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Superintendent to retire at end of school year

Top administrator at New Hampton, Turkey Valley says he's grateful for school boards, staff members and communities

By Bob Fenske
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Jay Jurrens wanted to give his two school boards as much time as possible to find his replacement, which is why the New Hampton and Turkey Valley superintendent departed from the "norm" and announced Monday that he will retire at the end of the 2024-25 school year.

FULL TEXT OF SUPERINTENDENT'S RETIREMENT LETTER.

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"With most superintendents, they'll make an announcement in December," Jurrens told New Hampton School Board members during their regular meeting Monday night, "but hopeful-

ly, letting you know now gives you a chance to get the word out there and get the best possible candidate."

Jurrens, who took over as New Hampton's superintendent on July 1, 2012, said that the decision to retire was not an easy one, but, in his resignation letter to both school boards, he wrote "I have decided that it's time for me to step down and enjoy a new chapter in my life."

He wrote that he was filled with "immense gratitude for the opportunity to work alongside such outstanding boards, dedicated staff members and supportive communities."

Five years after arriving in New Hampton, he became a "shared superintendent," and he is in his eighth year serving as the top administrator at

Turkey Valley.

New Hampton School Board member Tim Denner said that Jurrens' retirement would be a loss to both

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Members of the Plum Creek Art Center's Board of Directors take a break from planning the center's upcoming 10th anniversary party that will be held this coming Sunday in Fredericksburg.

ALL FOR THE LOVE OF ART

PLUM CREEK ART CENTER/CONNIE MOHR GALLERY READY TO THROW A BIRTHDAY PARTY ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

By Bob Fenske
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Long before the Plum Creek Art Center/Connie Mohr Gallery opened in downtown Fredericksburg, the little Chickasaw County town had built itself a nice little artsy reputation.

There were the "painter ladies" — the above-mentioned Mohr, Idell Tessmer, Betty

Volker and Marian Sowers — who met often for a couple of decades, beginning in the 1970s, and included other artists in the area to paint together. Many of those paintings were sold and still grace local homes.

Still, for years, there was no art gallery in the town of about a thousand souls; then again, how many towns Fredericksburg's size have one?

That certainly didn't deter the art lovers,

and this Sunday, they will gather from 2 to 4 p.m. at 115 W. Main St. to celebrate the 10th anniversary of what once was just a dream but turned into a reality thanks to years of work and planning.

"I think it was 2005 or so when we started brainstorming about possible plans," said Keith Kreun said, "and I remember talking with

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For this artist, Lego bricks make for great stress reliever

20-year-old's unique naval ships take center stage at the Carnegie

By Bob Fenske
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Sam Singewald's "stress ball" is actually a bunch of Lego bricks.

What he does with his stress ball is now on display at the Carnegie Cultural Center, and it is — to put it succinctly — impressive.

And for those who walk through the doors of the New Hampton museum, Singewald's exhibit of warships dating back to 1814 and running through present day is a chance to dive into naval history.

"For me, it's a huge stress reliever, and it always has been, or at least it has been for a long time," said the 2022 New Hampton High School graduate whose ships were the stars of an

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Photo courtesy of Christina Carlton

Sam Singewald poses for a picture with part of his exhibit of ships made out of Lego bricks.

Parent expresses concerns about safety to School Board

Smith speaks about drop-off at elementary five days after police arrest man for allegedly violating no-contact order

By Bob Fenske
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Five days after a man was arrested for allegedly violating a no-contact order at New Hampton Elementary School, a parent took her concerns about safety at the downtown building that serves students from preK to fourth grade to the School Board on Monday night.

During an "open comment" portion of the meeting, Kayla Smith expressed her opinion that the school's safety is being compromised when parents are dropping their children off at the school in the morning and called on the district to have a "zero-parent entry drop-off."

Smith made her case that the district isn't following its own policy when it comes to having people in the building — pointing out that with so many parents entering the school through its southeast entrance (by the playground), there's "no way for anyone to monitor that everyone that has walked in has walked back out."

Smith said the way she reads the school handbook, all students should be entering the school via the north doors, yet she said her experience since school started last month is that "100s of parents and children rush into the building [through the southeast entrance] once

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A night to remember a magical season

Members of the 1999 New Hampton football team that won the school's only state championship in the sport are honored at halftime of the Chickasaws' game with MFL MarMac on Friday evening. About 20 players and several coaches, including longtime New Hampton head coach Scott Frerichs, returned to mark the 25th anniversary of the Chickasaws' Class 3A state title that came with an 18-7 win over Central Lyon/George-Little Rock in the championship game at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls.

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Second try the charm

New Hampton City Council once again approves hiring Economic Development assistant

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Students get a lesson in safety — both on and off the farm — at ISU Extension event

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NEIC win

New Hampton volleyball team picks up first conference victory

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

That’s a lot of cheerleaders and it’s not even half of them!

It’s not often one sees the stands pretty much packed 45 minutes before the varsity football game starts, but Friday night was the exception as students in grades K-8 who attended a recent cheer clinic put on by the New Hampton High School cheerleading squad led the crowd in cheers during a performance. All told, 124 students attended the clinic, and pretty much all of them took advantage of the chance to perform with the high school cheerleaders who coached them during the clinic.

Briefs

Board OKs weight room ‘preliminary’ architecture work

The New Hampton School Board approved Monday hiring an architect to do “preliminary work” on a potential new weight room facility for the school district.

Board members voted 5-0 to pay Align Architecture and Planning, a firm out of Waterloo, \$9,450 to provide a “concept” of the building, cost estimates and marketing images for a weight room that was first proposed at a June School Board meeting by Activities Director Cory McDonald.

McDonald at the time presented the board with the idea that the district construct a 100-by-49 foot building that would serve both physical education classes at both the district’s high school and middle school as well as the Chickasaws’ athletic teams.

On Monday, the School Board decided to go with the higher of two bids it received because, as Board Member Nate Schwickerath put it, Align offered a bid that would “be more useful, more beneficial,” than the \$7,200 bid the district received from Accord, a Mason City firm that is a design/build company connected with Henkel Construction out of Mason City.

Align recently worked with the school district when the new wrap-around daycare was put into the New Hampton Elementary School.

MercyOne car seat inspection at Methodist Church today

To ensure the safety of your child, a free child seat safety check will be held at the New Hampton Methodist Church parking lot on Thursday, Sept. 19 from 3 to 5 p.m.

Statistics show that 62 percent of car seats inspected by child passenger safety technicians are improperly installed and used.

The inspection is sponsored by MercyOne in cooperation with Little Sprouts and Lutheran Services in Iowa. For an appointment call Maggie at MercyOne New Hampton at 641-394-1688.

A car seat manual, vehicle manual and child must be present for the most accurate fit.

Lions Club to hold annual scrap metal fundraiser Sept. 28

The 13th annual New Hampton Lions scrap metal fundraiser will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28.

From 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. scrap metal may be delivered to 2202 225th St., at the LS Supply parking lot.

Questions may be directed to Jim Kiffel at 641-229-6300, he may also be contacted for large items, business materials or farm clean-ups, but items must be outside and easily accessible for pick-up.

Democrat candidates meet tonight

Local Chickasaw County Democratic candidates, along with Sarah Corkery, who is running for US Congress, will meet with constituents at Rancho Viejo Restaurant in New Hampton from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. tonight (Thursday).



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 12th • Rochester, MN
Rochester Fall Craft and Vendor Show at the Olmstead Co. Fairgrounds

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Photos courtesy of Christina Carlton

Sam Singewald (above) talks about the replica of the USS Iowa battleship Sunday during an open house at the Carnegie Cultural Center for his Lego ships that also includes a tribute (below) to his late great-grandfather, Robert Klimesh, and the USS Laffey that he served on during the 1950s.

Patience is virtue but not always easy for ‘shipbuilder’ to find

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artist reception that was held at the Carnegie on Sunday. “If I was stressed about a test, I’d build a ship. If I was having a bad day, I’d go build a ship. Seriously, it’s just my way of relaxing.”

And the fruits of that relaxing are now on display and will be through mid-November.

“I think they’re just amazing,” Carnegie Director Christina Carlton said Sunday afternoon during an open house to mark the start of the exhibit. “It’s so neat to see people come in because they have the look like what’s this all about and then they see the ships and you can see that ‘wow’ look.”

Growing up in between New Hampton and Lawler, Singewald was like a lot of kids. He fell in love with Lego.

“I was a Lego kid, that’s for sure. That and Star Wars was my life when I was little,” the now 20-year-old Singewald said. “And then I really got into Titanic and ships and all that stuff.”

But he never lost his love for Lego, either, so he combined his new-found passion for ships and the bricks and built his first ship — a replica of the USS Lassey, a World War II-era destroyer that his great-grandfather called home while he was in the Navy.

“It was a way to honor him,



and I found I really liked it,” he said. “I mean it takes a lot of planning because I want everything to be just right. That means getting it to scale and making sure it’s accurate and authentic.”

After building the Lassey, he moved on to the USS Juneau, a light cruiser, before tackling the USS Iowa, the renowned World War II battleship that went into service in 1943 and also conducted operations during the Korean War.

“That took four years to build,” he said, “and sometimes, I had to just walk away from it for a while and work on other ships.”

All told, he has built 30 ships

out of Lego bricks and almost all of them are on display at the Carnegie, as well as 23 military artifacts ranging from Civil War uniforms to Navy uniforms that sailors wore on the ships he has recreated with children’s toys.

“I just love military history,” he said, “so when I start working on a ship or trying to find a uniform, I want it to be just the way it was back then.”

He built his ships throughout high school, where he also excelled in trapshooting for New Hampton’s tradition-rich program.

After graduating, he attended Hawkeye Community College, where he majored in digital mass media and competed for the RedTails’ trapshooting team and making the national junior college meet the past two years.

Singewald said he now works livestreaming dirt-track racing and helping out on the family farm, but even after all these years, his passions remain those Lego bricks and the ships he builds.

And if he’s learned anything from the exhibit that is now on display at the Carnegie, it is patience.

Asked if he had it, he laughed. “I do and I don’t,” he said, “but sometimes that just means doing something else — working on another ship or doing research — and then coming back to it.”

How long will he play with Lego bricks?

“Probably forever,” he said. “Seriously, I think it’s one of those toys that is really good for kids. You learn a lot and you can do some pretty cool things with them.”

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Work continues Monday morning on the replacement of a bridge on Highway 18 north of Ionia, and Iowa Department of Transportation officials say the bridge should reopen sometime next month.

Detour will be in place for another three to four weeks

BY BOB FENSKE
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We've got some good news for those heading west from New Hampton who are sick of a months-long detour.

There is a light at the end of the proverbial tunnel. The bad news is that "light" won't arrive for a few more weeks.

"If the weather cooperates, we should be done in three to four weeks," DOT spokesman Pete Hjelmstad said on Monday about the bridge replacement that is taking place over the Winters Lake Overflow just north of Ionia on Highway 18. "They are getting

there, we just need folks to be patient for a little longer."

The project began in early April, and since then, an almost three-mile stretch of 18 running from Chickasaw County V14 north of Ionia to Chickasaw County T76 in Bassett has been closed and traffic has been detoured through Ionia and Chickasaw Park for more than five months.

Ionia's annual celebration, Fun Days, did not have a parade because of the detour that runs on the city's Main Street.

Hjelmstad said workers have poured the deck and that they will be working on abutments for the next couple of weeks before

finishing the project with guard rails and what he called other smaller items.

The DOT spokesman reminded motorists to continue to drive with caution, obey posted speed limits and be aware that traffic fines for moving violations are at least double in work zones. He also noted that motorists should be mindful that the harvest season may begin before work on the bridge is completed.

"We'll be close but we just want people to be on the lookout for farmers in that area," he said. "If the weather's good, though, we should be done by early to mid October and get back to normal."

Superintendent lauds partnerships school districts have

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school districts.

"As happy as I am for you on your retirement, we sure are going to miss you," Denner said as his fellow board members nodded their heads in agreement. "You have done a wonderful job here and at Turkey Valley."

New Hampton Board President Jay Matthews said that the two boards would hold a joint meeting in the near future and discuss the process of finding a replacement for Jurrens.

"I think at that meeting, that's when you can talk about if you want to bring a consultant on board," Jurrens said. "I felt like it was important to give you a chance to get the ball rolling earlier rather than later and I'll do whatever I can do to help you with the search."

During Jurrens' tenure at New Hampton, the school district passed a \$19.415 million bond referendum that led to the construction of a new middle school, vocational agriculture and industrial technology center and competition gymnasium.

In 2016-17, he seamlessly moved into his dual role, and both districts' financials are in excellent shape.

New Hampton's unspent spending authority at the end of the 2023-24 fiscal year was a little more than \$5 million and represented about 35.8 percent of its expenditures. That's far



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton and Turkey Valley Superintendent Jay Jurrens talks with New Hampton School Board members during a meeting held Monday night in which he announced his intention to retire at the end of the school year.

above the 10 to 15 percent recommended threshold.

Turkey Valley, meanwhile, finished 2023-24 with an unspent spending authority of almost \$2.8 million, or 42.7 percent of its expenditures.

In his resignation letter, Jurrens said that he is appreciative to both communities he has served for the past eight years and cites the partnerships that both Turkey Valley and New Hampton have with community members.

"Your involvement and dedication to our schools have been

vital in achieving our collective goals," he wrote, "and ensuring that our students receive the best possible education."

Before coming to New Hampton, Jurrens spent 15 years at Emmetsburg, where he taught English and served as a guidance counselor for nine years and was the high school principal and technology coordinator for six years.

He came to education later in life as he spent a number of years working in retail before receiving degrees in English and business education from

Buena Vista. Jurrens also has a master's degree in guidance and counseling and a superintendent's licensure degree from the University of Northern Iowa.

On Monday, he said he was looking forward to a strong finish to his career in education, and said that he will continue to be a Chickasaw and Trojan even after he retires.

"I look forward to witnessing the continued success of New Hampton and Turkey Valley schools and have every confidence that the future holds great things for both districts."

ney. I look forward to witnessing the continued success of New Hampton and Turkey Valley Schools and have every confidence that the future holds great things for both districts.

Sincerely, Jay Jurrens

Text of New Hampton and Turkey Valley superintendent's letter announcing retirement

Dear Members of the School Board,

I am writing you to formally announce my retirement as the shared superintendent of New Hampton and Turkey Valley Schools, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. My last official day will be June 30, 2025. After much consideration, I have decided that it's time for me to step down and enjoy a new chapter in my life.

As I reflect on my tenure, I am filled with immense gratitude for the opportunity to work along side with such outstanding boards, dedicated staff members, and supportive communities. The experience of serving both New Hampton and Turkey Valley Schools has been nothing short of remarkable, and I am honored to have been part of this journey.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to both boards for your unwavering support and trust throughout these years. Your commitment to educational excellence and the well-being of our students has been truly inspiring. It has been a privilege to collaborate with such passionate and driven individuals who continually strive to make a positive impact on our schools and our students' lives.

To the staff members of both districts, your dedication and hard work have been the cornerstone of our success. It has been a pleasure to work with such a talented group of educators and administrators who are committed to fostering a nurturing and effective learning environment. Your support and enthusiasm have made my role deeply fulfilling.

And to the communities of New Hampton and Turkey Valley, thank you for welcoming me into your lives and for the strong partnership we have shared. Your involvement and dedication to our schools have been vital in achieving our collective goals and ensuring our students receive the best education.

As I transition into retirement, I will cherish the many memories and accomplishments we have achieved together. While I am excited for this new phase, I will always hold dear the relationships and experiences that have shaped my career.

Thank you once again for the incredible support and the opportunity to be part of such a wonderful educational jour-

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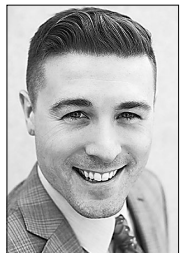
Edward Jones advisor receives Forbes best-in-state honor

Edward Jones Financial Advisor Clint Whitcome of New Hampton has been named to the 2024 Forbes Top Next-Gen Wealth Advisors Best-in-State in Iowa ranking by Forbes and SHOOK Research.

The ranking recognizes financial advisors younger than 40 who have at least four years of experience.

Whitcome ranked No. 7 in Iowa.

"I am a financial advisor because I love the work I do, the people I work with and the difference I can make," said Whitcome. "To be recognized by Forbes for the success of my practice is an incredible honor that is both humbling and motivating. I look forward to many years of helping people financially achieve the things that matter most to them."



Whitcome

New Hampton set to celebrate homecoming next week

New Hampton will kick off its homecoming celebration next week with a variety of activities that will culminate with the annual dance on Saturday, Sept. 30.

This year's theme is "We're Kind of a Big Deal," and the annual homecoming parade will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, and be followed by a pep rally and king coronation at the school at 6:45 p.m. The parade lineup will begin at 5:15 p.m. in the school parking lot, and community members and businesses that would like to be in the parade should contact Melissa Nelson at m_nelson@new-hampton.k12.ia.us for more information.

The homecoming football games will be held on Friday evening when the Chickasaws are scheduled to play Oelwein, with the freshman game kicking off at 5 p.m. and the varsity at 7:30 p.m.

In between games, the Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club will induct four new members — Scott Frerichs, Megan (Lehman) Olson, Carter Stochl and Rick Kramer — to the New Hampton Hall of Fame during halftime. The homecoming queen will also be crowned.

Homecoming will wrap up on Saturday with the dance that will be held from 8 to 11 p.m. at the Chickasaw Event Center.

Pancake breakfast Oct. 13 benefits Alta Vista Fire Department

Extrication tools are on the shopping list for the Alta Vista Fire Department, and the department will be holding its annual pancake breakfast to raise money for the equipment.

On Sunday, Oct. 13 pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs, along with juice, milk and coffee will be served at the station in Alta Vista from 7:30 to 11 a.m.

It's the fifth year for the annual event, which will ask for a free will donation to "fill the boot."

Food will be served drive-thru or dine-in, with delivery available within the AV fire district. Please call 641-229-6523 by 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12 for that service.

There will also be a drawing for door prizes and a gun raffle. Drawing at 11 a.m., contact any firefighter for details.

Hawkeye CC graduates

Area students graduates from Hawkeye Community College this summer. They included:

Alta Vista: Alicia Miller, Liberal Arts, AA.

Fort Atkinson: Kade Kuenen, Heating and Air Conditioning, DIPL, Honors; Shane Riehle, Paramedic, CERT.

Ionia: Syney Peterson, General Agriculture, DIPL.

Nashua: Kendrick Huck, Advanced Welding, DIPL, Honors; Megan Stille, Liberal Arts, AA.

New Hampton: Joshua Schuchhardt, Emergency Medical Services, AAS, and Paramedic, CERT.

I want to thank everyone who visited, called, sent cards, phoned, sent flowers, food and most of all prayers after my accident. A special thanks to my family. Thanks to NH Nursing & Rehab Staff and therapy department and the surgery department in Mason City. I will be forever grateful for all the caring people in my life.

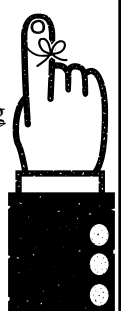
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Fredericksburg: Friday- Sept. 27	Fredericksburg Municipal Hall 151 W. Main St, Fredericksburg, Iowa 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Ionia: Wednesday- Oct. 2	Ionia Community Library, 101 W. Iowa St., Ionia, Iowa 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM
Lawler: Friday- Oct. 4	Our Lady Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, 3040 Hwy 24, Lawler, Iowa 9:00 AM- 11:00 AM
Alta Vista: Tuesday- Oct. 8	Alta Vista Public Library 203 S. White Ave, Alta Vista, Iowa 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM
Nashua: Thursday, Oct. 10	Nashua Public Library 220 Brasher St., Nashua, Iowa 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM
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ELMA CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Pastor Paula Hemann
207 Plum Street Elma
Service time: 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

NORTH WASHINGTON

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Father Jim Goerend
Mass: Saturday, Sept. 28, 6 p.m.

Be more than big and flashy

Remember that a ‘cup of water’ and loving gestures are basic building blocks

Big and flashy things. I think human beings like to do big things.

Huge pyramids built before modern construction equipment? Check!

Transcontinental railroad built in the 1860’s? Check!

Panama Canal that links the two great oceans? Check!

Building a massive dam on the powerful Colorado River? Check!

Putting a man on the moon before 1970? Check!

These are all incredibly large and massive projects and they’re only a fraction of what human beings have accomplished. These

projects are big and flashy and it seems that our secular society is all about big and flashy.

Who could forget Lady Gaga’s “meat dress” or Richard Branson trying to commercialize space travel? Big and flashy.

The most important building project isn’t flashy and it doesn’t need to consist of big cranes or cement plants.

A cup of water. That’s the basic building block of the greatest construction project there ever was or will be.

A cup of water, a kind smile, a helping hand. These are the small things that build this great project, the Kingdom of God here on earth.

Jesus tells us in the Gospel reading for the weekend after this, “Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.”

A cup of water. St. Therese of Lisieux, a Carmelite Nun who lived in the late 1800s, wrote about a little way.

Therese wrote, “Love proves itself by deeds, so how am I to show my love? Great deeds are forbidden me. The only way I can prove my love is by scattering flowers and these flowers are every little sacrifice, every glance and word, and the doing of the least actions for love.”

Jesus once said what-



Father Jim Goerend is the priest for the Good Shepherd Cluster, which includes Catholic parishes in New Hampton, Ionia and North Washington

ever you do for the least of my sisters and brothers you do for me. A cup of water and a loving gesture, those are the kinds of big things that each one of us can do to help build the kingdom of God here on earth.

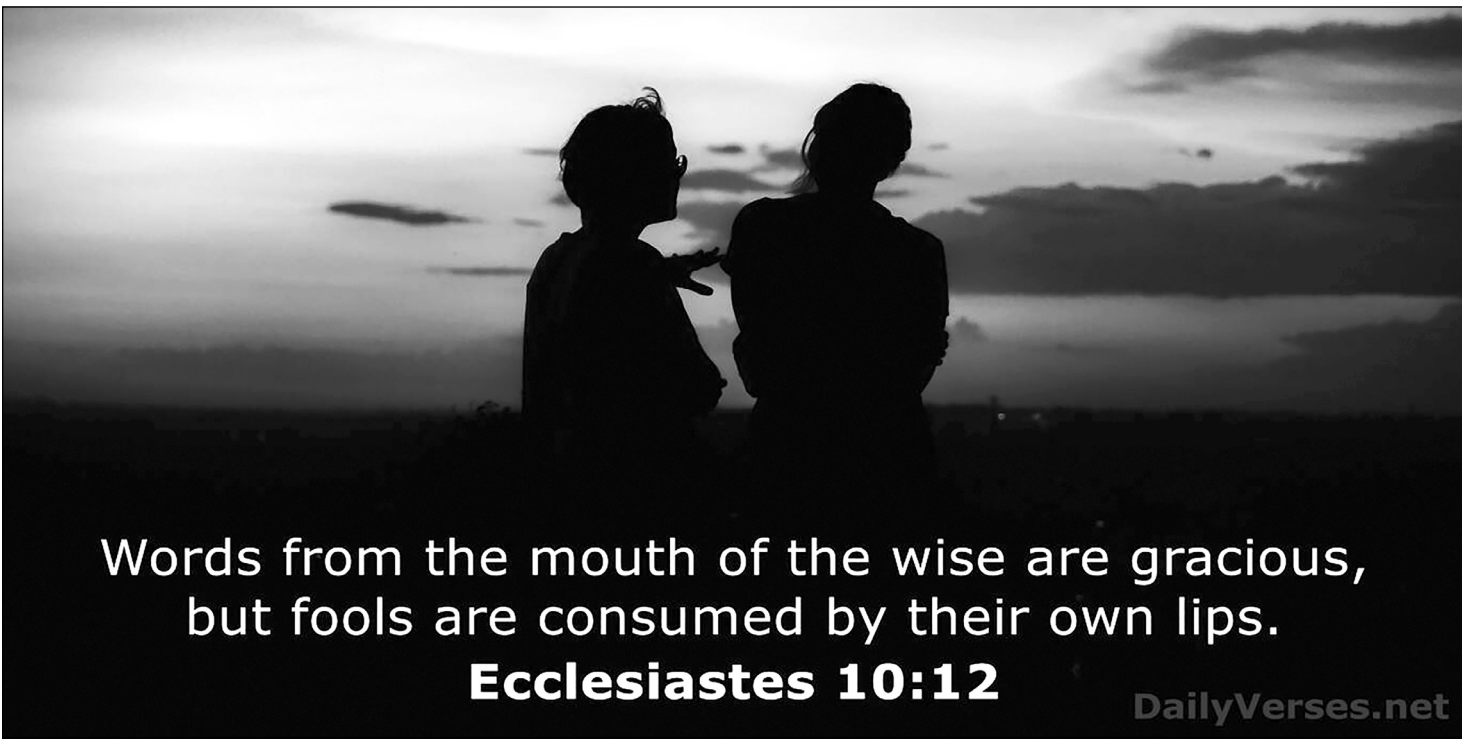


Photo courtesy of Jayden Burke

Cluster confirmation at Holy Family

The Good Shepherd Cluster, which is made up of Catholic churches in New Hampton, Ionia and North Washington, held its confirmation mass this past Sunday at Holy Family Parish, and following the service posed for a photo with Father Jim Goerend, Archbishop Thomas Zinkula and youth minister Jayden Burke.

Pictured are (front row, from left) Burke, Colin Shatek, Kale Venem, Kevyn Torres, Alivia Geerts, Ava Shoemaker, Maya Boos, Camryn Smith, Madison Roethler, Anai Diaz, Mckenna Lantow, Archbishop Zinkula, (middle row) Chase Humpal, Jaxson Porath, Cecilia Delgado, Ella Knutson, (back row) Father Jim, Jacob McDonald, William Klassen, Riley Scheidel, Edgar Rodriguez and Eli Holthaus,



Words from the mouth of the wise are gracious, but fools are consumed by their own lips.

Ecclesiastes 10:12

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Pastor Drew McHolm
Service times: Sing-A-Long Service, 10:15 a.m., and worship service at 10:30 a.m., Sunday.

REPUBLIC CHURCH

1794 280th St., Ionia
Pastor Sarah Namukose
Service time: 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

314 Brasher Street
Pastor Sarah Namukose
Service time: 9 a.m. Sundays.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

300 Merrill St.
Pastor Todd Burrichter
Service time: 9 a.m. Sundays.

CEDAR POINT CHURCH

310 Main Street
Pastor Darin Cerwinski
Service time: 6:30 p.m. Friday.

ST. MICHAELS CHURCH

602 Cedar Street
Father Tom Heathershaw
Service time: 6:30 p.m. Saturdays.

ST. JOHN’S UCC - PLEASANT HILL

10009 Union Ave.
Pastor Drew McHolm
Service time: Sunday, 9 a.m.

PLAINFIELD

UNITED METHODIST

404 2nd St.
319-276-3195
Pastor Roberta Robbins
Service time: Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

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OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

3030 Highway 24
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Saturday, 4 p.m.

IMMANUEL CRANE CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH

2616 140th St, Lawler
Pastor Sue Cira
Service time: 9:30 a.m., Sunday.

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ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD

222 S. Washington Ave.
Pastor Ron Koch
Service time: 8:30 a.m., Sundays.

PEACE UCC CHURCH

221 Oak St.
Pastor Scott Smith
Service time: 9 a.m., Sundays.

WAUCOMA

ST. MARY CATHOLIC

218 3rd St. NW
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

ST. LUCAS

ST. LUKE CATHOLIC

215 East Main
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, Sept. 29, 10:30 a.m.

PROTIVIN

HOLY TRINITY

124 N. Main St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, Sept. 29, 8:30 a.m.

LITTLE TURKEY

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

3303 160th St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

CLARKSVILLE

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

31015 150th Street
Rev. Peter Wenzel
Service time: 10 a.m., Sundays.

Know the Risks Of Investing — And Not Investing

Investing involves risk — and so does not investing. You should know how both these types of risk can affect your ability to reach your financial goals.

Let’s start with the risks associated with investing. There’s not a single investment risk because different types of investments carry different types of risk. Here’s a look at three investment categories and some of the risks connected with them:

- **Stocks** – When you invest in stocks or stock-based mutual funds, you will incur the risk that the value of your investments may decline. Stock prices can fall for any number of reasons – lower-than-expected earnings, a change in management, change in consumer tastes, and so on. Although the historical trend for stocks has been positive, there will always be periods when prices are down. One way to help defend against this volatility is to hold stocks for the long term, rather than constantly buying and selling, and to own a mix of stocks from different industries and even different countries.
- **Bonds** – When market interest rates rise, the value of your bonds can decline because investors won’t pay full price for them when they can get the newer ones that offer higher rates. Another type of risk associated with bonds is credit risk, which essentially describes the risk that the bond issuer may default, potentially disrupting your flow of interest payments. However, you can help mitigate this risk by purchasing investment-grade bonds that receive the highest credit ratings from independent rating agencies.
- **Certificates of deposit (CDs)** – Although CDs are generally considered safe because their principal is guaranteed, they do carry reinvestment risk — the risk that you won’t be able to reinvest the proceeds of a maturing CD at the same interest rate. To help protect against this risk, you could own CDs of varying maturities. When market rates are low, you’ll still have your longer-term CDs paying higher interest, and when market rates



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rise, you can reinvest the money from your maturing shorter-term CDs into the new, higher paying ones.

Now, let’s turn to a completely different type of risk — the risk of not investing. And this risk is easy to understand: If you don’t invest, or if you consistently invest only in the most conservative vehicles, your money may not grow enough to allow you to reach your important long-term goals, such as a comfortable retirement.

Of course, this doesn’t mean you should never own conservative investments, including CDs and some types of bonds. When you’re saving for a short term goal, such as a down payment on a house, a wedding or a long vacation, you want the money to be there when you need it, so an investment that offers protection of principal may be appropriate, even if it doesn’t provide much in the way of growth.

For those long-term goals, though, you may need to build an investment portfolio that contains growth potential and that reflects your personal risk tolerance and time horizon. Over time, your risk tolerance may change. As you get closer to retirement, you may want to take a somewhat more conservative approach — but you’ll always need some elements of growth.

When you invest, risk can’t be eliminated, but it can be managed. Keeping this in mind, consider a long-term investment strategy that allows for risk but also offers the possibility of reward.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

Edward Jones, Member SIPC

City Council again gives OK to hire economic development assistant

By **BOB FENSKÉ**
editor@nhtrib.com

The New Hampton City Council thought it had settled the question during a meeting earlier this month when it voted to hire a new assistant for the Economic Development Office.

But on Monday night, the council had to do it all over again because it turned out the offer the city made during its Sept. 3 meeting violated employment laws.

That’s because city staff was notified that allowing one part-time employee to utilize 50 percent of the city’s health insurance benefits was not permissible.

That meant that Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson returned to the council with a new plan on Monday.

Robinson proposed hiring Megan Baltes, who served as the economic development assis-

City of New Hampton making last call for water surveys

New Hampton residents and building owners are taking it down to the wire when it comes to a survey that the city needs returned to comply with EPA and Iowa DNR requirements over the new Lead-Copper rule.

As of last Friday, more than 200 of the 1,666 addresses in the city have yet to complete the survey, which the city must turn in next month.

City officials are worried that New Hampton could be fined for not complying with the requirements, and residents who need help with the survey can call Public Works Director Casey Mai at 641-557-8244.

council members also took care of some “TIF business” that will allow firms that wouldn’t have been eligible for tax-increment financing because of a new state law that “sunsets” some urban-renewal plans to receive funds in the future.

And council members also agreed to give Public Works Department employee Dennis Marvin a temporary bump in pay.

Public Works Director Casey Mai told council members that with the departure of Water Department employee Nick Henningsen, who took a job as the water and wastewater superintendent in Nashua, he wanted to increase Mavin’s pay from \$24.69 to \$28.22 per hour.

That’s the same wage that Henningsen received before leaving the city, and council members agreed to the temporary wage hike that will remain in effect until a full-time replacement has been hired.

Man arrested after allegedly violating protective order

SAFETY: FROM 1

students are allowed to be in the building.

“There is no single file, all forms of politeness are gone as adults and children are on a mission to get to their room as quickly as possible,” she told board members. “As an adult it’s a very overwhelming experience; it’s no surprise children are crying at drop off in the morning after experiencing what is the chaos of morning drop off.”

She said that after last week’s situation — when school officials immediately brought all students into the building from recess and held indoor recess for the rest of the day — school safety has become even more important to her.

“After a post on social media, within the last week I have had countless parents and staff reach out to me about it with the same feelings and concerns,” she said. “Several of them say they have approached administration, some for several years, with their concerns and felt they have been dismissed. I know there are two sides to every story, so I decided to tackle the situation myself.”

Smith said she was more than willing to work with school officials to find a solution to what she called the “mad house” that occurs each morning.

“I am a proud fourth-generation New

Hampton graduate, and as a mother of three, this town and this school mean a lot to me,” she said. “To see administration working with parents to embrace change for the betterment of the school [would be] incredible.”

Before Smith spoke, School Board President Jay Matthews reminded her that because the drop-off procedure wasn’t on the meeting’s agenda, board members would not discuss the issue on Monday.

However, when the meeting reached its “discussion” stage, Board Member Nate Schwickerath did say he would like the issue discussed at the October board meeting, and Superintendent Jay Jurens said administration would bring information to the meeting that is set for Oct. 21.

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The incident that took place last Wednesday, involved a man who allegedly violated an active protective order at the school and who was was subsequently arrested and taken into custody.

According to a press release from Chickasaw County Sheriff Ryan Shawver, school staff were aware that Wesley Almon Cornwell is a respondent in an active protective order which includes his minor children, and at approximately 12:22 p.m. on Wednesday, they notified the Chickasaw County Communications Center that

Cornwell had made contact with his minor children on school grounds.

Law enforcement then arrived on scene and began an investigation and a search for Cornwell.

A little more than 1 1/2 hours later, Shawver said that Cornwell was taken into custody without incident and placed under arrest by the New Hampton Police Department. Shawver said that Cornwell was charged with violation of no-contact or protective order.

In a letter to parents that was posted on Facebook, New Hampton Elementary School Principal Emily Steele said that Cornwell “approached the fence during recess.”

She added that school staff immediately had all students brought inside and that authorities were called.

“We have resumed the day as normal, with the exception of holding recess indoors and monitoring entry to the building,” said Steele, who added that “as always, all exterior doors [at the school] remain locked.”

Agencies involved in the investigation included the New Hampton Police Department, the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s Office, the Iowa State Patrol and New Hampton Community Schools, and Shawver said “the public’s assistance was greatly appreciated during this investigation.”

Briefs

Harvest Church to celebrate arrival of new pastor on Sept. 29

Harvest Church in New Hampton will hold a “Meet the Pastor” event to celebrate the arrival of Pastor Josh Jacobs to the church.

The event that will include an ice cream sundae bar will run from 3 to 4 p.m. and be held at the church that is located on New Hampton’s south side.

Classic Tractor ride to be held Sept. 29 in Northeast Iowa

Fall’s ablaze so get the old iron running and join Classic Tractors 22nd Annual Fall Ride, touring the colorful scenery near Decorah, Freeport, Bluffton, and Ridgeway. The ride is Saturday Sept. 28, with rain date of Sunday, Sept. 29. Registration is 7-8:30 a.m. at the Freeport Winneshiek County Maintenance Garage located at 1751 Old Stage Rd, Decorah.

From Highway 9, turn north at the Walmart intersection; garage is on the east side. The ride leaves Freeport at 8:45 a.m. Come early and enjoy coffee, donuts, and fellowship.

The scenic 40-mile route goes from Freeport to Hutchinson’s Campground for morning break, then Lunch at St. Bridget’s Church Bluffton ~ \$12, and then an afternoon break at Fireman’s Inn Ridgeway before returning to Freeport. Classic Tractors Shuttle will not be available for this ride, but tractor drivers are welcome to bring wagons for passengers.

Classic Tractors of NE IA Inc. is a non-profit corporation with proceeds donated to local food pantries, NICC scholarships, historic preservation, and community betterment projects. For info contact Denny Wilkins 563-379-0817 Brian Hageman 563-379-3772 Jan Bear 563-380-7600

Rendezvous at the Fort to be held in Fort Atkinson Sept. 28-29

The annual Fort Atkinson Rendezvous will be bringing its unique attractions to the small Winneshiek County town on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 28 and 29.

At 9:30 a.m. on Saturday the fort opens to the public with a cannon drill; other drills will be held at noon, 2 and 4:15 p.m., with the last bus departing for the parking lot below at 4:30 p.m.

Sunday the fort opens at 9 a.m. and the last bus departs at 3:45.

Among the many events held Saturday are a flint and steel contest, primitive bow shoot, tomahawk throwing contest, music with Gary and Annie and 1840’s kids games. The music and kids games also are on tap for Sunday, along with a skillet throw and kids tomahawk throw.

A 5K run/walk will be held on Saturday, starting at 7:30 a.m. at the Fort Atkinson Community Center Park, with a pre-Rendezvous, Mike Reicks three-piece chicken dinner at the community center on Friday from 4:30 to 7 p.m.



New Hampton Lions 13th Annual Scrap Metal Fundraiser

Bring your scrap materials south of town to:
2202 225th St. at LS Supply Parking Lot
Saturday, September 28 • 8 am to 2 pm
For a list of accepted materials go to:
<https://www.pushironandmetals.com/acceptable-unacceptable>



If you have large items, business materials or farm clean-ups, please call **Jim Kiffel 641-229-6300** with your information to set up an appointment.

THANK YOU

We are so very thankful for so many family and friends wishing us blessings on our 50th wedding anniversary, whether it was in person, a card, a “like” or a “comment” on Facebook.

We want to especially thank Gayla Hugeback for putting my “Vision” for the video together so beautifully, we absolutely loved it and will cherish it for years to come. THANK YOU GAYLA! If you haven’t seen the video I hope you check it out on my Facebook page (if you can’t find it, message me and I’ll send it to you) Again THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts for making our “golden” extra special.

Joe & Rose Ann Schwickerath

CHICKASAW COUNTY Veterans Tribute

Submit yours or a family member’s Veteran photo to be honored in our Special Veterans Day Tab

There is a \$5 fee for each Veteran photo submitted. All funds raised will directly benefit various Veterans organizations in Chickasaw County.

The Chickasaw County Veterans Day Tab will be published as a special section in the New Hampton Tribune on November 7th and in the Nashua Reporter on November 8th.

Please submit the form below along with your \$5 to: **New Hampton Tribune c/o Veteran’s Tab 801 Riverside Dr., Charles City, Iowa 50616** or email the above information and a picture in JPEG format to accounting@nhtrib.com by the **October 24, 2024 deadline**.

Please only one form per Veteran.

VETERAN TRIBUTE EXAMPLE



John W. Hall
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1941-1945

NOTICE

The City of New Hampton will begin flushing hydrants, weather permitting, on **Monday, September 23, 2024**

Run water to clear your lines before using, especially before washing clothes.

CHICKASAW COUNTY VETERANS TRIBUTE SUBMISSION

Name _____ Rank _____
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Picture and information must be received by October 24, 2024

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To return your picture, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.



Almanac

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Wednesday	83	51	--
Thursday	82	57	--
Friday	81	58	.04
Saturday	80	62	.02
Sunday	87	61	--
Monday	85	60	--
Tuesday	86	62	--

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny but chance of showers and storms later; high 84, low 62.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 83 and low of 60.

Saturday: Early showers and storms give way to partly cloudy skies; high 78, low 57.

Sunday: Partly cloudy but chance of showers; high 70, low 52.

Extended forecast: Highs in the low 70s, lows dropping to near 50 and chance of showers.

Meetings

MONDAY

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

History

- In 1881, President James A. Garfield, who had been in office just under four months, succumbs to wounds inflicted by an assassin 80 days earlier, on July 2.
- In 1893, New Zealand becomes the first country in the world to grant national voting rights to women.
- In 1955, after a decade of dictatorial rule, Argentine President Juan Domingo Perón is deposed in a military coup.
- In 1957, the United States detonates a 1.7-kiloton nuclear weapon in an underground tunnel at the Nevada Test Site (NTS), a 1,375-square-mile research center located 65 miles north of Las Vegas, marking the first fully contained underground detonation that produced no radioactive fallout.
- In 1995, a manifesto by the Unabomber, an anti-technology terrorist, is published by The New York Times and Washington Post in the hope that someone will recognize the person who, for 17 years, had been sending homemade bombs through the mail that had killed and maimed innocent people around the United States.

Birthdays

- Author William Golding, who wrote “The Lord of the Flies,” was born in 1911.
- Hall of Fame baseball player Joe Morgan was born in 1943.
- Late night talk show host Jimmy Fallon turns 50.
- Country music singer Trisha Yearwood turns 60.
- Film actor Jeremy Irons turns 76.

Corrections

- The Tribune wants to make sure all information it presents is accurate and correct.

If you see an error, please call Editor Bob Fenske at 641-394-2111.

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Duane Francis Lynch, 84

Duane Francis Lynch, age 84 of New Hampton, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024, at St. Marys Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will follow at St. Mary’s Cemetery in New Hampton with Duane’s grandchildren serving as pallbearers.

Friends may greet the family from 3 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 23, 2024, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there will be a 7 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Tuesday at the church.

Duane Francis Lynch was born on Aug. 22, 1940, at St. Joseph’s Hospital in New Hampton. Duane was the fourth of five boys born to Ed and Leone (Armbruster) Lynch.

Growing up on the family farm west of New Hampton, Duane’s early years were shaped by a deep connection to the land and a strong work ethic.

His education began at St. Boniface School in Ionia before he transferred to New Hampton High School, from which he graduated in 1958.

While in high school, Duane began working for the New Hampton Newspaper, a job that marked the start of his lifelong dedication to his community.

Duane met Pat Baltes during their sophomore year. Their enduring love story culminated in their marriage on Oct. 10, 1959, at St. Mary’s Church. The couple welcomed three beloved children — Pam, Penny, and David. Together, they built a life filled with love, laughter and shared adventures.

Duane’s career took him from Oliver in Charles City to various roles, including working for a local farmer and as a pressman at the Charles City Press.

When his father retired, Duane took over the family farm while continuing his work as a pressman. In 1977, he transitioned to full-time farming. Later he became a Dekalb salesman, a role he embraced with his characteristic enthusiasm.

Even in his later years, Duane’s passion for farming never wavered, and he could often be found keeping his farm and pond in pristine condition, embodying the timeless dedication of a true farmer. He loved to end his work day by asking Pat, “Want to go for a ride?” which translated to “Let’s check the crops.” Those rides just



Duane Lynch

might have included a Busch Lite or a margarita.

A committed member of his community, Duane served on the St. Mary’s Church council, the FHA board, and the Golden Grain Board. His interest in government and politics sparked many lively discussions, and he was always eager to share his opinions.

For over 60 years, Duane was an avid card player, particularly enjoying euchre with his long-standing card club. Along with playing cards, he enjoyed his visits to the casino with his wife Pat.

Duane and Pat cherished their travels, spending many winters in Rockport, Texas, and exploring destinations such as Hawaii, Alaska and Ireland. Their adventures extended to numerous cruises and treasured moments with friends and family.

Duane’s love for his family was profound. He hosted countless family reunions at the family farm and pond, creating lasting memories for generations. His legacy of family gatherings continues to be celebrated at a variety of locations.

Duane is greatly missed by Pat, his wife of 65 years; his daughter, Pam Meyer (fiancee Hugh Howerton) of San Antonio, Texas; daughter, Penny Perkins (Scott) of New Hampton; son, David Lynch of Mason City; grandchildren, Amanda Meyer (Mike D’Auria) of Brooklyn, New York, Zachary Perkins (Jenny and Ryan Boothe) of Ankeny, Elizabeth Campanella (Nick) of San Antonio, Texas, Emma Perkins of Rochester, Minnesota, Evan Lynch of Mason City, and Andraya Meyer (Isaac) of San Antonio, Texas; and great-grandchildren, Francis and Jude D’Auria of Brooklyn, New York.

Duane was preceded in death by his parents, Ed and Leone Lynch; his parents-in-law, Virgil and Phyllis Baltes; brothers, Bob and Richard; as well as other family members who are deeply missed.

Donald Lester Boss, 92

Donald “Don” Lester Boss, age 92 of Nashua, died Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2024, at Floyd County Medical Center in Charles City surrounded by his family.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua.

Property Transfers

Barbara J. Bigelow and Carol A. Tinker POA to Jeff Emery and Cindy Emery; BEG AT POINT 123’ S OF INTERSECTION OF S LINE OF HWY & W LINE OF RD SE SW 18-94-14.

Kray Koster and Erica Koster to Brandon Theilen and Kaitlin Theilen; S1/4 NASHUA NO ADDITION Lot: 4 Block: 13 N43-1/2’ NASHUA NO ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 13.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS’ MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 9:00 AM with members Kuhn, Suckow, Hackman and Cerwinski present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Breitbach absent. Chairperson Cerwinski called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Donna Geerts, County Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske member of the media, Terry Johnson, Engineer Roman Lensing, Kathy Shekleton, EMS Director Joel Knutson, and Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve the agenda for September 9, 2024. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve minutes for September 3, 2024. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to approve final release of retainage for Chickasaw Heritage Building Center Water Main Extension Project in the amount of \$7,142.99 to Popp Excavating Inc. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve invoice from Tyler Technologies, county software, annual renewal in the amount of \$98,448.53. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Department update from Engineer Roman Lensing.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve and authorize Chair’s signature on final voucher for Chickasaw County Traffic Sign Project HSP-SWAP-CO19(112)—FJ-19. Roll

call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve Farm Lease for the Gilmore-Wapsie Access in the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section 18, Township 95 North, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M.with Bruce Lantzky for \$60.00 per acre. Total annual cash rent of \$900.00. This lease is effective as of March 1, 2025 and shall terminate on February 29, 2028. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Suckow to approve Farm Lease for the County Farm located in the part of the South One-Half (S ½) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section 24, and in the North One-Half (N ½) of the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of Section 25, all lying East of the State Highway 63 in Township 95 North, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M. with Matthew Holschlag for \$400.00 per tillable acre. Total annual cash rent of \$24,280.00. This lease is effective as of March 1, 2025 and shall terminate on February 29, 2028. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Discussed rate increase for Jendro Sanitation/LJP Waste Solution of 3.3% from \$28,753.10 to \$29,702.04 annually effective billing date July 31, 2025 for July services. Hackman suggested to request proposals for rural recycling services.

Department update from EMS Director Knutson.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to acknowledge the resignation of Dan Phillips, EMS part time paramedic, effective September 9, 2024. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Cerwinski. Absent: Breitbach. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Hackman to approve hiring Conrad Rosendahl,

Joyce Arlene Cavanaugh, age 92 of Charles City passed away peacefully on Friday, Sept. 13, 2024, at the New Hampton Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 20, 2024, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with the Rev. Mark Osterhaus celebrating the mass.

Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery in New Hampton with Kyle Cavanaugh, Christopher Gardner, Michael Gardner, David Schmitz, Frank Ashley and Ben Freidhof serving as pallbearers. Jerry Zenk, Dean Grober, Earl Nolt and John Oberholtzer will be serving as honorary pallbearers.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 19, 2024, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Friday at the church.

Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements.

A new light blessed the earth on Dec. 29, 1931, with the birth of Joyce Arlene Pennington to Audrey and Dewey Pennington of rural Charles City. There she joined her older brother Gordon and grew up on a diverse family farm — helping with all aspects of gardening, caring for livestock and developed an early love of learning and animals. She passed away on Sept. 13, 2024, at the New Hampton Rehabilitation and Care Center.

Joyce graduated from Charles

Joyce Arlene Cavanaugh, 92



Joyce Cavanaugh

City High School in 1948 and promptly enrolled in the Iowa Teachers College in Cedar Falls. Three semesters later she was teaching in Colwell in 1951; later in Floyd schools, finishing at Jefferson School in Charles City after a 47-year career. She received her BA degree in 1958.

She met her true love, James Cavanaugh, during her senior year of high school, and they wed in 1949. They were blessed with two children, Candice and David, who grew up on the family farm, which David still farms.

A teacher, farm wife, mother, and avid gardener, she worked very hard. A phenomenal cook, everyone marveled at how she could come home from school and whip up a great dinner in what seemed like a half hour. It probably took a little longer, and a lot of planning.

She and Jim enjoyed nature, fishing trips, and travel to visit family and friends. A lifelong

avid reader, she was an important mentor to her four grandchildren while they were growing up, as well as to hundreds of children over her 47-year teaching career.

A devout Christian, she was incredibly patient, kind, compassionate, generous, hospitable and helpful to others. She loved pets, adopted many cats, and rescued the injured or abandoned.

She served as a model of high ethical standards, and service to family and community.

Joyce is survived by son, David (Lois) Cavanaugh of Ionia; daughter, Candice (Mark) Gardner of Polk City; granddaughter, Lori (David) Schmitz of Ames; grandsons, Kyle (Torrey) Cavanaugh of Crown Point, Indiana, Christopher (Mallory) Gardner of Peru, and Michael (Haley) Gardner of Madrid; and six great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, James Cavanaugh; her brother, Gordon Pennington and his wife Jackie; and her parents, Audrey and Dewey Pennington.

The family thanks the nursing staff of New Hampton’s Rehabilitation and Care Center for her tender and gentle care over the past three years, and that of St. Croix Hospice in her final days.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in her name to the ASPCA, St. Jude, St. Joseph Church of New Hampton, a local humane society or a charity of your choosing.

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of Sept. 15

1949 (75 years ago)

- A Plymouth car belonging to Flavian Dee disappeared from the front of his rooming house on North Broadway sometime around midnight Wednesday.

The car was returned sometime Thursday morning parked in front of Bierbaum’s Locker.

- The thermometer dropped down to 28 degrees on Tuesday night and a heavy white frost covered everything but it did not turn out to be a killing frost as predicted.

A total of an inch and a half of rain was recorded for the week falling last Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. More could be used to make good fall plowing. Corn is out of danger of frost and except on sandy land a good yield is expected.

1974 (50 years ago)

- There were 21 residents that joined a bike ride to Osage on Sunday, leaving from the Court House in New Hampton shortly after eight o’clock. The ride was organized by Mrs. Robert (Katie) Reisner of Little Turkey, a veteran of the Second Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa this summer.

The nearly 40-mile ride was completed by all participants. Some of the riders took advantage of a truck provided by Mikkelson Motors and rode part way in the truck.

Several cars were also used to transport the riders back home where Mrs. Reisner and her husband hosted a dinner at Roger’s Famous Foods for all

participants.

- The Chick-A-Squares are having their regular dance this Thursday at the St. Joseph Community School gymnasium at eight o’clock. It will be a Hawaiian theme with door prizes. Howard Ellsworth will be the caller.

1999 (25 years ago)

- Albert Hartman has been a member of the board of the Chickasaw County Big Four Fair for 20 years, serving as superintendent of the Sheep Department.

This year Albert and his wife, Helen, were chosen as parade marshals of the Big Four Fair Parade. Albert and Helen live in New Hampton where he has worked as custodian of the New Hampton Elementary School for 27 years.

- Baseball will have a new look in New Hampton next summer, thanks to the efforts of local volunteers, sponsors, and organizers who recently completed a major renovation project on the diamond at Mikkelson Park.

Built in 1949 and originally named “Memorial Field,” the diamond at East Park in New Hampton was celebrated as one of the top spots to play ball during the golden age of baseball back in the 1950s and 1960s.

One of the project organizers, Neal Stone, said “We’ve got the finest park in Northeast Iowa, maybe even in all of Iowa, and this is just an extra plus and now we can host district baseball tournaments.”

2014 (10 years ago)

- The Chickasaw County

Sheriff’s Office is looking at placing mobile data terminals in eight squad cars.

The “toughbooks” will allow officers to have the ability to do work from their squad cars.

The toughbooks can also be removed from the cars by the deputies and used in the office as well. To buy and install the toughbooks will cost about \$10,000 per vehicle.

- The New Hampton Chickasaws and the Turkey Valley Trojans are both 3-0.

The Chickasaws, ranked third in Class 2A, dominated every facet of the game and rolled to a 55-3 victory over Waterloo Columbus in the District 3 opener for both teams.

The Trojans, meanwhile, are also off to a fast start and shut out their first district foe, Lansing Kee, 46-0.

2019 (5 years ago)

- It was a special moment during a special ceremony. The Quilts of Valor program, held at the Chickasaw County Veterans Memorial, provided one of the most memorable moments in the program history.

There was former U.S. Army National Guard Sgt. Thomas Schwickerath sitting in his chair receiving his quilt when organizers asked Todd Schwickerath, a 21-year veteran of the U.S. Army to come to the presentation area.

It was a father and son reunion, but that wasn’t the only surprise on tap for the Schwickeraths, for Todd, who enlisted in the Army in 1987, also received his own quilt during the ceremony.

Where do we start, to thank everyone for the love and care that Theresa received during her lifetime.

To Comprehensive Systems for approximately 39 years of residency from the New Hampton Group Home, Burling House & Crestview in Charles City and her final months at 9th St. Chautauqua Guest Home in Charles City where the love and care she received was tremendous. Also thank you to the staff at the Floyd County Medical Center for the great care she received during several hospitalizations in 2023-2024. To St. Croix Hospice who made her final weeks comfortable. To Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home, Andy, Drew & Connie, for their compassion and support. To the Lau family for the beautiful music, Father Jim Goerand and our nephew from Virginia, Deacon Linus and the altar servers. To the lunch ladies & Bubba’s, the caterer. To everyone who brought food, cards, text messages, memorials and all the support we received. Lastly to our families for their love and support. She was so loved by everyone that knew her and will be greatly missed.

Francis & Eleanore Martin
Laurie & Tom Waterman family
Ron Martin
Carol & Dan Messersmith family
Shawn & Jim Hulbert family

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Ten years later, Fredericksburg art center continues to thrive

PLUM CREEK: FROM 1

Bryan O'Day about the history of art in the area and how we could promote that and do something to promote and support artists in the future.”

They had plenty of allies, starting with the Fredericksburg Main Street Boosters, and in 2011, the Plum Creek Art Council was formed.

That group held the first Plum Creek Art Festival in 2012 and the annual event was held each year through 2018.

For the first few years, the festival was held at the Fredericksburg Community Center, but in January 2014, a Main Street building, once home to a bank and then an insurance office, was donated to the city of Fredericksburg. The city agreed that the council could use the building as an art gallery and a site to have art classes and children's activities and on May 10, 2014, a grand opening was held for the Plum Creek Art Center/Connie Mohr Gallery.

“That was quite a day,” said Kathy Schmadeke, “and really, the city has been very good to us over the years. They helped make this happen.”

Two years later, though, Plum Creek raised \$90,000 to put an addition onto the north side of the building, doubling the size of the gallery.

“We had classes before this opened, but it was tight,” Suzan Farrell said, “and this was just such a wonderful addition to the gallery. It gave us room for classes, for ArtsCool, for holding events, just a lot of different things.”

Classes offered over the years include basket weaving, oil painting, watercolor, “Slush and Brush” classes, wood carving, acrylic pour, stained glass and more.

And then there is ArtsCool, a unique art school for kids that now has a waiting list.

Rose Nordaas is the director for the program and she says her goal is to explore as many different art disciplines as possible.

“I try to do a little of everything,” she said, “because the kids, some of them aren’t always good at drawing, but they might be good at something else.”

The center is also available for other events, like birthday parties, showers and the like and has even hosted a celebration of life.

As the board members shared their stories, they also pointed out that Plum Creek isn’t an exclusively Fredericksburg affair.

The board also includes members from New Hampton, Lawler and Hawkeye, and over the years, 64 artists — most of whom come from within a 40-mile radius of Fredericksburg — have displayed their work at this gem in downtown Fredericksburg.

Art, music, cake on tap for party

The Plum Creek Art Center/Connie Mohr Gallery is ready to throw itself a party on Sunday to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the gallery’s opening.

In addition to the chance to see a roomful of art, created by Iowa artists, many of them from Chickasaw County, cake and ice cream will be served, door prizes handed out and music will be played by the Summer-Fredericksburg Jazz Band.

Board members, who represent four area cities, have been busy putting the final touches on the birthday bash.

The current board members include:

Fredericksburg — Sheryl Ross, Mary Sharon Peraud, Cheryl Mulder, Bev Steege, Kathy Schmadeke, Keith Kreun, Rose Nordaas, Marlene Sowers, Joan Schultz, Joe Peraud, Robin Reisner, Linda Rosulek and Barb Sowers.

Lawler — Sherri Achen and Rod Flaskerud.

Hawkeye — Suzan Farrell.

New Hampton — Dave Prehm and Nancy Morris.

And it’s not just the gallery that benefits.

The can’t-miss mural painted by Dan Hatala and David Prehm that can be seen those traveling into the small town from the east and the metal moving sculpture in Railroad Park were Plum Creek projects and plans are in the works for a stunning upgrade to the gallery building facade.

Before board members got back to work planning the art center’s birthday party, they were asked if they were all artists.

More than a few smiles could be seen and even a laugh or two.

No, they are not, but that doesn’t mean there aren’t other ways they can use their talents to promote the center.

“It takes more than an artist to run an art center,” said Sherri Achen. “Just look at all the committees on this sheet. We have artists, ArtsCool, classes, events, community art, purchasing, grants, hospitality, inventory, publicity and social media. It does take a village.”

And maybe Marlene Sowers put it best.

“You don’t need to be an artist to appreciate art.”

And for 10 years, the artists and non-artists have done just that at the Plum Creek Art Center/Connie Mohr Gallery.

“It has been such a worthwhile experience to be a part of,” said Mary Sharon Peraud, “and it’s worth celebrating.”

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT PETER BRINCKS, Deceased.
CASE NO. ESPR003235
NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR,
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Robert Peter Brincks, Deceased, who died on or about August 15, 2024:
You are hereby notified that on September 11, 2024, the last will and testament of Robert Peter Brincks, deceased, bearing date of April 17, 2017, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Jeff T. Brincks was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated September 11, 2024
Jeff T. Brincks, Executor of estate
Address: 2036 11th Ave. SE, Apt. C Rochester, MN 55904

Nathaniel W. Schwickerath, ICIS#: AT0007110
Attorney for executor
Schwickerath P.C.
2069 170th Street
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

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Fredericksburg resident Connie Mohr (seated) talks with guests at the grand opening of the Plum Creek Art Center/Connie Mohr Gallery during the grand opening of the facility on May 10, 2014.

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City of Alta Vista Council Meeting Monday, September 9, 2024

The regular meeting for the City Council of Alta Vista convened on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Adam Roethler, Kayla Pride, Rick Heying, and Amy Laures in the Alta Vista City Hall. Samantha Slick was absent. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burt Ostert.

Agenda was discussed. Laures made the motion, seconded by Pride to approve the agenda. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

August 12, 2024 regular meeting minutes were discussed. There was a correction on the LP Bids. The word Stacyville should be removed after IAS. Laures made the motion, seconded by Pride to approve the August 12, 2024 regular meeting minutes with the corrections. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

Citizen Forum was discussed. Barb McAvoy was present to discuss a tree trimming letter she had received. Barb also spoke about how we should help our neighbors when they need it. She also suggested the City publish the minutes in the AV Shopper or at the Post Office for easier access for the community to read. City attorney was discussed.

Fire Department was discussed. The Fire Department will hold their annual pancake breakfast on October 13, 2024.

Library was discussed. The Library is graciously donating their CD worth nearly \$10,000.00 to the City to help insulate and side the Library.

Budget amendment was discussed. A budget amendment is needed. Will set date and time at the October meeting.

S White and W Weber ST project was discussed. The County is putting a 2” overlay on S White and E Weber St within the month. This is to prolong the road until it is replaced in 2028.

Insurance claim was discussed. Clerk will contact other contractors for quotes to repair City Hall and Fire Department roof from the damages caused by the communication tower falling.

Nuisance properties were discussed. Mayor Burt is waiting for a response from the County Assessor about 302 S White Ave.

Ordinance book was discussed. Trees were discussed. Almost all trees in town have been trimmed. 2 homeowners that still need to trim their trees are waiting for the tree service to do theirs.

Sidewalks were discussed. Dale suggested waiting until trees are removed as most sidewalk issues are caused by tree roots.

Audit was discussed. The company that did the City audit in 2018, O’Connor, Brooks & Co., P.C., stated that an audit would cost \$25,000.00 and an examination would cost \$8,000.00. They suggest that an examination and audit is not necessary as there seems to be no reasons to do one.

Delinquents were discussed. Water was discussed. Sewer was discussed.

Streets were discussed. River City Paving, the company doing the 2” overlay, provide a quote for \$7,919.00 to do patch jobs and fix the dip on E Washington. Council will use LOST funds to cover the costs. Laures made the motion, seconded by Roethler to do the patch work and fix the dip in the road. Roll call vote. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

Street Finance Report was discussed. Resolution 2024-9-9 approving the FY 2024 Street Finance Report was read. Roethler made the motion, seconded by Pride to approve Resolution 2024-9-9. Roll call vote. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

Sanitation was discussed. Jendro is increasing garbage rates by 3%. Heying made the motion, seconded by Laures to accept the rate increase. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried. The new rates are as follow: \$14.32 for 35 gal, \$16.44 for 65 gal, \$18.43 for 95 gal, and \$1.88 for a bag. This will go into effect in October.

Parks were discussed. Municipal Hall was discussed.

Electric was discussed. Financial reports were present. Clerk provided a balance sheet for the last fiscal year and a balance sheet for July and August. Clerk also provided a profit and loss document for the last fiscal year. Heying made the motion, seconded by Roethler to accept both the balance sheets and profit and loss documents. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

Roethler made the motion, seconded by Heying to approve the disbursements. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures.

Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

August Disbursements
To Whom, Amt, Purpose
AV Express, \$288.08, Fuel
Croell, \$3,015.00, Concrete
INROCG, \$122.58, Membership Dues
Iowa One Call, \$11.70, Locates
Jendro Sanitation, \$1,445.48, Garbage
John Deere Financial, \$97.46, Herbicide, Sprayer, Seat Cover, DEF
Macqueen, \$650.50, SCBA Flow Testing
Microbac Laboratories, Inc., \$261.25, Drinking Water Analysis
New Hampton Tribune, \$111.11, Publications
Schwickerath PC, \$145.01, Legal Services
Speicher Excavating Inc, \$13,500.00, Intake Replacement
Stanton Electric LLC, \$1,825.38, Reconnect House, Power pole by AgVantage
Wagoner Bros Repair, \$602.69, Filters
Hawkins, Inc, \$1,669.06, Chemicals
Macqueen, \$ 43,226.59, SCBAs
Amy Laures, \$19.56, Mileage
Lance Hangartner Tree Service, \$2,750.00, Tree Removal
Leisure Time, \$15.94, Water Shipment
Microbac Laboratories, Inc., \$42.50, Drinking Water Analysis
Lentz Excavating, \$60.00, Waste- Dirt and Concrete
City of Alta Vista, \$293.67, Utilities
Alliant Energy, \$14,585.15, Electric Purchase
Holthaus, Jarrett, \$502.87, 7/21-8/3
Buchholtz, Dale W, \$1,194.66, 7/21-8/3
Wellmark, \$778.67, Health Insurance
US Treasury, \$1,758.86, Withholdings
State of IA, \$311.79, Sales Tax
State of IA, \$180.56, WET Tax
IPERS, \$1,022.38, Withholdings
State of IA, \$120.93, WET Tax Correction
Windstream, \$212.56, Telephone/Internet
Jarrett Holthaus, \$548.38, 8/4-8/17
Buchholtz, Dale W, \$1,194.66, 8/4-8/17
Rick Heying, \$46.17, 8/12 Meeting
Amy Laures, \$46.12, 8/12 Meeting
Kayla Pride, \$46.12, 8/12 Meeting
Samantha Slick, \$46.17, 8/12 Meeting
Burt Ostert, \$92.35, Mayor Pay
..... \$92,841.96
Library Account
Taylor-Griffin, Crystal, \$234.32, 7/21-8/3
Flatjord, Christina, \$196.96, 7/21-8/3
Patricia Halvorson, \$49.00, Wages
VISA, \$316.56, Supplies

City of Alta Vista, \$53.62, Utilities
Center Point Large Print, \$93.21, Books
AV Shopper, \$294.00, Advertising
Taylor-Griffin, Crystal, \$367.63, 8/4-8/17
Flatjord, Christina, \$249.32, 8/4-8/17
City of Alta Vista, \$586.90, Payroll Liability
Windstream, \$132.31, Telephone/Internet
..... \$2,573.83
..... \$95,415.79
August Disbursements
General..... \$54,102.18
Road Use Taxes \$17,453.03
Snow Removal \$ -
Water..... \$1,196.96
Water Control..... \$1,787.50
Sewer..... \$1,161.03
Electric..... \$17,141.26
Library..... \$2,573.83
Economic Development..... \$ -
Debt Services \$ -
Total \$95,415.79
August Receipts
General..... \$37,266.50
Option Tax \$27.91
Road Use Tax \$5,385.54
Water..... \$3,094.03
Sewer..... \$2,160.89
Electric..... \$14,747.30
Utility Deposits \$ -
Debt Service \$ -
Economic Development..... \$0.39
Library- Account..... \$86.48
Library- County \$18,608.90
Library- City \$ -
Library- State \$ -
Library Donations \$ -
Library Sales \$ -
Sales \$ -
Transfers In \$ -
Total \$81,377.94
Council and Mayor concerns were discussed.

Laures made the motion, seconded by Heying to adjourn at 7:53 pm. Ayes: Roethler, Pride, Heying, Laures. Nays: none. Absent: Slick. Motion carried.

The next council meeting will be Monday October 14, 2024 at 6:00 PM at Alta Vista City Hall.
Burt Ostert, Mayor
Attest:
Jarrett Holthaus, City Clerk

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
The City Council of Ionia met in regular session Monday, September 9, 2024, at 7:00 pm in City Hall.

Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch present. Also present were Clerk Donna Geerts, Carla Rosenbaum, Bob Havner, Library Director Ian Watson, Library Board President Erin Phillips, and Isaiah Corbin-INROCG. Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order.

Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Day to open the Public Hearing at 7:00 pm ON THE STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES FOR THE IONIA WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor asked if there were any oral or written objections or comments. Isaiah Corbin, INROCG, discussed the status of funding and project.

A General Description of the Project and its Accomplishments to Date:
The above-mentioned project involves improvements to the City of Ionia’s wastewater treatment plant and related infrastructure. As identified in the engineer’s facility plan, the proposed project will include controlled discharge lagoon improvements, lagoon control structures, pipework improvements, sludge removal, as well as sanitary sewer improvements including slip lining, manhole rehabilitation, and pipe repairs. This Project was identified as a result of a needs assessment, DNR requirements, and independent engineering report completed in February 2022.

In September 2022, the City submitted a funding application for CDBG funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program as administered by the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA). The City was awarded \$226,000 in CDBG funding from IEDA for this project in February 2023, which was the entire amount requested by the city. The CDBG funds are being matched to local funds from the city through the state revolving loan fund program.

The economic impact of this project includes reducing rising water rates and ensuring the vitality of the wastewater treatment system.

The project’s location is the City’s wastewater treatment plant, southeast of town. The Project Engineer is Snyder Engineering; the Prime or General contractor is Blazek Corporation and Municipal Pipe and Tool; and the CDBG Grant Administrator is INROCG.

Summary of the Expenditures through May 31, 2024 (through CDBG Draw #4):
The total project budget was estimated to cost \$718,540. In addition to \$226,000 in CDBG funds, the city provided \$492,540 in local funds. The table below is a summary of project expenses, through June 30, 2024.
Total, Matching Funds, CDBG Funds Budget, \$718,540, \$492,540, \$226,000
Expended to Date, \$395,251.08, \$268,472.32, \$129,009

Remaining, \$323,288.92, \$224,067.68, \$96,991
A General Description of the Remaining Work:
• Construction completion on project site.
• Complete and submit necessary reports and financial reimbursement requests to IEDA.
• Continue Davis-Bacon (prevailing wage rate) requirement monitoring implementation.
• Complete IEDA Monitoring Visit of the project.
• Conduct overall CDBG project closeout.
• Complete Project Audit, if necessary.

A General Description of the Changes Made to the Project Budget, Performance Targets, Activity Schedules, Project Scope, Location, Objectives, or Beneficiaries
• Project Budget: To date, this project is on-schedule, with substantial completion being tentatively set for the end of November 2024 (IEDA Contract Expires on February 28, 2026).
• Project Scope: The scope has remained the same as the initial grant application, as defined in the Description above.
• Location: The location of the project site has remained as it was originally identified.
• Objectives/Beneficiaries: These have not changed since submittal of the CDBG application. The objective of addressing LMI needs within the City. The project beneficiaries and residents of the City of Ionia have not changed since the CDBG application was submitted.
After discussion and being there were no objections, motion by Day and seconded by Holthaus to close Public Hearing at 7:06 pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Day, seconded by Holthaus to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2024, meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to approve the claims. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Alliant Energy..... \$1331.68
Black Hills \$ 75.46
Library Acct \$2668.87
Payroll \$3753.13
EFTPS, fed/FICA tax \$1113.91
IPER \$888.35
Jendro, recycling \$604.59
Brian Sigler, mlg 1162.5 \$558.00
New Hampton Tribune, pub \$ 98.14
Cooley Sanitation, park restroom rental \$ 95.00
John Deere Financial, bolts \$ 34.99

Microbac Lab, tests \$ 67.50
Iowa DNR, annl ww permit fee \$ 210.00
20/20 FX, laptop battery \$ 234.00
INROCG, CDBG July admin exp \$1486.29
Municipal Pipe Tool Co, Pay #2, ww project \$50,148.13
Chickasaw Co Ag Extension, CIC reg .. \$ 90.00
V21 Dust Control, dust control/city shed \$ 225.00
Randy Taylor, mtg mlg 157.38 .. \$ 75.54
Iowa DOT, custodial supplies .. \$ 204.40
Total \$63,962.98
Total Revenues \$54,250.21
RECEIVED, FUND, DISBURSED bank
\$8,239.84, General, \$13,329.89
\$1,460.61, Road Use, \$0
\$2,955.75, Water, \$6,428.82
\$ 41,593.82, Sewer, \$9,545.60
\$ 19, Savings Int
Motion by Geerts, seconded by Rausch to approve the monthly financial report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor reported the water and wastewater calculations.

Public comment: Rosenbaum stated there would be a Day of Play at the Ionia Park on September 14, 2024, with games, prizes, and lunch for families.

Library Board President Phillips requested to move funds from library savings account to 2 cds at Fidelity Bank & Trust.

Motion by Geerts, seconded by Day under the direction of the library board to open two cds at Fidelity Bank & Trust, one cd for \$100,000 @ 5% for 9 months, one for \$50,000 @ 4% for 19 months, taking the funds from the library savings account. Roll call: Ayes: Geerts, Day. Nays: Crooks, Rausch, Holthaus. Motion failed.

After a lengthy discussion, Clerk stated current interest rate for the library savings is at 4.97% with APY at 5.22% and stated rates and terms of two cds from First Security Bank & Trust, rates and terms were different, after calculation First Security Bank & Trust cds may come out better in the end but terms and rates were not the same. First Security Bank & Trust’s rates and terms of CDs were shared by Clerk with Library Board President September 9 to review, and Library Board President stated the motion was to open 2 cds with Fidelity Bank unless First Security Bank would exceed or match those rates and terms. Clerk explained the council should agree to the library board making a choice to move or invest library funds as they see fit.

Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Geerts under the direction of the library board to open two cds at Fidelity Bank & Trust, one cd for \$100,000 @ 5% for 9 months and one cd for \$50,000 @ 4% for 19 months, taking the funds from the library savings account, and naming Mayor Randy Taylor and City Clerk Donna Geerts as authorized signers on the account/cds. Roll call: Ayes: Geerts, Day, Rausch, Holthaus. Nays: Crooks. Motion carried.

Council Member Holthaus introduced the following resolution and

moved its adoption, seconded by Day. Resolution 24-18 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING LIST OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE DEPOSITORIES OF THE CITY OF IONIA FUNDS AND ESTABLISH MAXIMUM DEPOSIT AMOUNTS. The roll call resulted as follows: Ayes: Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch. Nays: Crooks. Resolution adopted. This is a summary of Resolution 24-18. The complete text can be obtained at the City Clerk’s office.

FY 23/24 Financial Report reviewed and discussed. Summary of report was published in the paper September 5, 2024 and detailed report will be filed with State Auditor. Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to approve the 2024 Financial Report and authorize Mayor’s signature on the report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor instructed Clerk to send letters to residents in violation of Junk and Junk Vehicles Ordinance. Council/Mayor will review properties and discuss at October meeting.

No residents present for hearing on delinquent water accounts. Disconnect notices will be posted.

Discussed letter received from Jendro Sanitation requesting rate adjustment to invoice effective October 1, 2024. New large bag rate will be \$1.94, current city charge is \$1.80 and new small bag rate will be \$1.26, current city charge is \$1.15. Consensus of the council of no rate increase to the residents at this time.

Motion by Geerts, seconded by Day to review approve, and authorize Mayor’s signature on Pay Request #2-Loan 1 for work on the Sanitary Sewer System Improvements project in the amount of \$50,148.13 to Municipal Pipe Tool Co LLC. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor gave update on wastewater treatment and sanitary sewer improvements project. Contractor would like to continue with sludge removal process before October 15, 2024. If this process is started before October 15, there will be additional fees for testing. Consensus of the council to have Mayor contact Blazek Corporation and see if this process should be started before October 15 and work with contractor and Wastewater Operator Sigler after Blazek’s recommendation.

Semi-annual Emergency Medical Services (EMS) meeting will be September 18, 2024, at Community Services Building-New Hampton at 6:30 pm to discuss developments and share updates on EMS services.

Motion by Day, seconded by Holthaus to adjourn at 8:38 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Randy Taylor, Mayor
Attest: Donna Geerts, City Clerk

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY BOARD ROOM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 5:15 P.M.

The members of the Telecommunications Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. in the Telecommunications Office at 112 East Main Street, New Hampton. Board members present were Dahl, Anderson, Babcock, Berns. Cantu was absent. General Manager Brian Quirk, Attorney O'Donohoe and City Clerk Karen Clemens were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Anderson at 5:36 p.m.

Moved by Berns; seconded by Babcock; that the agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Cantu. Motion carried.

Moved by Babcock, seconded by Dahl; that the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 12, 2024, be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Cantu. Motion carried.

Moved by Dahl; seconded by Berns; that claims in the amount of \$68,224.14 be approved as presented. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Cantu. Motion carried.

Moved by Dahl, seconded by Berns; that the Finance Reports for August 2024, be approved. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Cantu. Motion carried.

Moved by Babcock, seconded by Berns; that RESOLUTION NO. 66 A RESOLUTION NAMING DEPOSITORIES be approved. Ayes – Dahl, Anderson, Babcock, Berns. Nays – None. Absent – Cantu. Resolution approved.

Depository Name, Location of Home Office, Maximum Balance in Effect

First Citizens Bank, Mason City, Iowa ..	\$7,000,000
Fidelity Bank & Trust, Dubuque, Iowa ..	\$7,000,000
Luana Savings Bank, Luana, Iowa	\$7,000,000
Bank Iowa, West Des Moines, Iowa	\$7,000,000
Security State Bank, New Hampton	\$7,000,000

As a result of the annual financial audit conducted by Hacker Nelson this past week, it was suggested to

made a clarification to Resolution #48 which allowed for payroll from the Telecom Utility to the employees in the City Clerk's office. Moved by Berns, seconded by Dahl; That RESOLUTION NO. 48 AMENDED – A RESOLUTION APPROVING PAY FOR CITY CLERK'S OFFICE EMPLOYEES, be approved. Ayes – Dahl, Anderson, Babcock, Berns. Nays-None. Absent-Cantu. Resolution approved.

General Manager Report:

1. Sign ups are continuing - Over 1000 customers ;
2. Patriot Communications will be doing more boring.

Moved by Babcock, seconded by Berns; that the meeting adjourn at 5:46 p.m. Ayes – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Cantu. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk

GRANT ANDERSON, Board Chair
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 5:15 P.M.

Iowa Department of Revenue, Sales Tax July	\$1,493.10
Butler Bremer Communications, Voice & Internet	\$634.19
Butler Bremer Communications, Wholesale Voice	\$8,654.25
Five Star Coop, Gas	\$50.30
USA Television, Video Programming	\$1,222.50
Visa, Batteries, Go Daddy Contract, Karr Advertising	\$964.55
Waverly Utilities, 10 Gb Transport	\$899.95
Aureon, Ethernet Transport Service	\$2,685.00
Cedar Falls Utilities, Wholesale Bandwidth	\$6,178.33
Madison National Life Insurance, Term Life, AD&D, Supplemental Life	\$73.85
New Hampton, City of, Utility Bill	\$642.62
US Cellular, iPad Service & Device Payment	\$65.57
Black Hills Energy, Gas Service, \$37.73 Payroll Account, August Salaries	\$21,513.23
Heying, Ron, Customer Reimbursement	\$9.39

BIG Network, Digital Base, Total Base, BTN..... \$343.64

Cedar Falls Utilities, August 28E Agreement Fee..... \$1,223.45

Eide Bailly, LLP, Monthly Microsoft 365

FARR Technologies, Systems Integration, Mapping, Outside Plant

Fiserv CardConnect, Monthly Fee..... \$6,793.50

Innovative Systems, Printing, Mailing, Monthly Fee..... \$4,898.18

Jendro, Refuse Pickup..... \$90.00

M.T.S., Inc., Window Washing

National Content & Technology, Video Programming..... \$7,701.73

New Hampton Tribune, Legal Publication, Women in the Workplace

Zeien-Cox, Nicole, Customer Reimbursement

Reicks, Nona, Customer Reimbursement

Schueth Ace Hardware, Cleaner, Wire Connectors, Supplies..... \$59.63

Showtime Networks, Inc., Showtime Package

SmartSource Consulting, Broadband Consulting May - August... \$202.50

TOTAL TO BE APPROVED..... \$68,224.14

PAYROLL CHECKS WRITTEN SINCE AUGUST 12, 2024

AFLAC, Supplemental Insurance \$48.12

Ameritas Variable Life Insurance, Deferred Comp

Ameritas Variable Life Insurance, Deferred Comp

EFTPS, FICA & Federal Taxes

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Iowa Dept of Revenue, State Withholding Tax

Treasurer, State of Iowa, IPERS

Wellmark, Health & Dental Insurance... \$2,239.84

Total payroll..... \$10,039.62

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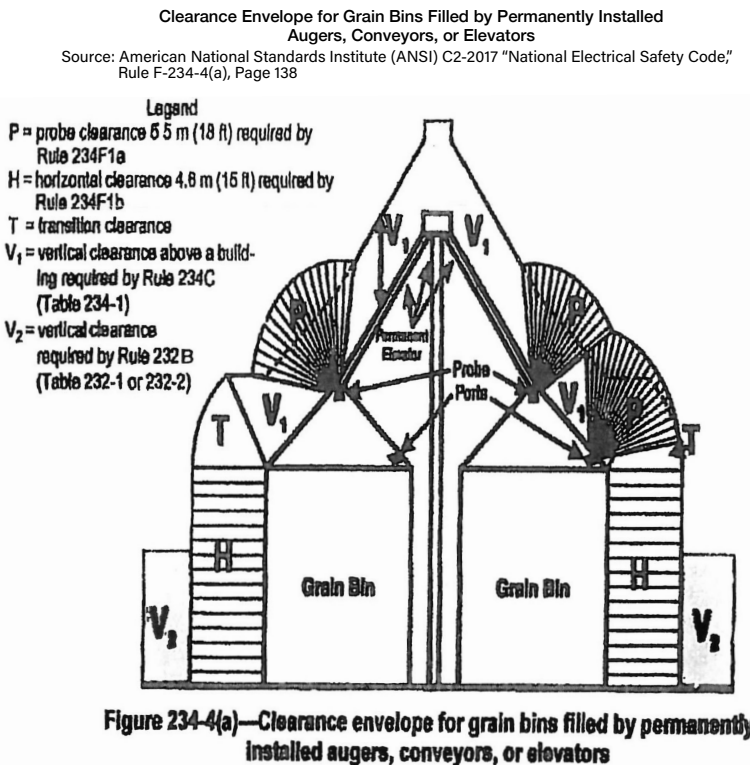
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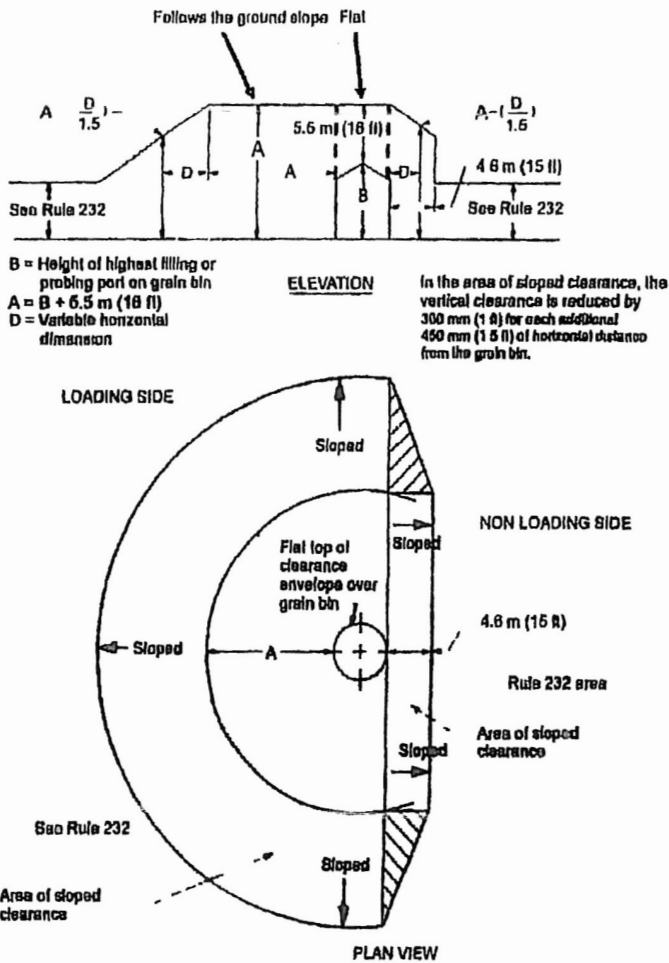
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20/20 FX LLC COM SOFTWARE/ CONTRACT FEE-TREAS/SHERIFF/EMS3,629.40

AG VANTAGE FS INCAV SHOP LP- SEC RDS2,145.00

AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.HR SVCS- CRTHS1,800.00

ALLIANT ENERGY/LEC- CONSV/ SEC RDS1,019.04

ALTA VISTA, CITY OF AV SHOP UTILITIES-SEC RDS65.74

AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES/PP/SCREEN PROTECTORS/PH CASES-SHERIFF444.94

AT&T MOBILITYPH SVC-EMS.....44.92

BOB BARKER COMPANY INC CLOTHING-SHERIFF41.64

BODENSTEINER IMPLEMENT COMPANY/PARTS/FILTERS-SEC RDS242.29

BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC/PAP SYSTEMS/GLOVES/IV SOLUTIONS-EMS381.14

BRENDA KLENK TRANSCRIPT FEES-CLERK OF COURT7.00

BUTLER CO RECELEC/LP-CONSV LOCATIONS578.18

BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO.PH/INTERNET-MULT CO DEPTS1,262.82

CARD SERVICES MV SPPLS/DATA SVCS/RADIO EQUIP-911/EMA773.34

CHAD HUMPALISAC MEAL/PARKING REIMB-CONSV112.29

CHEMSEARCH CUST SPPLS-JAIL.....207.71

CINTAS CORPORATION #762.....

UNIFORMS/BLDG & EQUIP CONSUMABLES-SEC RDS2,098.52

COLLECTION SERVICES CENTER.. COURT RELATED SVCS41.08

CONSOLIDATED ENERGY CODE I E- SEL FUEL - AV & IONIA SHOPS- SEC RDS2,974.68

CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING WATER/COOLER & SOFTENER RENTAL-JAIL/CO ATTY/ TREAS/SEC RDS532.75

DASH MEDICAL GLOVES INC.....GLOVES-SHERIFF305.68

DON'S TRUCK SALES INCPARTS- SEC RDS477.13

EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC TIRES- SEC RDS1,143.44

ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES S A C CONF LODGING-CONSV604.86

EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING/WATER ANALYSIS-CONSV300.00

FAIRHURST, MARK/MAC TOOLS ... PARTS-SEC RDS215.92

FARMERS WIN COOPERATIVE U- EL-SHERIFF/CONSV/SEC RDS2,679.05

FARMLAND HARDWARE/ELECTRIC SUPPLIES AV SHOP-SEC RDS23.99

FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE U E L / HORTICULTURE/SPPLS-SHERIFF/CONSV/SEC RDS/EMA10,022.46

FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF LIGHTING/UTLS-SEC RDS92.85

GALLS PARENT HOLDINGS LLC/PO- LICE SPPLS-SHERIFF47.00

HOEY, KEITH ISAC MLG/MEAL/ PARKING REIMB-ASSR.....

465.19

HOMETOWN PEST CONTROLPEST CONTROL-CRTHS162.89

IMAGING SPECTRUM INC.....PASSPORT PHOTO PAPER-RECORDER353.45

IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK PH/INTERNET-911452.00

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JACOB HACKMAN ..AUG MLG/ LODGING REIMB-BOS.....531.34

JEFF BERNATZ NIRG MTG MEAL-EMA13.69

JENDRO INC ..GARBAGE PICKUP-MULT CO DEPTS ..3,359.07

JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL DISTILLED WATER/SPPLS-CONSV41.13

KENYON HINRICHS/KEN'S WOOD PRODUCTS/WOODEN LATHES- SEC RDS4,452.00

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KWIK TRIP INC FUEL-SHERIFF/ CONSV/GEN SVCS/EMS/EMA5,453.30

L & R MANUFACTURING LLC PARTS/WELDING SPPLS-SEC RDS470.18

LAWSON PRODUCTS INC..E L E C PARTS/GEN SPPLS-SEC RDS500.71

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MAIL SERVICES LLC PRINT/POSTAGE-TREAS1,018.61

MATT BLAESSMEAL REIMB-SHERIFF29.00

MATTHEW YSBRAND MEAL/MLG/ LODGING FOR ISAC CONF-TREAS535.50

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NEW HORIZONS-CHAMBERA U G TOURISM REIMB-NEW HORIZONS CHAMBER1,100.00

ON TRACK SIGNS.....S P P L S / MATERIALS-CONSV.....670.00

PETROBLEND CORPEQUIP/LUBRICANTS-SEC RDS5,004.49

PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL INC. PEST CONTROL-CONSV35.33

POPP EXCAVATING INC RETAINAGE FEE-WATER MAIN EXTENSION PROJ HERITAGE.....7,142.99

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INCOTRLY POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE-CRTHS739.05

QUILL LLC JAIL SPPLS-SHERIFF.....65.98

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RAUSCH BROTHERS TRUCKING OF IONIA LLC 1" ROAD ROCK-CONSV386.05

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SCHEELSNASP SPPLS-CONSV.....105.29

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SHEILA SHEKLETONISAC LODGING/MLG REIMB-AUDITOR831.32

SHIRLEY TROYNAISAC LODGING/ MEALS REIMB-RECORDER.....431.64

SIRCHIE ACQUISITION COMPANY LLC.....FINGER PRINT INK-SHERIFF120.90

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VANGUARD APPRAISALS INC COURT RELATED SVCS-ASSR ..

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VISA PARTS/POSTAGE/SAFETY/ FILTER/GEN SUPPLS/SIGN MAINT-MULT CO DEPTS8,790.70

VISA ...FUEL/MEALS/TRAINING/ RADIO EQUIP-SHERIFF.....1,883.19

WARNER PLASTICS & LINERS PARTS-SEC RDS2,705.00

WAYNE'S TRUCK EQUIP & PART INC TIRE REPAIRS-CONSV230.81

WILLSON & PECHACEK PLC COURT RELATED SVCS-ASSR ..

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Auditor: Voter must request absentee ballot

By BOB FENSKE
editor@nhtrib.com

Those who want to call their local auditor's office and request an absentee ballot request form can only request a form for themselves.

Ditto for those who go to an auditor's office.

During the open comment period of Monday's meeting of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, Auditor Sheila Shekleton said that her office received a reminder from the state Secretary of State's office that "we can only send out an absentee ballot request form if it's requested from the person who is the voter."

So that means, she said, that if, say a husband calls her office and wants to request forms for himself and his wife, it's a "no go."

Shekleton pointed out that request forms are available in the hallway outside her office and that they can also be found online "but as far as the auditor's office, when you call in or stop in, it can just be that one person. ... If they have a spouse they want us to send it to, according to the rules, we have to hear it from that spouse."

Voters have been able to request absentee ballots for this fall's general election since late last month.

However, under state law, auditor offices can't actually mail ballots to homes until early voting starts on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

The general election is set for Tuesday, Nov. 5, when polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



Photos courtesy of Maureen Busta

Lawler Legion Auxiliary meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary Harold Redman Unit 279 of Lawler held a meeting Sept. 9 in which Elleri Eike, Girl's State Citizen shared her experiences of attending Girl's State. Joanna VanDeBerg, outgoing president, congratulates her on this honor.

Installation of officers was also held at the meeting. They are, (below, from left) Nancy DeSloover, president; Mary Jo Sabelka, vice president; Maureen Busta, secretary; Geraldine Busta, chaplain; and Tanya Scott, treasurer.



Briefs

Fundraiser for Brady Einck to be held before homecoming parade

There will be a meal fundraiser on Thursday, Sept. 26 for New Hampton's Brady Einck. In 2022, at the age of 7, Brady was diagnosed with Metachromatic Leukodystrophy (MLD), according to the Facebook page providing updates and MLD awareness.

The meal will be held at the corner of Main and Chestnut, during the farmer's market and prior to the Chickasaw Homecoming parade. Food, including grilled brats, pulled pork sandwiches and moo-mobile shakes will be served from 4-6 p.m., with the parade commencing at 6 p.m.

The Einck family will receive 100 percent of the proceeds of the meal toward the care of Brady.

The New Hampton cross country team will also be selling pumpkins during the event and all proceeds will be donated to the Einck family.

Limited applications for energy assistance to be taken Oct. 1

Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation (NEICAC) will start taking limited applications for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) on Oct. 1.

Households that can apply at that time must have one of the following conditions — a member that is 60 years old or older, a member that is disabled, a written disconnection notice or a heating or electricity source that is currently disconnected.

All other households must wait until Nov. 1 to apply.

LIHEAP customers will need to provide the following when applying for LIHEAP:

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Chickasaw County Farm Bureau's Jessica Rochford (left) and Bodensteiner Implement's Jacob Fritcher (above) discuss the need for "safety first" during Farm Safety Day that was held last week at the Big 4 Fairgrounds.



New Hampton Elementary School fourth-graders have some questions during an electrical safety station led by Butler REC employees.



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Crash course in safety, on and off the farm

Chickasaw County ISU Extension annual Farm Safety Day draws kids from five school districts

By BOB FENSKE
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Jacob Fritcher couldn't help but smile as he was peppered with questions at his tractor safety station last week at the Big 4 Fairgrounds.

"They have a lot of questions, but they're good ones so that's a plus," the Bodensteiner Implement employee said. "We just want them to be safe when they're on the farm and around tractors so the more questions, the better."

It was that kind of Wednesday in Nashua, where Chickasaw County ISU Extension and a plethora of partners put on the annual Farm Safety Day that brought together students from five different schools to learn about safety both on and off the farm.

"It is Farm Safety Day, but really, it's about being safe everywhere," said Makaela Kime, the youth coordinator for Chickasaw County. "It's kind of geared for farms, but it's really more than that with the EMS, the Rescue Squad and people like that sharing their time, too. And that's good because kids need to know that those folks are going to be there to help them no matter where they are."

Students from Turkey Valley, Nashua-Plainfield, New Hampton, St. Joseph Community School and Sumner-Fredericksburg took part in the morning-long event, and the list of presenters that were spread out around the fairgrounds was long.

From Chickasaw County EMS to Nashua Area EMS to Chickasaw County Conservation Board to Butler County Rural Electric Cooperative to Operation Lifesaver to New Hampton FFA students to the men and women of AirCare Air Ambulance to Bodensteiner's Fritcher, the "experts" if you will made their safety



Nashua Area EMS Director Zenda Vikturek (right) talks with Nashua-Plainfield students about how paramedics and EMT use items like braces to treat those injured in accidents.

"I HAD A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO TOLD ME THEY DO THESE KINDS OF THINGS AROUND THE STATE, AND THAT THESE KIDS WERE THE BEST BEHAVED AND MOST RESPECTFUL. THAT SAYS A LOT ABOUT THE STUDENTS AND THE TEACHERS IN OUR AREA."

— CHICKASAW COUNTY ISU EXTENSION YOUTH COORDINATOR MAKAELA KIME

pitches to elementary-aged students.

One reason Farm Safety Day is held is that relatively few students — at least compared to years ago — live on working

farms. Kime said that means when kids are at their friends' house on a farm, they need to know the dangers that are inherent to farm life.

"I think that's a big thing," Kime said. "Even though we live in a farming area, there are kids that are hardly ever on a farm so when they do go hang out with a friend on a farm, they need to know what to be careful about and how to make sure they stay safe."

She said one of the highlights for the youngsters came when the University of Iowa's

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Chickasaw County Conservation Board Naturalist Matt Crayne (above) talks about water safety while New Hampton FFA students Austyn Rosonke and Beth Pickar (right) lead a discussion about farm safety.

Students earn some 'A's' from county youth coordinator

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AirCare ambulance flew into the fairgrounds.

"Hopefully, they'll never have to be on that helicopter," Kime said, "but if they do, they're going to know that the paramedics and the nurses and the pilot are there to help them."

And as much as the kids enjoyed the first field trip of the school year, i.e., they weren't in class, the presenters had just as much fun.

"It's great to see the kids and talk to them about what we do and why we do it," Nashua Area EMS Director Zenda Vikturek said. "Plus, I know they're young, but maybe we get some kids who are interested in working with us down the road, right? At least we planted some seeds today."

As important as the farm safety stations were, so, too, were those that dealt with situations that can happen anywhere.

Take the Butler REC station, where employees talked to students about what they should and should not do in situations like having downed power lines land on, say a school bus.

"They got a lot of good knowledge throughout the day," Kime said, "and hopefully, they'll never have to use it but just in case, hopefully they'll remember something



Chickasaw County Rescue Squad member Michael Graves (above) and Chickasaw County EMS' Bridget Edson (below) were among a number of Farm Safety Day presenters.

they learned at Farm Safety Day."

And best of all, in Kime's mind, was this: The students of New Hampton, St. Joe's, Summer-Fred, Turkey Valley and Nashua-Plainfield deserved A's for conduct and respect.

"I had a number of people who told me they do these kinds of things around the state," Kime said, "and that these kids were the best behaved and most respectful. That says a lot about the students and the teachers in our area."



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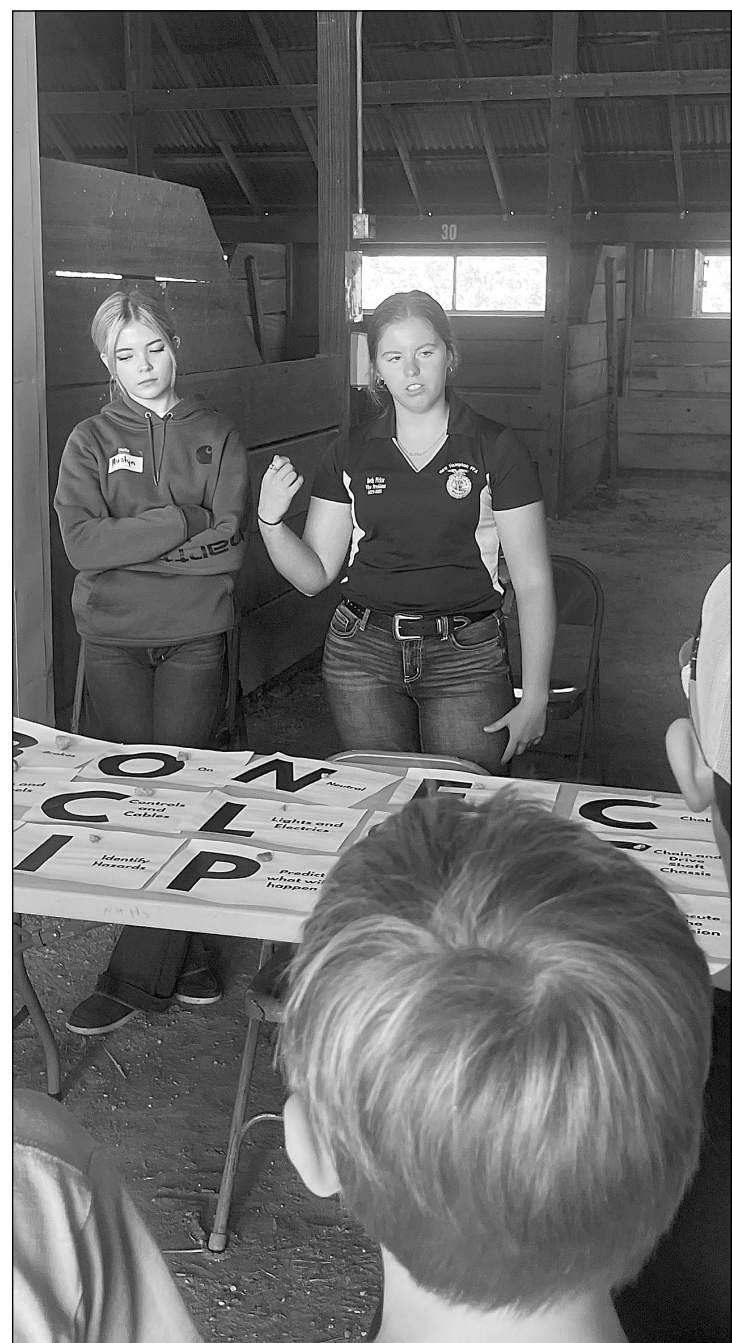
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Numbers are better, but farming's still dangerous

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

In 2016, the agricultural industry had a rate of 21.4 deaths per 100,000 workers, and each day agricultural workers experienced 100 non-fatal, lost-work-time injuries.

The good news is those numbers have declined in recent years, but farming remains a dangerous business.

In 2022, workers in the agriculture still had one of the highest fatal injury rates (18.6 deaths per 100,000 full-time equivalents), compared to 3.7 deaths per 100,000 FTE for all U.S. industries.

Transportation incidents were the leading cause of death for these farmers and farm workers. Other leading causes were violence by other persons or animals and contact with objects and equipment.

In 2022, over half (56%) of deaths in the agriculture industry occurred to workers 55 years of age and older.

Agricultural dangers are not limited to North America.

In Ireland, farm accidents have increased by 13 percent in the last five years and by 31 percent in the last decade, according to a national survey of farm accidents conducted by the Teagasc National Farm Survey. Furthermore, 97 percent of all farm accident victims required medical treatment.

Farms are dangerous places, and while carelessness can and does contribute to many incidents, accidents also take place during routine, seemingly safe activities.

These farm safety guidelines can help lower the risk of injuries.

Know farm equipment

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

Conduct routine safety checks

Look around buildings and grounds for obvi-



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While the number of deaths and injuries in the agricultural industry have gone down in recent years, farming still remains one of the most dangerous ways to make a living in the United States.

ous hazards, such as fire hazards and hazardous materials, including farm chemicals that are not stored correctly.

Practice cleanliness

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

Be mindful of your clothing and hair

Many accidents involve a power take-off system, or PTO, which is a common component of large rotary mowers, tractors and forage choppers.

Clothing can easily get caught in an engaged but unguarded PTO stub. It's easy for laces or coveralls to become wrapped around a spinning stub shaft. The PTO driveline and other protr-

sion points also can be dangerous if people do not pay attention.

Use rollover protection structures

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

Avoid extra passengers

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

Exercise caution when handling chemicals

Take extra precautions when handling any chemicals, including pesticides.

Wear protective gear

Wear appropriate gear and equipment as outlined by NIOSH or the Mine Safety and Health Administration. Make sure the skin, feet, ears, eyes, and hands are protected at all times.

Employ lock out/tag out control

This is a process where one can work on equipment only after every energy source has been controlled, such as hydraulic, pneumatic, mechanical, and electrical, according to Rural Mutual Insurance Company. Turning off equipment and using certain controls or locks on devices can prevent equipment from restarting before it is safe to do so.

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



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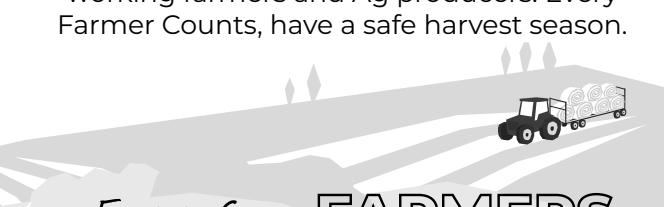
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As harvest season approaches, let's put safety first

Six tips we should maintain throughout the season

Safety should be a major concern for all farmers during harvest, but as the season goes on, it can be easy to miss details or neglect safe practices that can put you or others at risk.

Here are six simple safety tips offered by Iowa State University Extension to maintain throughout the season to keep yourself and your crew out of harm's way.

1. Keep your machine's safety features, mirrors and windows clean both in and out of the field

Grain carts are one of the most commonly used pieces of equipment during harvest, but they also have the most potential for blind spots. With few lights on the back of the cart and large areas of obstructed visibility, it's important to keep the safety features available in good working order. Check your cart's turn signal and brake lights prior to leaving each field to ensure safe operation down the road.

Be sure to regularly wipe any dust or debris from safety reflectors, lights and mirrors on your grain cart both in the field and on the road, as well as those on your combine, tractor and gravity wagons. If your cart or wagon doesn't come with turn signal lights, a backup strobe like this one can be used to make your implement more visible in low light situations. Keep glass cleaner and paper towels or rags in your cab to clean your machine daily, and prevent accidents that can occur from not seeing a car or other obstacle on the road.

Replace any reflectors that are not in good condition at the start of harvest season and clean reflectors and lights regularly.

2. Inspect your PTO's safety shields for all operation

The Power Take Off (PTO) can cause severe injury without proper safety precautions. NEVER step over the PTO shaft, either while it is running or when it is not in operation. This includes a tractor and grain cart combination as well as a tractor attached to an auger against a grain bin. It is always better to take few extra seconds and walk around the equipment.

Inspect the guards on the PTO shaft every season. With the tractor turned off and the key stored in the operator's pocket, use one hand to spin the shield 360°. If the guard can spin without stopping or turning the power drive train, the shield is working properly. If the guard does catch or rub at any point in time, the guard should be repaired or replaced before being put back into service. Don't forget to check the PTO shafts on the combine head as well to prevent crop from getting tangled around the shaft.

3. Look out for stray metal and other debris

Be observant as you harvest your fields and watch out for large debris that could seriously damage your machines and slow down your harvest. If you do experience a plug in your corn head, follow this procedure to safely remove it.



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A farmer brings in beans during the 2023 harvest season, and as our growers get ready for another harvest season, this is just your friendly reminder that we all need to be safe as farmers bring in their crops.

- Bring the combine to a stop and back up a few feet so the head of the combine is located over harvested crop.
- Bring the combine's threshing element to a slow speed on idle.
- Open the deck plates as wide as they will go.
- Using the reverser switch for the head, lightly bump the switch in reverse a few times to see if the plugged material becomes dislodged. If the material does not become dislodged, stop running the head. Constant running of the head can cause damage to the slip clutch, making it weak and creating excess heat.

- Follow the combine lockout procedure before ever working around or under a raised combine head. Make sure all hydraulics and shafts are removed from the combine and safety cylinder block/stops are applied.
- Using cut resistant gloves, grab a handful of material at a time and slowly begin pulling it out of the snapping rolls. Be careful; there is likely to be something lodged in the snap rolls and it could be sharp objects such as nails or sheet metal.

4. Be aware of your crew's location

A good practice is to honk the horn of the combine or tractor three times before starting the machine or engaging the components so other members of your crew know the machine is moving, and to give them time to move out of the way and remove themselves from moving parts.

5. Check your tow ropes and chains when extracting stuck equipment

While not every area in the state may have this problem each season, it's important to know how to stay safe when pulling out a stuck tractor or combine.

When possible, use tow ropes in good condition instead of chains. If only chains are avail-

able, inspect them to make sure both ends are in good condition and the chain itself does not have any broken, bent or weak links. Be sure that the machine you pull with and the chain are large enough to tow the weight of the stuck machine.

Never stand between a stuck vehicle and the implement towing it. Chains and ropes can break and will seriously injure anyone in their path. It's best to stand far way and communicate with the operator of the equipment using either cell phones or two-way radios.

6. Be conscious of your mental health and seek help when necessary

There is a growing concern about mental

health in the agriculture and farming community, and a harvest season with unusual circumstances like this year can cause additional stress.

Be mindful of your own mental health, as well as that of your employees, co-workers and family.

For help dealing with stress, disaster relief and legal matters, refer to www.extension.iastate.edu/iowaconcern/ or call 1-800-447-1985.

Continue to keep up with these practices as you go through the harvest season. By using these tips and maintaining awareness of your surroundings, you can protect yourself, your investment and others on the road and in the field for a safe harvest season.

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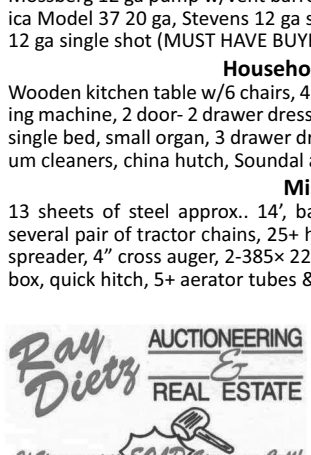
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Chickasaws' offense solid in final non-district game

NH FOOTBALL: FROM 20

in the game's final minute. It was part of a solid night for the senior quarterback, who was 17-for-28 for 192 yards and also had several solid gains on designed runs.

"Reid did a nice job," Pemble said. "He made some really nice throws, and he was a threat in the running game, which we are going to need. Offensively, we moved the ball pretty well; we just couldn't finish at times."

New Hampton finished with 360 total yards of offense, and the running game was led by senior Beau Serie, who ran for 89 hard-fought yards on 20 carries while Kale Venem finished with 77 yards on five fourth-quarter carries.

New Hampton's defense was led by sophomore Jackson Kellogg, who was credited with eight tackles. Bryce Usher finished with 6.5 while Tristin Willadsen had four.

But for the most part, this was a game New Hampton probably wants to "flush" and move on to the Class 2A, District 3 opener with Osage. The Green Devils fell to 1-2 with a 35-6 loss to fifth-ranked Dike-New Hartford.

"We all start 0-0," Pemble said. "We need our guys to learn what we can learn from, move on and come back a better foot-

ball team against Osage. I know I said it before the season starts, but I'll say it again. Our focus has to be on improvement."

MFL MARMAC 62, NEW HAMPTON 20
MFL 13 14 21 14 - 62
NH 0 7 7 6 - 20

FIRST QUARTER
MFL - Carter Stoddard 66 run (Ben Krambeer kick), 9:24.
MFL - Stoddard 1 run (run failed), 1:24.

SECOND QUARTER
MFL - Quinn McGeough 21 run (Krambeer kick), 6:58.
MFL - McGeough 6 run (Krambeer kick), 9:18.
NH - Beau Serie 1 run (Jay Pickar kick), 3:47.

THIRD QUARTER
MFL - Eli Hanson 41 run (Krambeer kick), 6:58.
NH - Adam Ewert 67 pass from Reid Rausch (Pickar kick), 5:33.
MFL - McGeough 65 run (Krambeer kick), 5:22.
MFL - Eli Hanson 76 run (Krambeer kick), 0:39.

FOURTH QUARTER
MFL - McGeough 7 run (Krambeer kick), 8:34.
MFL - Kashton Decker 47 run (Hanson kick), 2:50.
NH - Caden Rockford 13 pass from Rausch (kick failed), 0:28.

TEAM STATS	MFL	NH
First downs	13	14
Rushes-yards	39-504	36-168
Passing yards	36	192
Total yards	540	360
Att-Comp-Int	7-2-0	28-17-1

NEW HAMPTON STATISTICS
Rushing - Beau Serie 20-89, Kale Venem 5-77, Reid Rausch 11-2.
Passing - Rausch 17-28-1 - 192.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton's Emmett Kuehner comes up to make a tackle during Friday night's game against MFL MarMac.

Receiving - Adam Ewert 5-125, Tate Schwickerath 5-25, Peyton Erlandson 2-25, Jay Pickar 3-7, Caden Rochford 1-13, Bryce Flugum 1-(-3).
Tackles - Jackson Kellogg 8, Bryce Usher 6.5, Tristin Willadsen 4, Serie 3, Emmett Kuehner 3, Ryan Willadsen 2.5, Schwickerath 2, Isaac Vidales 2, Cargin Robinson 1.5, Ewert 1.5, Cade Carpenter 1.5, Cad. Rochford 1.5, Erlandson 0.5, Roy Barron 0.5, Kyson Kielman 0.5, Venem 0.5.
Tackles for loss - Kellogg 1, Venem 0.5, Usher 0.5, Viladles 0.5, Erlandson 0.5.
Sacks - Usher 0.5, Kellogg 0.5, Erlandson 0.5.
Fumble recoveries - Schwickerath 0.5.
Kickoff returns - Serie 1-28.
Kickoffs - Pickar 4-35.3.
Punts - Venem 4-32.8.

Turkey Valley gets UIC victory in its home opener

TV VOLLEYBALL: FROM 20

where the cream will rise to the top and UIC frontrunners will make themselves known.

TV took on NFV at the Crestwood Invite on Saturday and those NFV TigerHawks turned back the Trojans by a score of 21-18 and 21-8.

But TV also thoroughly dominated another league foe in the weekend get-together in Cresco in the form of Kee High, which the Trojans won going away over the Hawks with a sweep of 21-4 and 21-9.

Turkey Valley (4-6, 1-0) also topped Riceville, 22-20 and 21-14, but fell to the host Cadets, 21-13, 21-19.

That 2-2 effort allowed TV to tie for third place.

"The girls are starting to come together and play as a team," said Vrzak. "All the hitters came to play."

TV was 40-42 serving versus Riceville and missed just one serve (40-41) in the match against Kee.

"Our serving was fantastic and Morgan Vsetecka did a super job digging in the back row!" said Vrzak.

Vsetecka, a senior libero, produced 48 digs in the four matches over at Cresco.

Back to TV's lone conference match so far this fall against Central (4-13, 0-1) - which was TV's first home match of the season.

"We had our first home game and playing it in our gym felt good!" said Vrzak.

TV junior setter Addison Steinlage amassed 23 assists in the Central match and sent down three aces.

"Steinlage made some key sets and plays," said Vrzak.

Vrzak said the Trojans played defense very well.

Vsetecka racked up 31 digs and junior Layni Schuchhardt tallied 23 digs. Steinlage record-



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley's Layni Schuchhardt gets ready to blast a serve during the New Hampton Invitational that was held earlier this month.

ed 15 digs and junior Karstyn Lukes came up with 11 digs.

Up near the net, junior outside hitter Annika Bodensteiner led the charge with nine kills and senior middle Kinsey Reicks threw down eight kills against the Warriors.

Reicks was TV's top hitter at Cresco with 14 kills. Schuchhardt and Bodensteiner each generated 13 kills apiece.

Steinlage was 36-36 serving with four aces and Reicks was 30-31 serving with three aces.

TV gets a rematch tonight (Thursday) with NFV in West Union.

TRIPOLI 2, TURKEY VALLEY 0
Tripoli 21 22
Turkey Valley 14 20
Kills - Kinsey Reicks 3, Layni Schuchhardt 2, Annika Bodensteiner 2, Addison Steinlage 1.
Assists - Steinlage 5, Morgan Vsetecka 1.
Digs - Vsetecka 14, Schuchhardt 10, Steinlage 5, Alexis Elsbernd 5, Reicks 1, Karstyn Lukes 1, Bodensteiner 1.

Blocks - Reicks 3, Schuchhardt 1, Delaney Busta 1.
Serving - Reicks 5-5, Steinlage 8-8, Schuchhardt 11-12, Elsbernd 4-5, Lukes 2-2, Vsetecka 3-3.
Aces - Schuchhardt 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 3, CENTRAL ELKADER 1
Central Elkader 22 18 25 18
Turkey Valley 25 25 23 25
Kills - Bodensteiner 9, Reicks 8, Schuchhardt 5, Busta 5, Lukes 4, Steinlage 3.
Assists - Steinlage 23, Elsbernd 2, Vsetecka 1, Bodensteiner 1.
Digs - Vsetecka 31, Schuchhardt 23, Steinlage 15, Lukes 11, Elsbernd 5, Bodensteiner 3, Reicks 1, Busta 1.
Blocks - Reicks 3, Busta 2, Lukes 1.
Serving - Reicks 9-12, Steinlage 23-23, Schuchhardt 14-17, Elsbernd 14-15, Lukes 9-10, Vsetecka 9-13.
Aces - Steinlage 3, Reicks 2, Schuchhardt 1, Elsbernd 1, Vsetecka 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 2, KEE HIGH 0
Turkey Valley 21 21
Kee High 4 9
Kills - Bodensteiner 7, Schuchhardt 4, Lukes 4, Reicks 3, Steinlage 2, Busta 2, Ella Ives 2.
Assists - Steinlage 18, Schuchhardt

1, Vsetecka 1.
Digs - Schuchhardt 13, Vsetecka 13, Reicks 8, Steinlage 2, Elsbernd 2, Ives 2, Lukes 1.
Blocks - Lukes 1.
Serving - Reicks 12-12, Steinlage 14-14, Schuchhardt 6-6, Elsbernd 6-7, Vsetecka 2-2.
Aces - Steinlage 4, Reicks 3, Schuchhardt 1, Elsbernd 1, Vsetecka 1.

CRESTWOOD 2, TURKEY VALLEY 0
Turkey Valley 13 19
Crestwood 21 21
Kills - Bodensteiner 3, Reicks 1, Lukes 1, Vsetecka 1, Ives 1.
Assists - Steinlage 7.
Digs - Schuchhardt 11, Lukes 6, Vsetecka 6, Steinlage 4, Elsbernd 4, Reicks 2, Ives 1.
Blocks - Steinlage 1, Lukes 1.
Serving - Reicks 6-7, Steinlage 4-4, Schuchhardt 2-4, Elsbernd 11-11, Lukes 2-3, Vsetecka 3-3.

TURKEY VALLEY 2, RICEVILLE 0
Riceville 20 14
Turkey Valley 22 21
Kills - Reicks 7, Schuchhardt 5, Bodensteiner 3, Lukes 1, Ives 1.
Assists - Steinlage 14, Schuchhardt 1, Elsbernd 1.
Digs - Vsetecka 15, Schuchhardt 11, Reicks 9, Steinlage 5, Elsbernd 3, Bodensteiner 3, Lukes 1.
Blocks - Reicks 3, Ives 3, Lukes 2, Busta 1, Steinlage 1.
Serving - Reicks 9-9, Steinlage 8-8, Schuchhardt 8-9, Elsbernd 5-5, Lukes 8-9, Vsetecka 2-2.
Aces - Schuchhardt 1, Elsbernd 1.

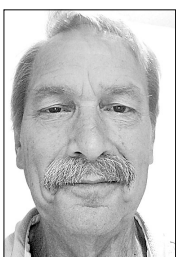
NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 2, TURKEY VALLEY 0
North Fayette Valley 21 21
Turkey Valley 18 8
Kills - Schuchhardt 4, Reicks 3, Steinlage 1, Vsetecka 1, Ives 1.
Assists - Steinlage 7, Reicks 1, Schuchhardt 1, Vsetecka 1.
Digs - Vsetecka 14, Schuchhardt 8, Steinlage 7, Reicks 3, Elsbernd 3.
Serving - Reicks 3-3, Steinlage 10-10, Schuchhardt 3-4, Elsbernd 1-2, Lukes 1-2, Vsetecka 5-5.
Aces - Steinlage 2, Vsetecka 2.

Turkey Valley Hall of Fame welcomes three members

Three people were inducted into the Turkey Valley Hall of Fame last Friday during half-time of the West Central vs. TV football game. Here are their bios.

Larry Bergmann Class of 1973

Larry was a true three-sport star excelling in football, track, and wrestling. The son of Bob and Betty Bergmann, Larry grew up on an acreage just south of Lawler where he developed a strong work ethic and dedication that carried him to an outstanding high school athletic career at Turkey Valley. Larry was a four-year letterwinner in track and three-year letter winner in both football and wrestling.



Bergmann

Bergman once held the school record in the pole vault and was a wingback and tenacious safety in football. A very sure tackler, opposing ball carriers often chose to run out-of-bounds rather than face a hit from the powerful Trojan safety.

Larry's true prowess came on the wrestling mat when he became the first individual state wrestling champion in school history. Larry compiled a stellar 76-10 record in his three-year varsity career capped by a 119-pound state championship in 1972.

Larry entered the championship bout with a 28-2 record and faced defending state champion Stu Newman of Perry in the finals. Tied 2-2 after regulation, Larry stunned the defending champion with a five-point move in OT to make his mark forever in the Trojan wrestling annals. Larry also placed fourth as a senior at 126 pounds with a 27-4 mark. "Larry was simply a "HAMMER" on top and lightning quick," commented former teammate John Reicks. "If he got his hands on you, it was all but over."

Also known affectionately as "Bergy" by his former teammates and friends, Larry faced his toughest challenge when he underwent heart transplant surgery in 2016. With the heart of a champion, Larry persevered and is now a staunch outspoken advocate for organ donation and kindly asks you to do the same.

Shirley Murray School Nurse

Shirley Griffin Murray was born in New Hampton in 1935. She attended and graduated from Lawler Public High School in 1953. She later attended Mercy School of Nursing in Sioux City and Mason City and obtained her RN degree. Shortly after graduation from nursing school, she married Joseph (Jody) Murray.



Murray

They lived in Lawler for most of their lives. Jody and Shirley raised three proud Turkey Valley graduates - Julie (1975), David (1977), and Tim (1980).

Shirley's professional career began on the obstetrical floor of the New Hampton hospital in 1956. As her youngest son Tim was ready for kindergarten, it quickly became apparent that even though she loved her job and was very good at it, working 3 to 11 p.m. shifts in the OB department was not the best way to be a mother to her own children.

Early in the summer of 1966, Shirley noted an advertisement in the Jerico Echo for a job opening as a school nurse at Turkey Valley. She was looking for a job that had working hours that mirrored her responsibilities of raising children.

After a thorough interview conducted by TV Superintendent

Keith O'Connell, she then met with Virginia Sheridan and Vera Weist who both worked in the school office. Two days later Mr. O'Connell informed her, "Welcome aboard! The TV School Board approved your application and you have the job!"

Two things were certain when you left Mrs. Murray's nurse's office after a visit:

- No. 1, you had almost no chance of going home. Shirley protected the time of the parents that were working during the school day (at farms and businesses). She felt that is why parents supported the school staff so strongly. They worked together as a team.

- No. 2, you went out with clean hands. No one left Mrs. Murray's nurse's office without being "cleaner" than when they came in.

Shirley remained at Turkey Valley for the next 31 years until her retirement in 1997.

Mary Lensing Dreckman Class of 1983

Mary Lensing Dreckman, a Protivin native and a 1983 TV graduate, helped propel the Lady Trojan softball team to unprecedented heights in the 1982-83 seasons with her stellar performance inside the pitching circle.

Mary is the daughter of Don and Norma Lensing. Mary fashioned three dominant seasons in a row back when softball was still played under a "single class" format. Facing all comers under the direction of Coach Wanda Milbrath Barkema, Mary fashioned a sparkling 84-11 record over the course of the summer of 1982, fall of 1982, and the summer of 1983 historic softball campaigns. Mary compiled a brilliant 139 wins against just 23 losses during her illustrious career.



Dreckman

Ironically, Mary did not start her Trojan career as a pitcher. Her first duties were at second base. She started pitching only after all-state left-hander Sheryl Vrba graduated in 1980. Coach Barkema quickly recognized Mary's talent and promptly inserted her into the pitching circle.

Still playing both summer and fall softball, Mary led the Lady Trojans to a 29-3 record in the summer of 1982. On July 26, 1982, the Trojanettes, as they were called back then, dropped a 5-4 regional final decision to Charles City in extra innings in front of the largest crowd in school history at the time.

The Trojans and Lensing came back more determined than ever in the fall 1982 softball season and won the first team state championship in Turkey Valley history in any sport and earned their revenge over the Comets in the process with a thrilling 2-1 win in the state finals. The Trojans finished 20-3 overall and won a remarkable 10 games by a scant one-run margin.

Lensing and the Lady Trojans weren't quite done yet and put together yet another fantastic season with a 35-5 record and finished as the state runner-up, losing only to Cedar Rapids Jefferson 5-4 in the summer 1983 state finals.

Mary was voted captain of the 1983 state all-tournament team and garnered first team all-state honors. She entered the Iowa Hall of Fame as a member of the 100-career win club.

She was also named the recipient of the prestigious Jack North Award, an award that was voted on by the state's umpires and softball coaches as the top softball player in the state.

- This story contains excerpts from the "bios" written by John Reicks for the Hall of Fame ceremony.

We can stop HIV, Iowa—by staying up-to-date on recommended screenings!

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New Hampton’s Sydney Laures (above) taps one over the net on Tuesday versus Crestwood and Braelyn Rosonke (below) puts down one of her many kills on the night in the NEIC matchup.

Chickasaws pick up first NEIC victory

New Hampton powers past Cadets in four

By Kelly Terpstra
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For extended periods of its NEIC match with Crestwood on Tuesday night, the New Hampton Chickasaw volleyball team was poetry in motion.

They were that dominant and that fun to watch.

That locked-in play early on in their league contest against the Cadets afforded the Chickasaws a 2-0 lead. Then game three rolled around and the much-improved Cadets made this a battle.

But – like Chickasaws fans have witnessed in this early start to the season – Jess Geerts’ two-time defending NEIC champ squad regained its prime form and closed the door.

The result was an impressive, albeit longer than expected clash after the first two sets, that saw New Hampton win its home conference opener by scores of 25-16, 25-19, 23-25 and 25-17.

New Hampton (9-7, 1-1) was superb right from the get-go in this one and flowed well near the net and kept Crestwood (9-3, 1-1) out of rhythm and back on its heels.

“We started out, our goal was to keep them out of system. That was our plan and that’s what we did very well in games one and two,” said Geerts.

In game three, New Hampton’s energy waned to a certain degree and that gave Crestwood an opportunity to pull closer and that’s exactly what they did.

“We just settled in, in game three,” said Geerts. “We let them take over. We’re working on that. That’s our biggest goal.”

Game four didn’t start out too promising either, but like good teams do – New Hampton responded and in a big way. Crestwood led 13-11



at one point, but New Hampton turned the tables to finish out the match on a 14-4 run.

“In game three we were leading and then we just kind of settled back. Then we let them in. We let them have free balls. We let them have an offense and we couldn’t stop them. Luckily, we were able to continue the fire in game four,” said Geerts.

New Hampton might not equal last year’s impressive win total of 31, but it might not matter if these Chickasaws continue to improve and believe in themselves – especially when the leaves start to change color and October rolls around.

That means postseason play will be here a lot sooner than you think.

“We just talked a lot about working on our stamina and playing hard,” said Geerts. “We can’t play soft. We can’t play quiet. We have to communi-

cate and work harder. It comes down to the little things. We don’t need a flashy offense, we just need to play hard and pick up our tempo a little bit.”

New Hampton senior middle – Braelyn Rosonke – showed flashes of dominance near the net and overpowered the Cadets up front for 17 kills. The six-footer was also perfect from the serving stripe as she went 14-14 with one ace.

Aleigha Cahoy – New Hampton’s premier utility player – was unstoppable in her serving game. The fantastic freshman ripped off 12-straight service points to start game one after Crestwood led 1-0. She was 23-23 serving and led the Chickasaws in digs with 17. What separates Cahoy from a lot of all-around players is her ability to put the ball down. Her dangerous right arm swung hard all night – from anywhere

on the court – and slammed down 15 kills.

New Hampton senior libero Taylor Ries also had a solid game. She came up with several amazing saves on the back row – as did several of her teammates on this full-moon evening – and served 21-22 with one ace.

NEW HAMPTON 3, CRESTWOOD 1
CR 16 19 25 17
NH 25 25 23 25

Kills - Braelyn Rosonke 17, Aleigha Cahoy 15, Chloe Weigel 7, Sydney Laures 4, Maici Weber 2, Taylor Ries 1, Ella Wassenaar 1, Jackie Pickar 1.

Assists - Weber 39, Ries 3, Wassenaar 2, Pickar 1.

Digs - Cahoy 17, Ries 15, Weber 13, Pickar 12, Camryn Smith 7, Wassenaar 6, Rosonke 7, Weigel 4.

Blocks - Rosonke 4, Weber 2, Laures 1, Cahoy 1, Weigel 1.

Serving - Ries 21-22, Wassenaar 13-16, Cahoy 23-23, Weber 6-8, Rosonke 14-14, Pickar 11-13.

Aces - Pickar 3, Weber 2, Wassenaar 2, Ries 1, Rosonke 1.

New Hampton has ‘pretty good day’ at Osage tourney

NH VOLLEYBALL: FROM 20

two-time NEIC defending regular season and conference tournament champions – just became a tad murkier.

The silver lining is, even in loss, this was a big home match that New Hampton can learn a lot from. Geerts, in her 19th season at NH, praised her team for their play.

“Charles City was a fun match to play. We started out very strong and then hit a bump where we needed to work through some mindset things. Unfortunately, by the time we were able to come out of that we really had to battle and came up short. The takeaways were that we didn’t give up and showed a lot of grit in those last 8-10 points. We will get there, we just have to figure something out,” Geerts said.

New Hampton (8-7, 0-1) had defeated the Comets at a triangular hosted by CC late last month by scores 25-23 and 25-21.

Mya Rimrod, a Comet senior outside hitter, led CC with 19 kills.

Braelyn Rosonke, New Hampton’s six-foot senior middle, led all players with 20 kills. Aleigha Cahoy, New Hampton’s star freshman hitter, had another fine contest with 13 kills.

NH’s senior libero – Taylor Ries – was a perfect 24-24 serving with one ace. Rosonke didn’t miss either and was 18-18 serving with two aces.

Geerts talked about her two senior starters – Ries and Rosonke. They’re the backbone of a squad that is coming along nicely after having to replace a boatload of all-conference seniors from a season ago that saw the Chickasaws win 31 matches versus just six defeats.

“Braelyn and Taylor are two of the most hard-working seniors I have ever coached. It is easy when you get to be a senior to take the easier road, but Taylor and Braelyn are the glue holding the team together both in their own way. We are so blessed to have these two great leaders on and off the court,” said Geerts, who guided NH to a state berth in 2018.

New Hampton traveled to the always tough Osage Invite on Saturday and went 2-2. The Chickasaws turned back a quality Forest City (5-3) squad by a margin of 22-20 and 21-12. NH’s other win came over the host Green Devils (6-5) – 21-14 and 21-16.

The Chickasaws were swept by sixth-ranked Cedar Falls (9-2). The Class 5A Tigers won by scores of 21-13 and 21-12. Former league foe Waverly-Shell Rock (5-10) outlasted New Hampton 15-21, 22-20 and 15-10. The Go-Hawks lost to Forest City 21-18 and 21-16 in another match at Osage.

“The Osage Tournament was a pretty good day. We were hoping to come home 3-1, but gave up a loss, similar to CC, to W-SR. It was also our first match of the day. We struggled to get our passing in-sync against W-SR and that made things tough. We made some adjustments and figured that out, which helped us tremendously the rest of the day,” said Geerts.

Cahoy combined for 24 kills

in the four matches and came away with 23 digs. Cahoy can play pretty much anywhere on the court – and like her older all-state sister, Marissa Cahoy (*24 NH grad) – she’s explosive near the net and can strike at any time.

“Aleigha is a great player. She is our utility player who can pretty much do whatever we need her to do. She’s played a lot of ball and reads the court so well. She may be a freshman, but doesn’t play like one. We look forward to what she brings to our program now and in the future,” said the NH head coach.

Rosonke finished with 29 kills and NH junior setter Maici Weber finished with 73 assists at Osage. Weber doled out 35 assists in the Charles City match.

CHARLES CITY 3, NEW HAMPTON 1

Charles City 22 25 25 29
New Hampton 25 19 20 27

Kills - Braelyn Rosonke 20, Aleigha Cahoy 13, Maici Weber 3, Ella Wassenaar 2, Chloe Weigel 2, Sydney Laures 2, Jackie Pickar 1.

Assists - Weber 35, Taylor Ries 2, Wassenaar 2, Camryn Smith 1, Cahoy 1.

Digs - Weber 17, Ries 14, Pickar 13, Cahoy 7, Smith 6, Rosonke 3.

Blocks - Weber 3, Rosonke 2, Laures 2, Cahoy 1.

Serving - Ries 24-24, Wassenaar 8-9, Smith 1-1, Cahoy 9-14, Weber 11-13, Rosonke 18-18, Pickar 9-10.

Aces - Rosonke 2, Wassenaar 1, Cahoy 1, Weber 1, Pickar 1.

NEW HAMPTON 2, FOREST CITY 0

New Hampton 22 21
Forest City 20 12

Kills - Cahoy 6, Rosonke 5, Weigel 3, Wassenaar 2, Laures 1, Pickar 1.

Assists - Weber 15, Pickar 1.

Digs - Cahoy 9, Allie Johnson 8, Pickar 7, Weber 6, Rosonke 3, Ries 3, Weigel 2, Wassenaar 1.

Blocks - Weber 2, Laures 2, Rosonke 2, Weigel 1.

Serving - Ries 5-5, Cahoy 5-6, Weber 5-6, Johnson 6-7, Rosonke 8-8, Pickar 8-8.

Aces - Pickar 2.

NEW HAMPTON 2, OSAGE 0

New Hampton 21 21
Osage 14 16

Kills - Rosonke 8, Cahoy 6, Weigel 4, Laures 3, Weber 1, Johnson 1.

Assists - Weber 18, Ries 1, Cahoy 1.

Digs - Ries 12, Cahoy 11, Johnson 7, Weber 6, Pickar 3, Wassenaar 2, Rosonke 1.

Blocks - Cahoy 1, Laures 1, Rosonke 1.

Serving - Ries 10-10, Cahoy 3-6, Weber 8-9, Johnson 7-7, Rosonke 5-5, Pickar 3-5.

Aces - Ries 1, Cahoy 1, Weber 1, Johnson 1.

WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK 2, NEW HAMPTON 1

New Hampton 15 22 10
Waverly-Shell Rock 21 20 15

Kills - Cahoy 9, Rosonke 7, Weigel 4, Laures 4, Pickar 1, Weber 1, Wassenaar 1.

Assists - Weber 24, Laures 1, Pickar 1.

Digs - Pickar 14, Cahoy 9, Ries 7, Weber 7, Rosonke 6, Weigel 4, Smith 3, Laures 3, Wassenaar 1.

Blocks - Weber 3, Rosonke 2, Laures 1, Cahoy 1.

Serving - Ries 10-11, Wassenaar 4-5, Cahoy 9-9, Weber 7-7, Rosonke 6-7, Pickar 8-8.

Aces - Cahoy 2, Rosonke 1, Pickar 1.

CEDAR FALLS 2, NEW HAMPTON 0

New Hampton 13 12
Cedar Falls 21 21

Kills - Rosonke 9, Cahoy 3, Weigel 3, Weber 3, Wassenaar 1.

Assists - Weber 16, Ries 1, Wassenaar 1, Cahoy 1, Johnson 1.

Digs - Cahoy 4, Ries 3, Pickar 3, Weigel 2, Weber 2, Johnson 2, Rosonke 2.

Serving - Ries 4-4, Cahoy 3-4, Weber 2-4, Johnson 2-2, Rosonke 4-4, Pickar 4-5.

Trojans take big step with their offense

TV FOOTBALL: FROM 20

Busta also found the end zone on a 13-yard plunge to make it 18-0 in the early stages of the game.

Unfortunately, Busta was hurt in the first half and did not return. His status for Friday’s game versus Central Elkader is uncertain.

“The players overcame some adversity when we lost our quarterback to an injury,” said Scott.

In Busta’s absence, sophomores Hugo Busta and Schmidt took over.

Schmidt scored TV’s third touchdown of the night on a 19-yard scamper and Hugo Busta made it rain with another long aerial strike to Kruse – this one from 60 yards out.

Schmidt ended the first-half scoring with a three-yard blast to paydirt.

TV maximized its scoring potential in the passing department as it threw just four times, but scored on two of them.

Schmidt had the game of his life with 183 yards on 16 carries.

He continued the end zone party for the Trojans with a

51-yard race to the end zone on the ground to make it 44-0. Hugo Busta also ripped off an 11-yard rushing touchdown, followed by Schmidt’s six-yard interception return for six points.

“Kaden and Hugo took another big step in improving on offense,” said Scott.

Busta rushed for 46 yards on seven carries.

Schmidt and junior Parker Reicks led the TV defense with seven tackles apiece.

West Central fell to 0-3 overall and 0-2 in the district. The Blue Devils managed 162 yards of total offense and were led by Milton Cushion’s 54 rushing yards. WC quarterback Brody Wolff was 7-13 for 67 yards passing.

Plagued by some turnovers in its first two games, TV did not commit a turnover versus West Central and pitched a shutout for the first time since a 14-0 win over Edgewood-Colesburg in the 2021 season opener. That was a contest that lasted just one quarter of play after inclement weather forced the cancellation of the remainder of the game.

Kruse is the fifth-best receiv-

er in his class in terms of receiving yards (317). His five receiving touchdowns also rank him in the top 10 in that category as well in 8-man supremacy.

TV plays at Central Elkader (1-2, 0-1) at Dittmer Sports Complex in Elkader on Friday

TURKEY VALLEY 60, WEST CENTRAL 0
WC 0 0 0 0 - 0
TV 16 20 24 0 - 60

FIRST QUARTER

TV - J.D. Kruse 40 pass from Logan Busta (Busta run)

TV - Busta 13 run (Busta run)

SECOND QUARTER

TV - Kaden Schmidt 19 run (run failed)

TV - Kruse 60 pass from Hugo Busta (Schmidt run)

TV - Schmidt 3 run (run failed)

THIRD QUARTER

TV - Schmidt 51 run (H. Busta run)

TV - H. Busta 11 run (Kruse run)

TV - Schmidt 6-yard interception return (Schmidt pass from H. Busta)

TEAM STATS

Rushes-yards 29-95 42-318

Passing yards 67 100

Total yards 162 418

Att-Comp-Int 13-7-1 4-2-0

TURKEY VALLEY STATS

Rushing - Kaden Schmidt 17-183, Hugo Busta 7-46, Caleb Kriener 6-19, Logan Busta 5-38, J.D. Kruse 2-12, Parker Reicks 2-10, Levi Kruse 2-3, Dominick Reicks 1-7.



Leah Kruse

Turkey Valley’s Jordan Kriener leads the way for Kaden Schmidt during the Trojans’ victory over West Central on Friday.

Passing - L. Busta 1-1-40, H. Busta 1-3-60.

Receiving - J.D. Kruse 2-100.

Tackles - Schmidt 7, P. Reicks 7, J.D. Kruse 4.5, Hunter Kruse 4.5,

Mitchell Kriener 4, Jordan Kriener 3.5, Alex Hanson 3, Jayden Rausch 3, Caden Tiedt 2.5, H. Busta 2.5, C. Kriener 2, Eli Holthaus 2, Traejin Keel 2, Tucker Tlusty 1.5, L. Busta 1, Tyler

Forbes 1, D. Reicks 1.

Interceptions - Schmidt.

Fumble recoveries - J.D. Kruse.

Kickoffs - J. Kriener 9-362.

Punts - J.D. Kruse 2-53.



Turkey Valley's Hazel Nieman competes at the Trent Smith Invite in Charles City earlier this month.

Trojans improve on tough Luther course

Turkey Valley coach finishes runner-up in college race at All-American Invitational

By Kelly Terpstra
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There were six Turkey Valley Trojan cross country runners that took to the course at Luther College on Saturday at the prestigious and challenging All-American Invitational.

Seven if you count their head coach.

Yes, TV cross country Sarah Bakula once again tried to tame the grueling course in Decorah. The standout former Waukon High School runner and Simpson College alum coached her Trojans – three of them ran on varsity and the other half ran in the middle school races – and then proceeded to place runner-up in the college 5K race in 18:49.

That's quite an accomplishment for Bakula, who also helps coach the Trojan track team in the spring and can be seen warming up around the oval prior to the start of meets.

"This makes year two of doing the race. I did it two years ago and then last year sat it out as I wasn't back in shape from having our second child during the summer," said Bakula. "I thought it went okay. I was going for about an 18:30 or faster, but in the heat that came out right as our race was getting underway, I will take it."

There's also a four-mile college race in addition to the 5K (3.1 miles) prep and college races.

Amanda Mosborg, running unattached like Bakula, won the college race in 17:36. Mosborg's time set a 5K course record with that amazing clip. Emma Odle of Augustana College placed third in 19:03. There were 78 runners in the 5K college race.

Bakula, in her eighth season as TV head coach, talked about the race itself and her Trojan runners cheering her on.

"My first two miles were great and fairly close in time. The third mile is where it got real tough, but I finished hard coming in second and I'm happy with that," said Bakula.

"The kids enjoy it. I think to see me out there doing exactly what they are doing and they like to see me do my best to hold my ground against all the youngsters. I love competing and I



Turkey Valley coach Sarah Bakula (left) poses for a photo with Jenn Kalainoff, her counterpart at Nashua-Plainfield, during a meet in Charles City earlier this month.

Chickasaw runner says she 'actually' likes hills

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I didn't come out first."

Glaser, who cracked the state field as a freshman last fall at Fort Dodge and placed 58th – talked about a key element to getting better at a sport that requires serious dedication and commitment if you want to cross the finish line near the top.

"Quass (Ohrt's maiden name) was just talking about how you have to get uncomfortable for the team," said Glaser. "You have to do it for the team every time. This is an individual sport, but it's also a team sport. You have to get out of your comfort zone."

Glaser – also a state qualifier in wrestling last winter – said she didn't know what to expect in her first jaunt ever around the "Max" course.

"I actually like the hills because I can use them pretty well," said Glaser, whose career PR is 20:22. "I didn't think I was going to enjoy this course just because it's two laps and I really don't like doing things over. It was a pretty landscape. There were people most everywhere, so it was pretty nice motivation."

This past Saturday Glaser and her Chickasaws ran in the extremely difficult All-American meet at Luther College in Decorah. There were 240 runners in the girls race and Glaser finished in 60th place (21:06).

"I wasn't running this time last year at this point of the season," said Glaser.

Luther's course is also more rugged than Waverly's 5K (3.1 miles) layout.

"Decorah is a lot tougher. There's hills. There's some gradual slopes, like ones you feel like you're never going to get up at Waverly, but they're not as steep as Luther – not even close," said Ohrt. "Luther's probably one of the toughest meets that we face."

The New Hampton girls team placed 18th amongst 28 teams with 534 points.

Adrianna Kinley, just a freshman, continued to impress at Decorah as she shaved almost 54 seconds off her time from Waverly. She ran a 22:46 and placed 132nd. Chickasaw ninth-grader Addison Neville placed just in front of Kinley in 130th place (22:44).

The biggest gain from any Chickasaw – as far as cutting time from meet to meet – came from freshman Kamdyn Trower. He ran 24:35 at Waverly and lowered that clip by well over two minutes at Luther with a 22:17.

"The freshmen I'm blown away by. They are going to be a force to be reckoned with. I just get goosebumps thinking about them," said Ohrt. "They work together well. They push each other. They support each other and they get along. My team gets along anyway, but that camaraderie you don't see a lot."

Tegan Dungey – a junior who ran on Ohrt's 2022 state team as a freshman – placed 19th at Waverly in the 11/12 race in 22:26.04. She almost replicated that time at Luther with a 22:26.9.

"I know she was a little reluctant because last season she was kind of robbed. She had mono pretty bad. We really missed her leadership. She's finally finding that confidence back and she's hungry. If she can close that gap a little bit, it's going to be amazing for the girls," said Ohrt.

Lauren Nuss, a senior, was 31st at Waverly in 23:55 and ran a 23:39 at Decorah. She was the team manager last year for New Hampton, but then decided to start running herself.

Ohrt said Nuss personifies what it takes to be a winner in a grueling sport such as cross country.

"She does the work. There's no ifs, ands or buts about that. She's a hard worker," said Ohrt.



New Hampton senior Lauren Nuss sprints to the finish line during a race at the Dick Pollitt Go-Hawk Classic that was held in Waverly last Tuesday.

The New Hampton boys placed 28th out of 30 teams with 853 points at Luther.

Chickasaw senior Calyb Zein ran solid times at Waverly and Decorah. He finished the course at Waverly in 19:20, good for 36th place. His time at Luther was 19:44. He's looking to climb under 19:00 this year.

New Hampton ran at the Mitchell County Nature Center in Osage on Tuesday.

DICK POLLITT GO-HAWK CLASSIC RESULTS

9/10 GIRLS RACE
Individual winner (103 runners) - Brynn Kartman, West Delaware 20:23.79.

New Hampton results - 2. Sophie Glaser 20:40.04, 20. Addison Neville 22:42.51, 30. Adrianna Kinley 23:42.37, 51. Harper Humpal 25:07.95, 72. Zoey Kellogg 27:19.42, 75. Josi Singewald 27:59.43, 93. Kassidy Meyerhoff 30:51.24, 101. Karley Wickman 33:17.49.

9/10 BOYS RACE
Individual winner (91 runners) - Jesse Gomez, Denver 16:40.01.

New Hampton results - 24. Connor Stumme 20:19.93, 70. Kamdyn Trower 24:35.84, 74. Eduardo Barrios 25:15.42.

11/12 GIRLS RACE
Individual winner (105 runners) - Kadence Huck, Nashua-Plainfield 19:19.73.

New Hampton results - 19. Tegan Dungey 22:26.04, 31. Lauren Nuss 23:55.09, 39. Ella Knutson 24:32.71, 47. Juanita Cardona 25:13.6, 54. Natalie Nosbisch 25:50.54, 55. Zoey Dreckman 25:58.88, 91. Rebecca Wickman 30:24.6.

11/12 BOYS RACE
Individual winner (111 runners) - Quentin Nauman, Western Dubuque 15:29.4.

New Hampton results - 36. Calyb Zein 19:20.59, 48. Colin Shatek 20:05.49, 63. Eason Monteith 20:45.36, 65. Xander Meyerhoff 20:51.7, 88. Jarrin Robinson 22:48.44.

LUTHER COLLEGE ALL-AMERICAN MEET RESULTS

GIRLS TEAM SCORES
Pleasant Valley 36, Dubuque Senior 91, Minnetonka 117, Iowa City High 122, Dubuque Hempstead 164, Bloomington Jefferson 223, Rochester Century 236, Aquinas 267, Iowa City Liberty 271, Linn-Mar Marion 334, The Blake School 345, Decorah 347, Mason City 355, Lanesboro/Fillmore Central 411, West Salem 481, Westby 494, Rochester John Marshall 501, New Hampton 534, Osage 537, La Crosse Central

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS
THURSDAY New Hampton volleyball vs. Waverly-Shell Rock, 9/JJV at 5 p.m., JV at 6 and varsity at 7:15 p.m. (Senior parent night) Turkey Valley 9/JV/V volleyball at North Fayette Valley, 5 p.m.
FRIDAY New Hampton football at Osage, 9th at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m. Turkey Valley football at Central, Elkader, 7 p.m.
SATURDAY New Hampton 9/JV volleyball at Lake Mills tournament, 9 a.m. Turkey Valley varsity volleyball at Waukon tournament, 9 a.m.
MONDAY New Hampton JV football vs. Osage, 6 p.m. Turkey Valley JV football at Kee High, 6 p.m.
TUESDAY New Hampton and Turkey Valley cross country at Waukon, 4 p.m. New Hampton volleyball at Decorah, 9/JJV at 5 p.m., JV at 6 and varsity at 7:15 p.m. Turkey Valley 9/JV/V volleyball vs. Postville, 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, SEPT. 26 Turkey Valley 9/JV/V volleyball at Kee High, 5 p.m.
FRIDAY, SEPT. 27 New Hampton football vs. Oelwein, 9th at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m. (Homecoming) Turkey Valley football at Clarksville, 7 p.m.

BOWLING

COFFEE CUP

STANDINGS	W	L
Geerts Plumbing	3	1
Vern Laures Auto	2.5	1.5
Mid-Tech Services	2	2
Hugeback-Johnson	2	2
Rochford Insurance	1.5	2.5
Dak's Tap	1	3

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Hugeback-Johnson 2, Mid-Tech Services 2 Vern Laures Auto 2.5, Rochford Insurance 1.5 Geerts Plumbing 3, Dak's Tap 1
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LEADERS

High individual games: Diane Nehl 213, 174, Linda Lechtenberg 181.

High individual series: Nehl 546, Rita Geerts 505, Linda Lechtenberg 464.

High team games: Dak's Tap 458, Hugeback-Johnson 442, Vern Laures Auto 420.

High team series: Geerts Plumbing 1,203, Hugeback-Johnson 1,202, Vern Laures Auto 1,202.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

Nehl 31, Linda Lechtenberg 27, Karen Denner 27.

Karen Schmitt, Secretary

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Chickasaws put in the miles

New Hampton competes in big cross country meets held at Wartburg and Luther

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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Sophie Glaser understands what it takes to succeed in the sport of cross country.

That's why New Hampton's No. 1 runner is also one of Jamie Ohrt's top cheerleaders on the sidelines after her races are run.

She gets it and she wants her Chickasaws teammates to climb on board and ride out this run all the way down to Fort Dodge.

That's where the state meet is held, if you're wondering, and the 20th-ranked New Hampton girls XC squad has the potential to get there. They just need some time in the

regular season to sharpen their minds and strengthen their resolve to push on through and achieve their goals.

Through three meets thus far in the 2024 campaign – New Hampton is getting there, slowly, but surely.

Glaser crossed the tape second in the 9/10 girls race at the Dick Pollitt Go-Hawk Classic on the Wartburg Max course in Waverly last week Tuesday. Her time of 20:40 was over 14 seconds faster than the season opener at Oelwein the week before. She placed runner-up to fellow sophomore Brynn Kartman (20:23) of West Delaware for the top spot at the "Max."

She also learned a valuable lesson from her first to second race of the season – don't use up all your energy

right from the start. That's easier said than done.

"The last race I ran, my goal was just to stay with the lead as much as I could," said Glaser about her Oelwein run. "I got out way too fast. That last mile was pretty slow. I didn't want to do that again."

Glaser and Kartman were neck-and-neck for a while, but the West Delaware standout eventually distanced herself and pulled away for the comfortable victory.

"I probably just tucked behind her after the first mile because I just wanted to pace myself," said Glaser. "I tried to gain some ground on some hills, but

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton's Easton Monteith and Xander Meyerhoff sprint to the finish line at a meet last week held in Waverly.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton's Ella Wassenaar attempts a swing in a Northeast Iowa Conference match against Crestwood on Tuesday night.

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Chickasaws score some nice wins at Osage

New Hampton bounces back from loss to Charles City to post wins over Forest City, hosts at tournament

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The clash for a conference title went down Thursday night in New Hampton.

Comets versus Chickasaws.

The eventual winner in the conference opener would put itself in prime position to play for the league crown in 2024 – no disrespect to the Decorah Vikings, Crestwood Cadets or Waukon Indians.

The NEIC has a somewhat different look

this year when it comes to volleyball as perennial power Waverly-Shell Rock was bumped from the league and is playing as an independent this fall.

That means each match holds more weight – none more so than Thursday night's tussle between the orange and red of Charles City and New Hampton.

Charles City (10-3, 1-0) exacted revenge against Jess Geerts' Chickasaws and in the process snapped an 11-match Northeast Iowa Conference win streak that dated

back to the 2021 season for New Hampton.

New Hampton struck the first blow – winning game one 25-22, but CC started rolling with 25-19 and 25-20 wins in games two and three, respectively. The finish was epic and fans got more than their money's worth as CC held off NH, 29-27, in the final set.

Regardless, New Hampton's path to a three-peat – the Chickasaws are the

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton's Jackson Kellogg and Ryan Willadsen (57) provide pass protection for the Chickasaws during Friday's game against MFL MarMac.

Chickasaws suffer through long night

New Hampton gets a fresh start with start of district play after a blowout to Bulldogs

By BOB FENSKE
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As far as New Hampton football coach Chad Pemble is concerned, the slate has been wiped clean.

Yes, the Chickasaws struggled mightily last Friday night as MFL MarMac used its size and its experience to good use in a 62-20 non-district victory that dropped New Hampton to 0-3.

"I think our kids are doing the best they can with the situation," Pemble said. "We need to just focus on the district games and keep working to get better. These guys have continued to work hard and all of us coaches appreciate the effort they're giving us."

Against MFL, the Chickasaws had their best offensive night of the season – at least when it came to total yards – but New Hampton had no answer for a Bulldogs' running game that amassed 504 yards on just 39 carries.

"I think a couple of things really showed up," Pemble said. "First, our lack of experience and then their size caused us all sorts of problems. I mean they have a number of two, three year starters on a team that made the [state playoff] quarterfinals two years ago and the semifinal game last year so ... they had guys who were playing their 30th or so varsity game and most of our guys were playing their third."

MFL jumped out to a 27-0

lead less than 15 minutes into the game, but New Hampton fought back and appeared like it was going to make a game out of it. The Chickasaws put together a six-minute, 80-yard drive that was capped by a Beau Serie 1-yard touchdown run on a fourth-and-goal play, and Jay Pickar's extra point made it 27-7 with 3:47 left in the first half.

And when senior Tate Schwickerath recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff New Hampton had the ball inside the MFL 30-yard line and an opportunity to make it a two-score game at halftime. Four plays later, however, New Hampton lost a fumble and the momentum dissipated.

It was the kind of night for the Chickasaws.

After MFL extended the lead to 34-7 with a touchdown on its first drive on the second half, New Hampton answered with a Reid Rausch-to-Adam Ewert 67-yard touchdown pass – one in which Ewert made an excellent cut to the outside to dash to the end zone to cut the MFL lead to 34-14.

The Bulldogs had an immediate answer, needing just one play – a 65-yard run by Quinn McGeough, one of those experienced MFL players – to take the wind out of the Chickasaws' sails.

Rausch would get one more touchdown pass, a 13-yarder from Rausch to Caden Rochford

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Trojans tie for third at Crestwood

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The Turkey Valley Trojans are in first place in the Upper Iowa Conference standings as of Tuesday afternoon.

Granted, the TV volleyball squad coached by Ashley Walz and Tammy Vrzak has only played just one league match that's counted in the standings thus far in 2024.

Sidenote – none of the other eight squads in the UIC have played a conference match, outside of the Central Elkader Warriors, who the Trojans defeated last week Monday in four sets – 25-22, 25-18, 23-25 and 25-18.

The point?

The Trojans – commanded by the coaching tandem of Walz and Vrzak – are one to keep an eye on this fall in the UIC standings.

While the race for the league crown could well be wide open this year and come down to four or five teams that have a legitimate shot at a conference crown – TV will have as good a shot as any to vie for a UIC title.

TV placed third in the league last year behind '23 league champ North Fayette Valley and runner-up South Winneshiek. The year before TV tied for the conference championship with Clayton Ridge in 2022.

The Trojans took on those Eagles in a key league tilt on Tuesday at home. TV will start to get into the thick of its league slate in the next few weeks,

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Leah Kruse

Turkey Valley's J.D. Kruse gets behind the West Central defense and hauls in a touchdown pass during Friday night's game.

Turkey Valley blows out Blue Devils for first victory

Young Trojans overcome adversity and come up with a 60-0 district win over West Central

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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It didn't take Turkey Valley's engine long to get revved up on Friday night in Jackson Junction.

The Trojans blasted West Central in TV's home opener by a score of 60-0 in an 8-Man, District 3 contest that got away early from the underdog Blue Devils.

Turkey Valley (1-2, 1-1) rolled up over 300 yards of rushing and led 36-0 at the break.

"This was a good win for our young team," said TV head coach Mark Scott, in his 22nd season guiding his Trojans. "We are still improving as the season moves on."

The win was especially sweet as the Trojans had surrendered over 55 points per contest in

their two previous games against Fremont-Mills and ninth-ranked Kee High.

All that matters now is moving forward after TV is finally on the board with win No. 1 of the season.

"We took advantage of two turnovers by WC on defense," said Scott.

Those turnovers forced by TV came courtesy of Kaden Schmidt's pick-six for a touchdown in the game's final score and J.D. Kruse's recovery of a muffed kickoff.

Turkey Valley junior quarterback Logan Busta started the game's scoring as he hooked up with fellow junior J.D. Kruse for a 40-yard scoring strike.

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New Hampton's Caden Rochford is congratulated by his teammates after scoring a touchdown late in Friday's game.