who placed 20th in Class 1A a year ago in the shot put at state – won the event on Tuesday with a heave of 32-1.75.

“I know she won’t stop here

‘Special night’ for the Huskies at N-P Coed

BOYS TRACK: FROM 10

“It was a special night. Just continuing to do that every week, it’s gonna be a fun way to end the year. That’s for sure,” said Sudol.

It was all hands on deck for Sudol’s large Class 1A squad that bested second-place Central Springs by 20 points. N-P reeled in the title in the team standings with 139 points and got it done via efforts like senior Caleb Sinnwell, who wasn’t feeling all that well on the windy afternoon that turned into a championship run for the Huskies by nightfall.

Sinnwell toughed it out with a near PR jaunt around the oval in eight laps in the two-mile run (3,200). His time was 11:35.84, good for second place. That was eight points credited to N-P’s overall team score.

“Caleb ran really well in the two mile, so that was kind of big for us,” said Sudol. “That kind of got us going last night.”

Sudol talked about Sinnwell’s stuffed up and runny nose because of a high pollen count in the air that will obviously affect your breathing while running.

“Then the poor kid, his allergies with all that wind. His throat started closing,” said Sudol. “He had to leave before the mile.”

That meant next man in on Sudol’s 45-man squad – a whopper of a roster for a small-school class track team.

Sinnwell’s replacement was junior Brexton Bird, who fired off a career PR of his own in the 1,600 (mile) run with a time of 5:10.17. The third-place showing slapped six more points up into N-P’s corner.

“He did good,” said Sudol about Bird’s run.

N-P senior Luke Paplow, one of Sudol’s main long-distance runners, had a prior commitment with FFA, so he was not in attendance.

“For us to accomplish what we were able to accomplish without Luke (Paplow), some guys were going to have to step up. It was cool to see that,” said Sudol.

Sinnwell’s gutsy run was just one example out of many for the Huskies, who rose to the occasion and are hoping to gain plenty of traction out on the oval as the season pushes into its midway point here soon.

“There’s guys continuously stepping up all across our lineup and we’re starting to really see last night the type of team that we thought we had would take hold as we get going here,” said Sudol. “We’re excited. It



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Nashua-Plainfield junior Brexton Bird transfers the baton to Andrew Schmitt in the 4x800 relay on Tuesday.

was a good meet. Hopefully it propels us going forward.”

N-P received season-best runs from junior Jake Smith in the open 400. His winning time was 54.69, another career PR.

Husky junior Jase Hansen worked his magic in the 800 run in a time of 2:12.38 to snare a gold medal. That was 10 more points that N-P earned and it began a trend of gold medal runs.

“It showed like Jase and some of them guys how special they really are with some of their times. The hard work’s paying off,” said Sudol. “You don’t know which guy’s gonna step up on any given night is what I love about it. It seems like it’s been somebody different every meet.”

N-P won the 4x200 (season-best 1:38.52) with Navarii Williams, Eli Kalainoff, Ty Berger and Smith.

Ditto for the 4x400 and 4x800 relays – which hauled in two more blue ribbons. The Husky 4x100 relay took second and ran a season-best clip of 48.52. N-P’s d-med did the same with a second-place run of 3:51.

“I love this track team. It’s a good group of guys,” said Sudol. “If I have everybody we’re pretty solid across the board.

Kalainoff re-broke his own school record in the discus with a second-place toss of 151-11 last week Thursday at Hudson, a meet N-P finished sixth in with 52.5 points.

The wind severely limited Kalainoff’s throws on Tuesday in Nashua in the event. He still hauled in 10 more points with a first-place toss of 131-3.

Kalainoff has a goal of throwing at the Drake Relays next week but he would have had to come up with a monster toss at New Hampton on Thursday

to make that possible. That meet was the last chance for Kalainoff to qualify for the 24-man event, which takes entrants from all four classes in the state. Kalainoff currently sits as the 47th-best thrower in the state in the discus as of Thursday afternoon.

N-P junior Landon Foelske ran a career PR in the 400 hurdles in 1:01.2, which placed him second. Foelske’s season-best effort in the 110 hurdles saw him place fourth in 17.51.

Foelske, Devon Blanchard, Clayden Gerholdt and Tyler Zimmer ran a season-best time in the shuttle hurdle in 1:07.48 at Hudson. That clip saw those Huskies record the fifth-fastest time in the event.

Foelske, Williams, Smith and Hansen ran another season-best in the sprint medley at Hudson in 1:42.7. That slotted the Huskies in seventh place.

The last meet won by the Huskies came in the 2023 district meet – the first time in school history that’s happened. N-P won four meets that year, including that state-qualifying district meet.

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Sprint medley - 7. Landon Foelske, Navarii Williams, Jake Smith, Jase Hansen 1:42.7, 13. Miles Carpenter, Emerson Richards, Carson Mundorf, Lucas Sinnwell 1:54.26.

3,200 run - 5. Luke Paplow 11:38.86, 6. Caleb Sinnwell 11:53.2.

4x800 - 3. Braeden Mitchell, Brexton Bird, Andrew Schmitt, Avery Mueller 9:16.1.

Shuttle hurdle - 5. Foelske, Devon Blanchard, Clayden Gerholdt, Tyler Zimmer 1:07.48, 8. Jagger White, Chris Niedert, Schmitt, Mitchell 1:19.92.

100 dash - 14. Kamden Chyma 12.34, 18. Ty Berger 12.6.

Distance medley - 3. Williams, Eli Kalainoff, Blanchard, Smith 3:55.9.

400 dash - 10. Bird 1:01.58, 19. L. Sinnwell 1:05.64.

4x200 - 6. Williams, Kalainoff, Blanchard, Smith 1:40.89, 15. Chyma, Quintyn Boehmer, Cal Levi, James Corathers 1:50.37.

110 hurdles - 11. Gerholdt 18.73,

16. Niedert 20.93.

800 run - 8. Mitchell 2:21.28, 9. Connor Sullivan 2:22.77.

200 dash - 16. Berger 25.53, 20. Carpenter 27.04.

400 hurdles - 7. Foelske 1:02.37,

13. Niedert 1:10.19.

1,600 run - 5. Paplow 5:28.55, 11. Mueller 5:56.6.

4x100 - 9. Williams, Zimmer, Chyma, Kalainoff 48.51, 14. White, Mundorf, Richards, Corathers 51.96.

4x400 - 4. Smith, Zeke Kalainoff, Blanchard, Hansen 3:43.61, 15. Ben Percy, Bird, Sullivan, Nick Hulbert 4:40.56.

High jump - 6. Z. Kalainoff 5-6, 7. Schmitt 5-4.

Long jump - 9. Foelske 17-3.5, 12. Boehmer 15-10.25.

Discus - 2. E. Kalainoff 151-11,

16. Dawson Becker 96-2, 17. Chyma 95-10, 24. Karson Chyma 87-1.

Shot put - 17. Jaxon McDonald 37.5, 20. Zander Lentz 36-3, 27. Becker 32-11.75, 35. Brady Lensing 25-2.5.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD COED TEAM SCORES

Nashua-Plainfield 139, Central Springs 119, Janesville 70, Northwood-Kensett 64, Dunkerton 58, Riceville 45, Clarksville 32, Turkey Valley 32, West Central 21.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS

100 dash - 7. Kam. Chyma 12.63,

13. Carpenter 13.41.

110 hurdles - 4. Foelske 17.51, 6. Niedert 21.0.

200 dash - 8. Berger 26.03, 10. Carpenter 27.02.

400 dash - 1. Smith 54.69, 8. Gerholdt 1:00.74.

400 hurdles - 2. Foelske 1:01.2, 6. Schmitt 1:05.57.

800 run - 1. Hansen 2:12.38, 3. Mitchell 2:14.66.

1,600 run - 3. Bird 5:10.17, 5. Mueller 5:18.21.

3,200 run - 2. C. Sinnwell 11:35.84,

6. Percy 13:36.96.

Discus - 1. E. Kalainoff 131-3, 9. Becker 89-1.

High jump - 3. Schmitt 5-4, 4. Z. Kalainoff 5-4.

Long jump - 7. Boehmer 16-6.25,

11. L. Sinnwell 14-6.

Shot put - 7. Lentz 34-10.25, 10. Michael Stroud 30-11.75.

Shuttle hurdle - 2. Foelske, Gerholdt, Blanchard, Zimmer 1:07.91,

3. White, Niedert, Mitchell, Schmitt 1:17.63.

Sprint medley - 2. Foelske, Zimmer, Williams, Smith 1:43.76.

Distance medley - 2. Williams, E. Kalainoff, Z. Kalainoff, Hansen 3:51.03.

4x100 - 2. Williams, Zimmer, Kam. Chyma, E. Kalainoff 48.52,

8. Boehmer, Mundorf, Richards, Corathers 53.01.

4x200 - 1. Williams, E. Kalainoff, Berger, Smith 1:38.52, 7. Boehmer, Mundorf, Richards, Corathers 1:46.46.

4x400 - 1. Smith, Z. Kalainoff, Blanchard, Hansen 3:40.46.

4x800 - 1. Mitchell, Bird, Schmitt, Mueller 9:14.94, 6. Stroud, Eli Cerwinske, Mundorf, Hulbert 11:49.11.

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AFE CRANE / HDM LLC, ANNUAL CRANE INSPECTIONS, ##& JIB SEC RD.....	1637.00
AG VANTAGE FS INC , DIESEL FUEL NASHUA SHOP & LP AV SHOP SEC RD.....	1348.75
AIRGAS, INC., MEDICAL SUPPLIES- EMS.....	257.63
ALLIANT ENERGY/ IPL, CO PARKS ELECTRIC MARCH 25.....	173.48
ALTA VISTA, CITY OF, AV SHOP UTILITIES SEC RD.....	87.62
ANDERSON, BRANNON, REIMBURSEMENT- MP EQUIP. EMS.....	333.97
ANGELL ELECTRIC INC, FLORECENT LAMPS- GENERAL SVC.....	63.64
AUDITOR OF STATE, AUDITING-CLERICAL SERVICES 2024 AUDIT.....	625.00
AUTO VALUE OF NEW HAMPTON, SHOVELS - SHERIFF.....	33.98
BLACK HAWK COUNTY, COURT ADMIN OFFICE SPACE ALLOCATION - FY 2025.....	830.20
BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT COMPANY, FILTERS & PARTS #61 SEC RD.....	1156.93
BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS INC, WINTER SAND CONTRACT SEC RD.....	5214.21
BUTLER CO REC, TPNC GEOTHERMAL & ELECTRIC.....	1023.89
BUTLER COUNTY RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, OLD LANDFILL ELECTRICITY- CONSERVATION.....	63.48
BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO., PHONE/INTERNET - SR.BOS.AUD.CH.TR/DR-MR.PH.HTG.REC.VA 1264.83	1264.83
CALEB CIVARELLI, UNIFORM REIMB- CONSV.....	119.20
CHICKASAW CO SHERIFF, POSTAGE-SHERIFF.....	234.00
CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, CIVIL NUMBER 25-000019 CASE NUMBER SCSC00820.....	230.43
CINTAS CORPORATION #762, UNIFORMS/JANITORIAL SUPPLIES SEC RD.....	2567.90
CRAYNE,MATT.LODGING- SPRING IAN - CONSERVATION.....	221.40
CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING, WATER / COOLER RENT SEC RD,JAIL.AUD.TREAS.CA.....	183.57
DONALD W KOSHATKA, REPAIR & PARTS-SKID CONSV.....	327.82
DUBUQUE COUNTY AUDITOR, OFFICE/ROOM RENT & EXPENSES-DUBUQUE CO 2025.....	176.96
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC, TIRES SEC RD.....	4438.87
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES,	

LODGING & CABLES, RESTS, ARROWS FOR NASP- CONSV.....	1211.28
EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING, WATER ANALYSIS - CONSERVATION.....	50.00
FAREWAY STORES INC, SODA INVENTORY - COURT-HOUSE,SHERIFF/JAIL.....	223.68
FARMERS WIN COOPERATIVE, DIESEL FUEL F'BURG SHOP -SEC RD-SHERIFF.....	2963.45
FARMLAND HARDWARE, GENERAL SUPPLIES SEC RD.....	19.90
FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE, GAS/ FUEL - SHERIFF/JAIL.PH.GS.- CONSV.....	2286.21
FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF, F'BURG SHOP UTILITIES SEC RD.....	110.58
GARDINER + CO PC, BALANCE OF 2024 AUDIT.....	33280.00
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GOLDSTAR PRODUCTS INC, 4 SEASONS GUARD SEC RD.....	1203.00
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HAWKINS INC, WATER CHLORINATION - HERITAGE.....	278.71
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IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY IOWA LTAP, 2025 MOTOR GRADER TRAINING 3 EMPLOYEES SEC RD.....	575.00
ISACA, SUMMER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION- SHEILA SHEKLETON.....	250.00
V21 DUST CONTROL LLC, 2 APPLICATIONS OF DUST CONTROL TPNC & AL.....	1920.00
JENDRO INC, GARBAGE/ RECYCLING- PH.GS.SHERIFF/JAIL.LEMC.HERITAGE.CONSV.....	3229.69
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JURGENSEN, NICKOLAS, UNIFORM REIMBURSEMENT- EMS.....	39.99

KWIK TRIP INC, FUELS/GASON-LINE-SHERIFF,CONSERV.- JAIL.EMS.....	4869.00
LARRY'S SALES & SERVICE, CHAINSAW COVER SEC RD.....	30.00
LAWLER, CITY OF, LAWLER SHOP QTR UTILITIES SEC RD.....	69.00
LAWSON PRODUCTS INC, ELECTRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES SEC RD.....	622.29
LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING LLC, COPIER LEASE LANIER C2500 SEC RD.....	93.84
LENSING, ROMAN C., MEAL/MILEAGE REIMB R.LENSING SEC RD.....	229.86
LESSIN SUPPLY COMPANY, WELDING SUP & PARTS #258 SEC RD.....	1036.63
LS SUPPLY & RENTAL INC, LUMBER FOR NEW SHELTER TPNC.....	13.30
MAIL SERVICES LLC, POSTAGE - TREASURER.....	432.36
MAINSTAY SYSTEMS OF IOWA LLC, NCIC MONTHLY MAINT, FEE- SHERIFF.....	237.00
MICK GAGE PLUMBING & HEATING, INC, REPAIRS/MATERIALS HERITAGE WATER DAMAGE.....	9548.78
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO, ELECTRICITY - MARCH 2025- 911.....	102.76
MIENERGY COOPERATIVE, CO PARKS ELECTRICITY MARCH.....	340.30
MITKO LLC, PARTS #86 SEC RD.....	64.84
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC, 2 MOTOROLA APX8000EX RADIOS- EMA.....	11374.00
NASHUA REPORTER, PUBLICATIONS, MIN, CLAIMS, PROP TAX LEVY, PUB NTC.....	916.09
NEW HAMPTON, CITY OF, NH SHOP UTILITIES SEC RD.....	1170.77
NEW HORIZONS-CHAMBER, MARCH 25 TOURISM CON-TRACT.....	1100.00
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NORTHEAST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, TRAINING- EMS.....	70.00
NUSS TRUCK GROUP, PARTS #32 & #25 SEC RD.....	731.14
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ON TRACK SIGNS, CONSV SIGNS.....	97.50
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PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL INC, RODENT CONTROL LANDFILL & TPNC.....	101.53
POWER PLAN, PARTS #61 SEC RD.....	186.12
QUILL LLC, OFFICE SUPPLIES - SHERIFF.....	56.58
RANAE CAREY, MEAL/MILEAGE MEETINGS REIMBRUSE R CAREY SEC RD.....	493.12
RAPID PRINTERS/ OFFICE WORLD, OFFICE & CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES/ SHERIFF,TREASURER.- CONSV.....	750.09
RILEY'S INC, DP/OFFICE SUPP - GS,DP,TREAS.,SHERIFF.- BOS.AUD.GS.....	1765.48
SADLER POWER TRAIN INC, PARTS #33-08 & #23 SEC RD.....	3312.45
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SECTOR LLC, 2019 RAM TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE - SHERIFF.....	5900.96
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TRI-STATE SHRED INC, SHREDDING SVC- PH.GS.....	234.74
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VISA, PARTS,TOOLS, JAN SUP, WELD SUP, LODGING SEC RD.....	2268.05
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WAYNE'S TRUCK EQUIP & PART INC, PARTS & OUTSIDE REPAIRS SEC RD.....	123.34
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WINDSTREAM CORPORATION, TELEPHONE/INTERNET- MARCH 2025 911.....	556.96
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WOOD, HOWARD W, ANNUAL 8 HR MSHA REFRESHER SEC RD.....	997.00
ZIEGLER INC, TOOLS, FILTERS, OUTSIDE REPAIR, PARTS SEC RD.....	9241.19
ZIP'S OUTFITTERS, CONSV CAPS.....	262.92
TOTAL.....	157108.84

Nashua-Plainfield trapshooters get a chance to shoot under the lights

By KELLY TERPSTRA
Of the Reporter

The Nashua-Plainfield trapshooting team shot under the lights last week in what Charles City/Nashua-Plainfield/RRRMR head coach Mike Oleson calls “Friday Night Lights.”

While visiting squad New Hampton took home the traveling trophy in that head-to-head area matchup, N-P continued to produce respectable scores for this early in the season.

In the competition on Friday night at the Nashua Fish & Game Club, New Hampton Red took home top honors with a 222. Nashua-Plainfield’s top squad – comprised of all freshmen – finished third with a 199.

Husky freshman Lane Barlow led the pack for N-P with 44. Nic Brase, a Husky senior, shot with Charles City’s No. 1 squad and wound up with a 43.

CC/NP/RRMR traveled to the Turkey Valley-Sumner-Fredericksburg Invite on Saturday over in Jackson Junction and produced some other good scores.

Barlow continued his stellar shooting with a 46, followed by Brase, who



Kelly Terpstra/Reporter

Nashua-Plainfield’s Corbin Johnson fires a shot during a recent trapshooting meet.

fired a 45. N-P freshman Maverick Sinnwell knocked down 44 out of a potential 50 clay targets he shot at.

N-P competed again on Tuesday at the Sportsman’s Club Boyd in Fredericksburg versus New Hampton. The five N-P freshmen came up with a 218 round and were once again led by Barlow’s 47.

Tate Demro was on-point with his

target shooting as he finished with a 45. Sinnwell shot a 44, followed by Hunter Brase and Corbin Johnson, who each racked up scores of 41.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11
TOP-THREE SQUADS
NH Red 222, NH Red (Intermediate) 220, NP1 199.

TOP-THREE BOYS
Jakob Schwickerath (NH Int.) 48, Jackson

Kellogg (NH) 47, Jake Schwickerath (NH) 47, Six tied with 45.

TOP-THREE GIRLS
Kinley Roths (CC) 47, Tinlie Vsetecka (NH Int.) 44, Ali Blickenderfer (CC) 42.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS
NP1 (199) - Lane Barlow 44, Hunter Brase 38, Corbin Johnson 36, Maverick Sinnwell 42, Tate Demro 39.

CC1 (191) - Blickenderfer 42, Hunter Boehmer 28, Cole Jones 45, Carson Linde

33, Nic Brase 43.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 TV-SF INVITE
TOP-THREE SQUADS
Cresco Area Clay Crushers 1 228, TV-SF Red 225, Northeast Iowa Shooting Club 1 218.

TOP-THREE BOYS
Ethan Tlusty (CACC) 48, Hunter Nelson (TVSF) 48, Jonah Orvis (TVSF) 48, Kail Schmelzer (CACC) 48, Ty Moudry (TVSF) (48), Ben Jackson (CACC) 47, Barlow (NP) 46, Memphis Miller (NEIASC) 46.

TOP-THREE GIRLS
Aleah Eichenberger (NH) 46, Harley Fisher (CACC) 46, Roths (CC) 45, Morgan McMurphy (CC) 44.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS
NP1 (205) - Barlow 46, H. Brase 37, Johnson 37, Sinnwell 44, Demro 41.

CC1 (201) - Blickenderfer 41, Boehmer 35, Jones 44, Schmitt 36, N. Brase 45.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15 TOP-THREE SQUADS
NP1 218, NH Gold 102.

TOP-THREE BOYS
Barlow (NP) 47, Parker Deardeuff (CC) 46, Jones (CC) 45, Kellogg (NH) 45, Demro (NP) 45.

TOP-THREE GIRLS
Blickenderfer (CC) 46, Karla Pickar (NH) 44, Roths (CC) 44, Abby Groesbeck (CC) 38, Harper Humpal (NH) 38.

NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS
NP (218) - Barlow 47, H. Brase 41, Johnson 41, Sinnwell 44, Demro 45.

Huskies look to turn weaknesses into strengths on golf course

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broken 200 in a nine-hole meet, although they’ve gone below 200 over nine holes during 18-hole meets during her career.

“That’s really encouraging,” she said. “With weather and new courses, there’s only room to get better.”

And although the Huskies didn’t break 200 earlier this week, they did tie Mason City Newman for the low team score in the home opener on Monday and ran away to an easy victory in a quadrangular on Tuesday.

Paige Franzen won medalist honors Monday with a 46 as the Huskies posted a 209 in challenging conditions. McCain added a 54 and Ava Kirk had a 61 to round out the scorers for the Huskies.

On Tuesday, the Huskies finished with a 203, beating runner-up Clarksville by 52 strokes for the team title in a meet that also included Dunkerton and Tripoli.

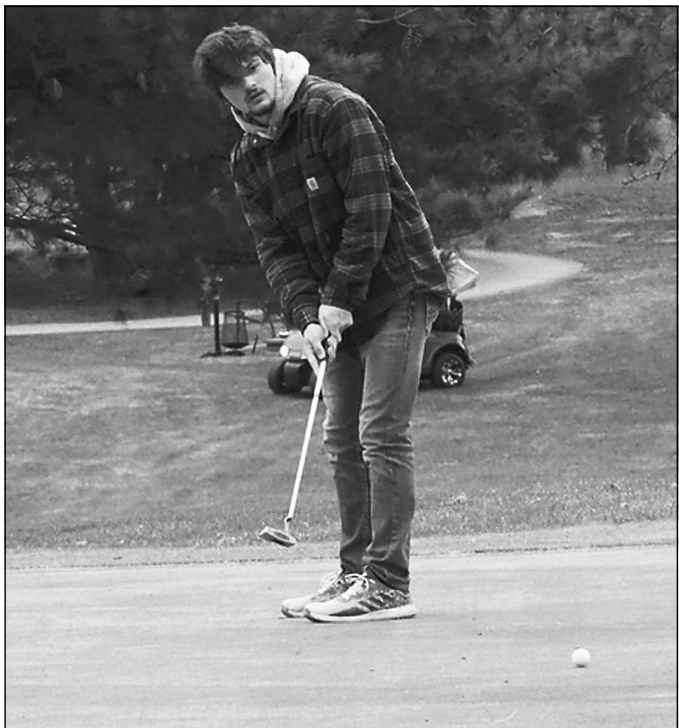
Paige Franzen finished with a 42 to win medalist honors by seven strokes over Faith Franzen while McCain chipped away to post her low score of the season with a 52.

“I think we have a lot of potential. We have more room to grow,” said Faith Franzen. “We just need to focus on what we need to work on, but I think scores are going to just keep getting lower.”

The Nashua-Plainfield boys, meanwhile, finished second in all three of its meets.

The Huskies opened the season with a 180 at St. Ansgar and then finished with a 183 on Monday and a 188 on Tuesday.

In last Friday’s season opener, Dawson Glaser led Nashua-Plainfield with a 40, Cal Levi had a 46 and William Lindeland, Devon Blanchard and Tyler Zimmer all finished with 47s.



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N-P’s Ava Kirk (left) chips on to the green and Husky Tyler Zimmer rolls a putt toward the pin on Monday at the Nashua Town & Country Club against TIC East rivals Osage and Mason City Newman.

Blanchard was the low Husky on Monday with a 43 while Glaser had a 44 and Levi and Zimmer both had 49s. On Tuesday, the Huskies got 44s from Glaser and Lindeland while Kolbie Vance had a 47 and Levin finished with a 53.

“It’s a consistency thing with them,” said Trost. “That’s what we’re striving to do – striving to get better and getting consistent.”

With several Huskies competing in both track and golf, the lineup is one that is in constant flux, but the key to improvement, Trost said, is for his players to ask themselves the “tough” questions.

“I always talk about it early in the year, you’ve got to be brutally honest with yourself,” said the N-P head coach. “What do I need to work on? What am I weak at? Then you need to work to make that less of a weakness or even get to be

where it’s a strength of yours.”

FRIDAY GIRLS TRIANGULAR AT ST. ANSGAR
Nashua-Plainfield 199, St. Ansgar 220, Rockford no team score.
Medalist: Faith Franzen (NP) 41.
Nashua-Plainfield scores: F. Franzen 41, Paige Franzen 47, Paisley McCain 55, Elayna O’Neill 56, Ava Kirk 61, Natalie Feldman 67.

FRIDAY BOYS TRIANGULAR AT ST. ANSGAR
St. Ansgar 164, Nashua-Plainfield 180, Rockford 190.
Medalist: Hudson Sparrow (SA) 38.
Nashua-Plainfield scores: Dawson Glaser 40, Cal Levi 46, William Lindeland 47, Devon Blanchard 47, Tyler Zimmer 47, Ethan Franzen 50.

JV scores: Kolbie Vance 47, Jagger White 51, Kaden McMichael 55.

MONDAY GIRLS TRIANGULAR AT NASHUA
Nashua-Plainfield 209, Mason City Newman 209, Osage 242.
Medalist: P. Franzen (NP) 46.
Nashua-Plainfield scores: P. Franzen 46, F. Franzen 48, McCain 54, Kirk 61, Feldman 67.

MONDAY BOYS TRIANGULAR AT NASHUA
Osage 155, Nashua-Plainfield 183, Mason City Newman 186.
Medalists: Heath Voigt (O), Ty Voigt (O) 38.
Nashua-Plainfield scores: Blanchard 43, Glaser 44, Lindeland 47, Levi 49, Zimmer 49, Vance 50.
JV scores: White 48, Franzen 50.

TUESDAY GIRLS QUADRANGULAR AT NASHUA
Nashua-Plainfield 203, Clarksville 255, Dunkerton and Tripoli no team scores.
Medalist: P. Franzen (NP) 42.
Nashua-Plainfield scores: P. Franzen 42, F. Franzen 49, McCain 52, Kirk 60, Addison Drewelow 76.

TUESDAY BOYS QUADRANGULAR AT NASHUA
Tripoli 176, Nashua-Plainfield 188, Clarksville 213, Dunkerton no team score.
Medalists: Mason Michels (D) and Drew Urbanek (T) 43.
Nashua-Plainfield scores: Glaser 44, Lindeland 44, Vance 47, Levi 53, Franzen 55, McMichael 57.
JV score: Lincoln Huck 59.

On Tap for Our N-P Huskies

MONDAY
Girls track at New Hampton Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY
Golf vs. Central Springs and North Butler, Nashua Town and Country Club, 4:15 p.m.

Boys track at Comet Relays, Charles City, 5 p.m.



THURSDAY
Track at Drake Relays, if qualified, Des Moines.
Golf vs. Central Springs and Northwood-Kensett, Pioneer Town and Country Club, Manly, 4:15 p.m.

Girls track at Nashua-Plainfield Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25
Track at Drake Relays, if qualified, Des Moines.
Girls golf vs. Crestwood, Grundy Center and North Butler, Nashua Town and Country Club, 4:15 p.m.

Boys track at North Butler Bearcat Relays, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26
Track at Drake Relays, if qualified, Des Moines.

MONDAY, APRIL 28
Golf vs. Osage and West Fork, Ridge Stone Golf Club, Sheffield, 4:15 p.m.

Track at Sumner-Fredericksburg Coed Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

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Community Foundation awards more than \$144,000 to county organizations

The Chickasaw County Community Foundation (CCCF) held its 2025 grant awards celebration at the New Hampton Community Center on Tuesday and announced the distribution of \$144,061.48 to 19 projects of organizations serving Chickasaw County through its 2025 grant cycle.

Grant recipient, organization, project the grant will fund, and grant amount is listed below by funding area.

Program Area: Arts & Culture

- Carnegie Cultural Center - Cultural Connections at the Carnegie - \$2,000
- Great Plays Inc - Facility Improvements - \$2,622.38

Program Area: Community Betterment

- Chickasaw County EMA - Rescue Operations Equipment - \$10,000
- Chickasaw Township Fire District - Vehicle Extraction Equipment - \$9,985
- City of Alta Vista - Fire Department - Air Supply System - \$10,000
- City of Nashua - Library - Water Bottle Filling Station - \$1,684.13
- City of New Hampton - Park & Recreation - Keeping it Cool at the Pool - \$10,000
- City of North Washington - Fire Department - Bunker (Turnout) Gear - \$5,000
- Fredericksburg Firefighter Assoc. - Fire Gear Dryer - \$8,654.82
- Lawler Firefighters Foundation - Communication Equipment - \$10,000
- Nashua Volunteer Firefighters Association - Radio Communication - \$9,203
- New Hampton Firefighters' Association - Upgrade Equipment - \$5,000
- Program Area: Education & Youth Development
- Fun in the Sun Daycare and Preschool - Building and Equipment Update - \$7,947.20
- Turkey Valley School District - SmartStart: Empowering Young Learners - \$10,000

Program Area: Environment & Animal Welfare

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Here's to all heroes make it home safely

HEROES: FROM 9

field — from doctors to nurses to paramedics to EMTs who work long hours helping people return to health. There are the hospice workers who make someone's last days as comfortable as possible and help families deal with an impending death. There are the funeral home directors who take that call in the middle of the night to go pick up a body and then provide comfort and care to the families who have lost that person that meant the most to them.

Today, this column is supposed to be about the firemen who run into burning buildings while the occupants flee, but as I wrote that last paragraph, I realized that there are heroes all around us.

They're not the athletes or the movie stars that some of us hold in such high esteem; they're the folks in that paragraph who help us get through this thing called life.

Over the years, I've come to know Johnson as the friendly barber whose shop is not only a place I can get a great haircut but it's also the place I can have a lively conversation — either with him or the person sitting in the barber chair as I wait my turn to get rid of the "shag" that is my hair (or at least what's left of it).

But as I finish this piece off, I realize he's a hero. So are the rest of the firefighters in his department and those



departments that dot the area. So, too, are the cops, the nurses, the EMS folks and the rest I mentioned earlier in this column.

So, to all of you, thank you for everything you do, and no matter what call you're responding to, may you all make it home safely to the folks who love and cherish you.

Dry conditions, wind add up to high fire danger

DANGER: FROM 9

obvious, I know, but it's always good to get that reminder out there. People know it, but sometimes, they think I can burn, I'll keep a close eye on it, it won't happen to me."

Johnson said the Nashua Fire Department usually averages about 50 calls a year, but it's outpacing that standard so far this year. He said firefighters have responded to 25 calls this year.

"This is one area we'd like to be below average," he said with a laugh, "but we've been pretty busy with grass fires lately. It's dry, it's windy. That's not a great combination when you're talking about fire."

What would help obviously is for winds to die down and for a nice "soaker" to hit the area. The good news rain was forecast for the area Thursday night into this morning and another round of showers are forecast for Easter afternoon and evening.

"We'll take it," Johnson said, "but we're not the only ones, either. I think everyone will take a little rain right now. All we're asking right now is for people to be careful and make sure conditions are good for burning."

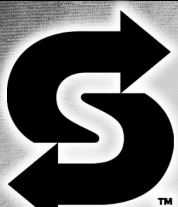
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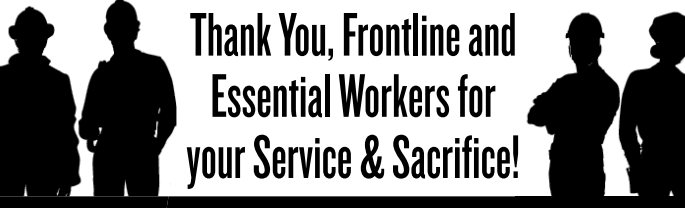




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Nashua firefighters battle a barn blaze between Nashua and Charles City this past February.

Thankful for the heroes among us

Tom Johnson is, in a word, grateful when it comes to the members of the Nashua Fire Department.

Start with the fact that the department has 29 members, an unheard of number for most cities that are Nashua's size. Throw in the fact that they are a mix of young and old — well, maybe we should go with not so young. And end with the fact that they are dedicated to serving their community and helping people.

That, my friends, is a trifecta.

And Fire Chief Johnson would agree.

"I'm very grateful, very thankful, that

we have the numbers we have," he said. "I think it says a lot about the people of Nashua and our area. They want to serve, they want to help out when and where they can."

And it's not just the firefighters Johnson leads, either.

There are the employers who allow firefighters to up and leave at a moment's notice to go help those in need. There are also the family members — the spouses, the kids, the parents — who accept that their firefighter might miss a birthday party or a family gathering because someone needs help.

"It's one of the things we talk with applicants about," Johnson said. "You know, we ask, 'Is our employer OK with this? Is your family OK with this?' You can't be a volunteer fireman unless you have that support. You can try, but it doesn't work out if the family, the employer aren't on board, too."

Technically, one could say, they're not

volunteers; after all, the city of Nashua pays firefighters an annual stipend of \$200. That covers the fire calls, the fire meetings, the training. Considering that the state requires firefighters to take part in 24 hours of training a year and that the Nashua Fire Department responded to 62 fire calls a year, that 200 bucks isn't even close to minimum wage.

But then again, ask Johnson, firefighters in small towns like Nashua obviously aren't in it for the money. So why do they do it?

"Like I said, they want to help people," Johnson said. "That's really it."

The fact is there are plenty of heroes among us.

There are the law enforcement officers who never know if this is going to be the traffic stop that goes horribly awry. There are the folks in the health-care

SEE HEROES, 8

Windy and dry means area fire danger is high

Nashua fire chief reminds residents to check weather conditions before going on with their 'routines'

By BOB FENSKE
Of the Reporter

If fire danger could be represented by a math equation, it might look something like this: Dry conditions + wind = High.

Just ask Nashua Fire Chief Tom Johnson and his fellow firefighters in and around Chickasaw County, who at times this spring have been hopping because of the number of grass fires that have afflicted Northeast Iowa.

Johnson said that his department has been relatively busy in recent weeks, and he's asking area residents to use a little common sense before

they strike a match to do a little burning.

"I get it, I really do, people get into a routine. They're thinking, 'I always burn garbage on this day,' and so they go out there with good intentions," he said, "but when the wind's blowing 30 [miles per hour], sometimes it doesn't matter how careful you are. All it takes is one gust and you've got a problem."

New Hampton Fire Chief Toby Schwickerath agreed.

"Dry and windy is not exactly a good combination," he said earlier this week. "That's

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Nashua-Plainfield's Faith Franzen (above) tries to "curl" in a putt while the Huskies' Devon Blanchard (below) blasts a tee shot during a triangular played at the Nashua Town and County Club on Monday.

Franzens lead N-P girls to three wins on the golf course

Faith Franzen fires career-low 41, boys seek consistency but have bright spots

By Bob Fenske
and Kelly Terpstra
Of the Reporter

If Nashua-Plainfield's golfers learned anything during a busy stretch that opened the 2025 season, it is this: The wind can't kill them.

"Everybody would enjoy playing when it's 75 and no wind," Nashua-Plainfield coach Jeff Trost said after the Huskies played their home opener on Monday at the Nashua Town and Country Club. "You're not going to get that here. ... We're in the highest spot in town, right here."

Still, it was a pretty decent — albeit hectic — start to the season for the Huskies, who played their first meet last Friday at Acorn Park Golf Course in St. Ansgar and then played home meets Monday and Tuesday in Nashua.

The girls won the team race in all three meets and had the individual medalist in all three as well while the boys, although struggling with consistency, had their bright spots as well.

The best news of all, though, was that the Huskies were playing competitive golf after they had their season opener — a triangular in Charles City — called off on Monday, April 7, due to bad weather.

Granted, it wasn't always easy. Take Monday's meet, for example. Not only was the wind — gust routinely reached more than 30 miles per hour — but golfers also endured, as some of the players noted, "sideways rain" for the final 15 to 20 minutes of the meet.

"It was tough. I admit that,"

Trost said. "It wasn't easy golf. That expectation, you got to modify that kind of stuff. You have to lower that a little bit just because weather conditions make a big difference."

But let's start with Friday's meet at Acorn Park Golf Course, which was uncharted territory for the Huskies, who haven't played on the quaint little course since 2021 — i.e., none of this year's seniors had ever played.

The Franzen second cousins — Paige and Faith, the unquestioned leaders of the Huskies — had differing thoughts on Acorn Park. Faith loved it; Paige not so much.

"I really liked the course. It's pretty easy to get on the par 4's. We have long par 4's here," said Faith Franzen, who fired a career-low 41 to win medalist honors. "I had a lot of up and downs. It was just a good course setup for me. I didn't really have to use the pick, clean and place at all."

"Personally, I didn't love it," said Paige Franzen, who finished with a 46. "I don't think it's set up for big hitters. It's really difficult. It's well-manicured, though. I do appreciate that."

Paisley McCain finished with a 55 while Elayna O'Neill had a 56 to round out the counting scores for the Huskies.

Nashua-Plainfield won the meet with a 199, good for a 21-shot victory over the second-play host Saints, and Paige Franzen said she thought that was the first time in her career that the Huskies have

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield's Jase Hansen (above) runs stride for stride with Central Springs' Gavin Ryner in the distance medley while the Huskies' Jagger White (below) runs a leg of the shuttle hurdle relay during Tuesday's home coed meet.

Huskies double up on the titles

N-P boys use depth to win team crown at home

By Kelly Terpstra
Of the Reporter

Controlled burn — probably not. If one keeps choppin' wood, eventually you're gonna have one big bright and incandescent fire if you can catch a spark.

What started as a glowing ember this spring may well turn into a full-on blaze by the time this season is over for Chase Sudol and Husky boys track team.

These Huskies are heating up.

Need proof?

N-P won its first meet since 2023 with a takedown of its home coed invite this past Tuesday at Roger Klingman Track.

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Kelly Terpstra/Reporter
Nashua-Plainfield's Jalissa White (left) gets out of the blocks in the 100 while teammate Kadence Huck (above) cruises to victory in the 400 at Tuesday's coed meet.

N-P girls capitalize on the moment to claim first team title in three years

By Kelly Terpstra
Of the Reporter

It turned out to be a pretty good day at Roger Klingman Track in Nashua on Tuesday evening.

With a brisk wind howling to start the festivities at Nashua-Plainfield's home oval, fans in attendance at the N-P Coed Invite may have thought Iowa's brutal spring weather conditions that have tormented the state recently would continue into the evening as dusk settled in.

They did not, as that wind turned into a cool breeze with championship undertones afloat.

These Huskies sensed the moment and capitalized on a chance to claim victory at one of its three home meets this spring.

The two-time defending state runners-up in Class 1A seized the opportunity.

Not since the Huskies won it all back in 2022 had Amber McCall and her talented N-P girls track and field squad brought home the top trophy at a meet.

That was until Tuesday night.

The Huskies won their first meet since that storied run three years ago to claim N-P's first girls state title in any sport.

It was a sight to behold.

All across the board McCall received spirited contributions from her roster — Husky senior Amberley Gerholdt in the 3,000 run, three throwers ran the

4x800, etc., etc., etc.

"It took a full lineup," said McCall. "We had three individuals gone for FFA and a runner who was unable to run last night, which made us get creative. That is just a glimpse into the night. I could go on and on and talk about last night."

Now this rise to the top of the team standings in the

10-team field won't go down as monumental or super heroic — N-P (78) topped second-place Riceville by 26 points.

But it was sure gutsy and gritty — key components to a formula that could give N-P an opportunity to claim its second state title in the small-school class next month.

N-P hadn't won a regular

season meet since that championship season in 2022.

McCall talked about perhaps the most important element of any champion — their heart.

"It was amazing and a lot of fun! We had so many PRs and season-bests, even with the wind — which speaks a lot for

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