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Supervisors nix board chairman's landfill pay

Board members side with county attorney when it comes to stipend that Floyd County Mitchell Landfill gives to its board members

By BOB FENSKE
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors reached a consensus on Monday that its board chairman should not accept a stipend for serving on the Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw (FMC) Landfill Board.

Board Chairman Scott Cerwinski said Tuesday night that he receives

a stipend, along with mileage, for attending Landfill Board meetings that include monthly gatherings of the Executive Board, as well as quarterly meetings that include all the members of the FMC Landfill.

He estimated that he receives a \$35 "stipend" — one that he said he understood came about in the past because "they wanted to get people to the meetings" — for each meeting he attends.

On Monday, Cerwinski read a legal opinion written by an attorney for the Heartland Insurance Board that stated "It is not illegal ... for a Board of Supervisor member to receive payment or remuneration for serving on a 28E organization for services provided to that organization."

But County Attorney David Laudner said he respectfully disagreed with that opinion — pointing out that he believes

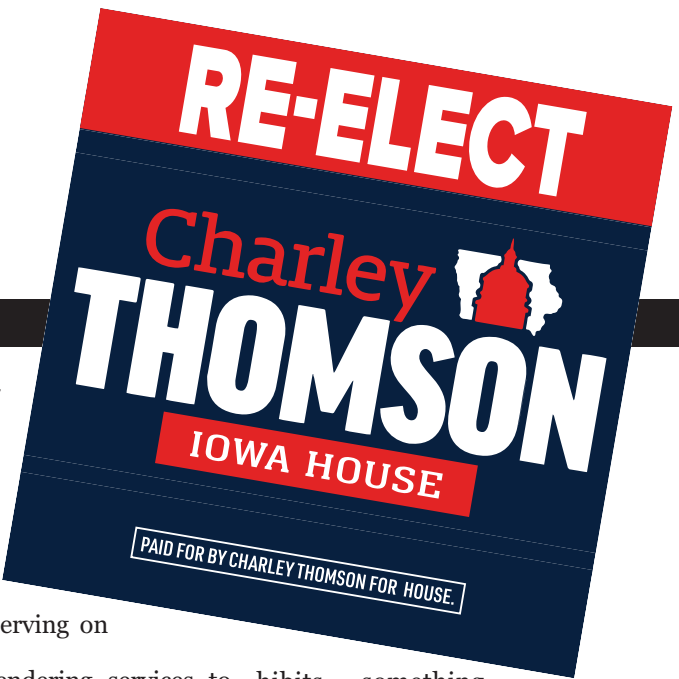
part of the Iowa code prohibits its payment to supervisors for serving on 28E boards.

"You're not rendering services to the county per se, you're rendering services to that entity and that's how they claim to get around it," Laudner said. "I think the bottom line is any specific portion of the code that pro-

hibits something trumps anything else that doesn't prohibit it."

Laudner added that Cerwinski is

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton homecoming royalty candidates include (front row, from left) Kinsley Hackman, Cora Schwickerath, Taylor Ries, Braelyn Rosonke, Emma Sweitzer, (back) Reid Rausch, Tate Schwickerath, Beau Serie, Caleb Rochford and Bryar Usher.

Students kind of a big deal for homecoming

New Hampton High School Student Senate members put plenty of time into this week's plethora of activities

By BOB FENSKE
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Sunday was not a day of rest at New Hampton High School. Ditto for dozens of the school's students, too.

That's because homecoming week — one themed "We're Kind of a Big Deal" — kicked off with a bang ... or at least a whole lot of redecorating in an effort to maximize school spirit this week.

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"I think, to me, the whole thing about homecoming is it's student led, it's student driven," said Melissa Nelson, the advisor for the school's Student Senate that puts on the annual celebration. "They're giving up their Sunday, they're

putting in hours and hours to make sure this is a week that our students will remember."

Nelson said it is the members of the Student Senate who have planned the week that includes three assemblies, dress-up days, the parade and king coronation that take place today (Thursday), the queen coronation that will be held at halftime of Friday's homecoming game against Oelwein and the dance that will

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Harvest begins with a 'trickle'

ISU Extension agronomist optimistic that yields will be surprising

By BOB FENSKE
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The harvest in Northeast Iowa has started, albeit slowly, and an ISU Extension agronomist based out of Nashua believes area farmers are going to like looking at their yield monitors in coming weeks.

"I think every indication is that we're going to have some pretty nice yields," Terry Basol said from his office at the Northeast Iowa Research Farm. "You take away the trouble we had getting the crop planted, and we had a pretty solid growing season."

"We got good rain early, and even though it dried out in August, we avoided those prolonged extreme heat situations

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A farmer harvests a soybean field a couple of miles west of Fredericksburg Sunday afternoon.

Chickasaw Hall of Fame to add quartet Friday

By BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton High School's Athletic Hall of Fame will welcome four new members before the Chickasaws' football team plays its annual homecoming game this Friday.

Those being inducted include longtime Chickasaw football coach Scott Frerichs, retired New Hampton Parks and Recreation Director Rick Kramer, volleyball and track standout Megan (Lehman) Olson and multi-sport star Carter Stochl, who won the 2017 Class 2A state golf championship.

Each year the Chickasaw Booster Club coordinates the Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony for the New Hampton Community School District and has done so since the Hall of Fame was initiated in 1995.

With the addition of the Class of 2024, the hall will have 137 members.

Individuals may be inducted for their success as an athlete, coach or in the area of service as a patron and supporter of the New Hampton athletic programs.

The 2024 Hall of Fame inductees who will be honored Friday night before the Chickasaws take on Oelwein include:

Scott Frerichs

Scott Frerichs was an assistant sophomore football coach for three years, an assistant varsity football coach for four years and the head coach of the Chickasaws for 31 years, and he will be the first to say that "every season had special moments."

There were the 1999 Chickasaws, who claimed the first and only state football championship in school history. There was the 2009 team that advanced to the state playoff semifinals. There were the 1994 and 2013 Chickasaws who had undefeated playoff teams.

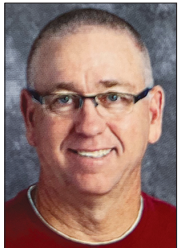
There were the 21 state playoff teams, the 220 first-team all-district players and the 57 all-state players. In other words, New Hampton football experienced an unparalleled level of success during Frerichs' almost four decades with Chickasaw football.

But it was more than the wins, the championships and the playoff runs that made New Hampton football such a key component of its coach's life.

"I am most happy with how we developed teams that played the game the right way," he said, "and had a lot of fun and working and growing together. ... Thank you for recognizing me because that recognizes a lot of people who have coached and played football in New Hampton over the past 38 years."

By the time he retired from coaching football following the 2023 season, Frerichs had amassed a school-record 204 wins and become one of only 60 coaches in the long history of Iowa football to

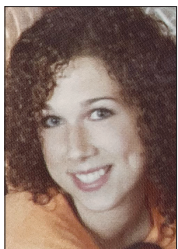
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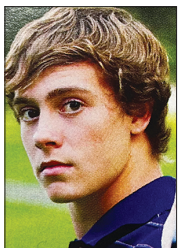
Frerichs



Kramer



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Plum Creek Art Center/Connie Mohr Art Gallery has plenty to celebrate as it turns 10

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Senior Nights

Chickasaws, Trojans celebrate their volleyball seniors

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Photo courtesy of Linda Kapler

Eight area veterans pose for a group photo after they received Quilts of Valor during a presentation ceremony held at the Ionia Fire Station earlier this month.

Quilt of Valor chapter presents eight ‘thank yous’

The Freedom Strippers chapter of the Quilts of Valor wrapped up a busy year with its final presentation ceremony earlier this month at the Ionia Fire Station. Eight veterans received quilts during the ceremony and they included the following:

- Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Scott Felder.
 - Air Force Staff Sgt. Tracy Felder.
 - Army Sgt. Dennis Harkrader.
 - Navy Machinist Mate Fireman Eugene Heiselman.
- Army Spec. 4th Class Ron Heit.
 - Air Force Tech Sgt. Tekah Kasuboski.
 - Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Gordon Krueger.
 - Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Gary Kruger.

Nashua outreach center to host unique choir for concert next week

By BOB FENSKE
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Drew McHolm can't wait, and he hopes the feeling is mutual among area residents. In short, the Little Brown Church pastor believes we're in for a treat on Thursday, Oct. 3, when the Compass Outreach Center will host Watoto, a Christ-centered children's choir from Uganda, for a concert that he believes will provide area residents with an emotional journey. "I'm really excited, and even though I've never seen them, everything I hear is out of this world," McHolm said about the concert at Compass, which is a ministry of the Little Brown Church and is located near the

intersection of Greeley and Woodbridge streets in Nashua. "The choir has a wonderful story that they will bring through their singing, dancing and their personal stories — ones that are filled with so much restoration and hope. Watoto has visited twice before when the First Congregational Church hosted the group. That church merged with the Little Brown Church several years ago, and the building is now home to the Compass Outreach Center. "Many of those Congregational members are now members of our church," McHolm said, "and when they heard that Watoto was on tour again, they told me, 'We have to

have them here again.'" Watoto is a family made up of people from all over the world who are working together to ensure the forgotten have a place to belong. In 1984, during a time of civil war, Watoto planted a church in Kampala, Uganda to speak hope and life to the nation. Since then, Watoto has rescued thousands of orphaned and abandoned babies and children, placing them in loving families. The children of Watoto will be performing songs from their brand-new album, "Better Days – There Is Hope" which presents the story of orphaned and abandoned African children who've received the love and care needed to help them

rise above their circumstances ready to make a difference in the world as they become Africa's future leaders. All proceeds from the sale of the album will help Watoto continue to provide vulnerable children with an education, medical care, a safe place to call home and most of all the love of a family. The Oct. 3 concert will begin at 6 p.m.

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be held on Saturday evening at the Chickasaw Event Center. "For the most part, they are the ones that are in charge, and I'm really what I'm supposed to be, an advisor if they have questions," Nelson said. "Honestly, the more I can have the students plan and do the work, the better it is for everyone. ... Student Senate, after all, is about lead-

ership and I love watching them pick up that mantle and run with it. It's much more meaningful to the students if they're doing it." Nelson said she and the Student Senate appreciate the community support homecoming receives. For example, she pointed out that businesses like Zip's and Stanton Electric provide flat-bed trucks for the parade. For another, she said the city's two flower shops —

Blue Iris and Pocketful of Posies — go above and beyond when it comes to the flowers each provides on an every-other-year basis. "We do get really great community support," she said, "but I really believe homecoming is for the students and that's why they need to be in charge, so to speak. It's their celebration and when they have ownership of it, it pays off for them."

New Hampton Public Library to hold Iowa culinary program Oct. 24

Everyone has an Iowa food story, and Lake City, Iowa, author Darcy Dougherty Maulsby will bring these stories to life on Thursday, Oct. 24, at the New Hampton Public Library for a free, virtual Adventures in Iowa's Culinary History program. The event starts at 5:30 p.m. During her fun, interactive program, Maulsby serves up fascinating tidbits and cooking tips related to more than 150 years of Iowa cuisine and ethnic food traditions, from all corners

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Supervisors reach the consensus that chair shouldn't take stipend

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still serving the county while serving on the board at the landfill.

"You're put on there as a Board of Supervisor member in service to the county itself," the county attorney said. "You can't get on there unless you're a Board of Supervisor member."

Laudner said he understands that lawyers often disagree, but his conclusion was the same as his predecessor, Jennifer Schwickerath, had in 2019 when the issue first came up.

Supervisor Jake Hackman said that he, too, agreed with Laudner.

"I'm the one that brought it up," he said, "I was here when Dave's predecessor was here and I think that was her opinion at that time. I'd just like to see it forfeited, but that's just me."

It turned out it wasn't just him; instead, the other three supervisors — Matt Kuhn, Steve Breitbach and Travis Suckow — agreed, and at the end of Monday's meeting, Cerwinski said he would abide by the consensus of the board.

Reached Tuesday, Cerwinski emphasized that "it's not about the money."

Instead, he said he felt it didn't make a lot of sense for the landfill to write him a check that he turned over to the county and then received a check from the county for his mileage.

Cerwinski said he would ask the landfill to only write him a

check for the mileage he drives to and from landfill meetings.

"I enjoy serving on that board, and I'm going to continue to do so," he said. "We reached out to get a legal opinion, and obviously our county attorney and my fellow board members disagreed with it but that doesn't mean I'm going to stop doing what I'm doing for the landfill board."

In other news from Monday's Board of Supervisors meeting:

- Supervisors agreed to accept bids for stored furniture and equipment the county has no plans to use in the future.

- Board members agreed to hire Purple Wave Auction Company to help with the sale of two Sheriff's Office vehicles — a 2016 Durango and a 2017 Durango — that are being "decommissioned" with the arrival of new vehicles.

- And Hackman also spent a short time discussing the state of county finances, pointing out that the county, as of Monday, had about \$2.26 million of cash on hand even though it has yet to collect the first round of property taxes in the 2024-25 fiscal year.

"We always worry about having enough money to get through the first three months [of a fiscal year] until we get property taxes in," Hackman said.

"That's a lot of cash, and I think it's something we need to keep in mind when it comes to budget time."

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Pope John Paul II waves to the crowd during his October 1979 visit to Iowa.

Photo courtesy of Living History Farms

Iowa PBS to look back on pope’s visit

In October 1979, Pope John Paul II made his first trip to the United States as leader of the Roman Catholic Church. A passionate invitation written by one Iowa farmer caught the attention of the Holy Father, setting in motion a breathtaking and unprecedented event for the state.

The Pope’s Visit to Iowa, a new documentary from Iowa PBS, will premiere Monday, Oct. 7, at 8 p.m. and be rebroadcast on Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 10:30 p.m. It will also be available to stream on iowapbs.org and on the PBS app.

“In the documentary, there’s a part where Marty Jorgenson, the filmmaker, describes what it was like when the helicopter

first shows up and everything just becomes more reverent. He couldn’t be more right,” said Iowa PBS producer John Torpy. “I still remember seeing that helicopter on the horizon, and all of a sudden the clouds parted.

“It warmed up and it just became like the most peaceful place on earth. I hope I did the moment justice because you can’t describe it.”

The Des Moines Roman Catholic Diocese hired a filmmaker to document preparations for the first visit by a Pope to the state of Iowa.

The film was made available to Iowa PBS to commemorate the 45th anniversary of the Pope’s visit. Meet several peo-

ple involved in the film and the event for a unique look at the history behind the logistical and spiritual planning it took for such a momentous event.

Iowans interested in seeing the documentary before the Iowa PBS broadcast are invited to Living History Farms for a premiere screening on September 30. Guided tours of the Church of the Land will be available beginning at 5 p.m. with refreshments served in the visitor center.

The film will begin in the visitor center at 6 p.m.

Parking at Living History Farms is available in the paved lots to the south and east of the visitor center, with overflow parking on the front lawn.

Guests who do not wish to walk from the visitor center to the Church of the Land (about 1/5 mile on boardwalk and dirt/gravel path) should call 515-278-5286 in advance to arrange parking at the Church of the Land.

A short discussion will follow the hour-long premiere, including Iowa PBS producer John Torpy and individuals featured in the documentary: David Oman, press secretary for Gov. Robert Ray; Marty Jorgensen, filmmaker; Monsignor Bognanno; and Gen. Harold “Tommy” Thompson.

For more information and to register for this free event, visit iowapbs.org/events.

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2 Corinthians 9:7

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If you're planning to retire in a few years, are you looking forward to it? Or are you somewhat apprehensive? Are you asking yourself: "What sort of retirement can I afford?"

It's a good question — because the answer can make a big difference in your ability to enjoy life as a retiree.

And retirement can indeed be enjoyable, exciting and fun. Consider this from a recent survey by Edward Jones and AgeWave: A majority of respondents said retirement should be looked at as a whole new chapter of life, and not just a time for rest and relaxation. In other words, people are viewing retirement as a chance for new experiences and new opportunities, rather than a time to simply wind down. But if you're going to make the most of your retirement — which could last two or even three decades — you need to be financially prepared.

This preparation can involve many steps, but here are some of the key ones:

- *Decide what your retirement lifestyle will look like.* How you choose to spend your retirement years can make a big difference in the financial resources you'll need. For example, if you plan on traveling the world, you might need more income than if you were to stay close to home and pursue your hobbies. If you can envision your retirement lifestyle and estimate how much money you'll need to support it, you can help reduce some of the uncertainties you might face once you do retire.

- *Review your income sources.* During retirement, you'll likely need to draw on all your income sources, so it's a good idea to know what you'll have available, such as your IRA, 401(k) and other investment accounts. You'll also need to decide when to take Social Security — if you



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wait until your full retirement age (probably between 66 and 67), you'll get much larger monthly benefits than if you started taking them at 62. And here's another variable: earned income. Even if you've retired from your career, you might, if you desire, use your acquired skills in a consulting or part-time position. The more you can earn, the less you may have to withdraw from your investment accounts and the better position you'll be in to delay taking Social Security.

- *Consider adjusting your investment portfolio.* For most of your working years, you may have invested mostly for growth — to increase your assets as much as possible. But growth-oriented investments are also, by nature, riskier, so when you retire, you should review your portfolio to determine whether you need to move it toward a more conservative position. Also, more conservative investments may provide more current income in the form of interest payments. However, even in retirement, you may need some investments with growth potential if you want to keep ahead of inflation.

Retirement is certainly a major milestone in your life — and adjusting to it can take some time. But there will be much less to fear — and much more to enjoy — if you've done what you can to prepare yourself financially.

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Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club officers — (from left) President Jodi Njus, Membership Director Misti Shawver, Vice President Ryan Shawver, Treasurer Jen Ewert and Secretary Tara Pesek — before their monthly meeting last week. The quintet that will induct four new members into the organization's Hall of Fame on Friday, are reminding New Hampton "backers" that they're more than welcome to attend Booster Club meetings that are held on the third Wednesday of each month.

Hall of Fame to welcome four new members Friday

HALL OF FAME: FROM 1

have more than 200 career victories.

For 38 years, he was a mainstay of Chickasaw athletics. He coached track and field for 23 seasons, including 17 as head coach. His 2015 team won the school's only NEIC track title, and he said "watching Blake Flansche and Noah Fenske be two-time state champs was special."

He has great memories from coaching sophomore basketball for 11 years and said "we worked hard to create a good program and it was satisfying watching these teams experience success during that time."

Frerichs, who also served as New Hampton's activities director for four years, continues to teach math at the high school, and he and his wife, Lori, raised four children — Megan, Mitch, Connor and Lauren — who were all active and successful Chickasaw student-athletes. They are also the proud grandparents to Kaia and Annabelle Boeding and Hayes and Madden Frerichs.

"I want to thank my family for supporting my coaching and all of the Chickasaw teams," he said and added that he appreciated the support long-ago administrators showed him. "I also want to thank Bob Longmuir and Gary Ross for believing in me and giving me the opportunity to be a head coach."

Rick Kramer

For more than 30 years, Rick Kramer was a mainstay at the New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department, where he says he was "blessed to work with a lot of good people and have great partnerships with our community on a number of improvements in our parks."

And those improvements helped create an atmosphere for Chickasaw sports — especially baseball and softball — that was second to none.

Kramer graduated from New Hampton High School in 1977 and went on to work at Sara Lee and the CNH Lumber Yard before taking a job with the New Hampton Parks Department in 1990. He was named the Parks and Recreation director in 2006, a position he held until retiring early in 2023.

During his time as director, he was part of updates to the baseball and softball diamonds at Mikkelson Park, helped lead

the renovation of the park's famed "Rocket Slide," oversaw a major renovation project at Garnant Park and its pond, took the lead in upgrades to the city's swimming pool and helped plan and raise funds for the TRIBE Trail.

Kramer and his wife, Donna, have four adult children — Scott, Travis, Nicole and Ryan — all of whom were involved with Chickasaw athletics and graduated from New Hampton.

In retirement, he has remained busy, working several part-time jobs, but the apples of his eye in this latest chapter are definitely his seven grandchildren — Bryson, Addy, Eden, Fletcher, Jamie, Cal and Laney.

"This is a great community with a lot of great people," he said, "and it's been an honor to work with them."

Megan (Lehman) Olson

Megan (Lehman) Olson may not have that one a-ha moment as a Chickasaw; instead, she is thankful for the opportunities her alma mater gave her.

"I'm grateful to have experienced high school through two very different activities — sports and music," said the 2008 New Hampton graduate, who went on to play volleyball at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. "They gave me an opportunity to surround myself with various types of friends, learn a wide range of skills and be introduced to a diverse set of challenges to overcome."

Lehman was a standout volleyball player and track athlete and also was a member of the New Hampton Concert and Marching bands before taking her talents to Cedar Falls, where she earned a degree in graphic communications.

She was a two-year starter for the Panthers — leading the team in kills during her senior season in 2012 — on the volleyball court and in both of those years, Lehman helped UNI earn trips to the NCAA tournament.

Today, the daughter of Cary and Julie Lehman runs two businesses — Graphic Design and Nutrition Consulting — but ask her about her recent accomplishments and one stands alone.

"Although cliché, my greatest recent accomplishment is motherhood," said Lehman, who added that she is appreciative and humbled by her induction into the Hall of Fame. "Learning and growing alongside my son means more to me than anything."

Carter Stochl

Carter Stochl was the epitome of a student-athlete — he excelled in the classroom and on the athletic field.

The 2017 graduate ranked No. 1 in his class academically, was a member of the National Honor Society, was an all-state golfer and baseball player and an all-district quarterback.

It was in golf, though, that he cemented his status as a Chickasaw legend.

As a senior, Stochl fired a 68 on the final day of the Class 2A state tournament to become the first and thus far only Chickasaw to bring home a state individual championship in the sport.

And it's a moment from that Memorial Day weekend Saturday that will always bring back fond memories to the Chickasaw standout student-athlete.

"As I walked to my last hole at the 2017 state golf tournament, I looked at Keegan Tenge, my teammate who had finished early and was watching my final hole," Stochl said, "and I said, 'Holy crap, I'm five under,' I then proceeded to almost hit my tee shot out of bounds and make bogey but still won by two."

He also excelled in football and baseball — leading the Chickasaws to a playoff berth on the gridiron during his senior year and, as a pitcher and shortstop, helping New Hampton to a No. 1 ranking on the baseball diamond the following summer.

Stochl went on to play golf at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, where he was a Presidential Scholarship recipient for four years, UNI's 2021 Student-Athlete of the Year and a Missouri Valley Conference first-team academic all-conference selection.

He graduated with degrees in biochemistry and biology and a minor in psychology and is currently a student at Georgetown Law School in Washington, D.C.

Briefs

Leah's Pancake Breakfast to be held at Mikkelson Park Saturday

Rain or shine Saturday a memorial pancake breakfast for the late Leah Schwickerath will be held at Mikkelson Park from 9 to 11 a.m.

Leah's Annual Pancake Breakfast will serve pancakes and sausage with authentic maple syrup, and the free-will donations collected will be used to benefit local causes.

To-go orders are available by calling 641-229-5510.

Third annual New Horizons-Chamber scarecrow contest underway

Sign-up has started, and ends Oct. 11 for this year's scarecrow contest in New Hampton, the third year for the event that is sponsored by New Horizons-Chamber.

All New Hampton businesses and industries are invited to participate. All displays must be in place by Oct. 17, voting will be open via Facebook Oct. 21 and 22, with the winner announced Oct. 25.

To sign up, contact New Horizons Director Liz Zweibohmer at 641-394-2021 or email nhcnnewhampton@gmail.com.

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.

Ionia farm wins at State Fair

Niehaus and Feldman Genetics of Ionia took home the Champion Gilt, Champion Boar, Reserve Champion Boar and Premier Exhibitor titles at the Spotted Swine show judged at the 2024 Iowa State Fair.

Places for Niehaus and Feldman Genetics are as follows:

- 1) 150.1, Class 1 Boars
- 1) 150.2 Class 2 Boars
- 1) and 6) 155.1 Class 1 Gilts
- 1) and 2) 155.3 Class 3 Gilts
- 4) 155.4 Class 4 Gilts
- 1) and 2) 900 Champion and Reserve Boar
- 1) 901 Champion and Reserve Gilt
- 1) 902, Premier Exhibitor

Thank You

The New Hampton Knights of Columbus Council 1697, would like to thank the New Hampton Community and beyond for your generous support to our Tootsie Roll Drive. This Drive took place on the weekend of September 20th. One hundred percent of funds we have collected will go to support programs for the mentally challenged people in the state of Iowa and our community.

CHICKASAW COUNTY COMMISSION AND BOARD MEMBER OPENINGS

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors seeks candidates to serve on various openings with terms vacant or expiring on December 31, 2024

- **Local Board of Health – 1 opening**
- **Conservation Board District 5 – 1 opening**
- **Magistrate Appointing Commission – 1 opening**
- **Civil Service Commission – 2 openings**
- **Planning & Zoning Commission - 1 opening**

Application forms are available in the Chickasaw County Auditor's Office on the second floor of the Courthouse in New Hampton or on the Chickasaw County Website:
<https://chickasawcounty.iowa.gov>

Submit application form no later than 4:30 PM on Friday, Dec. 13, 2024 to the Chickasaw County Auditor
8 East Prospect, P.O. Box 311 New Hampton, IA 50659

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.

CHICKASAW COUNTY VETERANS TRIBUTE SUBMISSION

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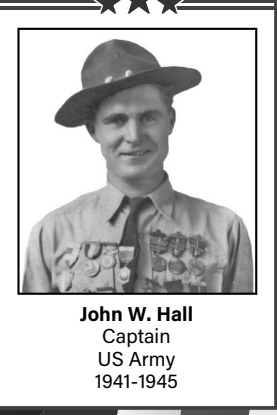
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Picture and information must be received by October 24, 2024

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



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Thursday	85	55	--
Friday	84	55	--
Saturday	90	56	--
Sunday	68	46	--
Monday	71	46	--
Tuesday	74	49	--

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high of 77 and a low of 53.

Friday: Partly sunny with a slight chance of showers; high 77, low 56.

Saturday: Partly sunny with chance of a pop-up shower; high 76, low 57.

Sunday: Partly sunny with slight chance of showers; high 76, low 56.

Extended forecast: More of the same to start the work week with partly cloudy skies, slight chances of showers, highs in the 70s and lows in the 50s.

Meetings

MONDAY

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

History

- In 1580, English sea-man Francis Drake returns to Plymouth, England becoming the first British navigator to sail the earth.
- In 1820, the pioneering frontiersman Daniel Boone dies quietly in his sleep at his son's home near present-day Defiance, Missouri; he was 86.
- In 1918, more than 700 Allied tanks, followed closely by infantry troops, advance against German positions in the Argonne Forest and along the Meuse River, signaling the start of the last great offensive of World War I.
- In 1957, "West Side Story" premieres on Broadway.
- In 1960, for the first time in U.S. history, a debate between major party presidential candidates is broadcast on live television as presidential hopefuls, John F. Kennedy, a Democratic senator of Massachusetts, and Richard M. Nixon, the vice president of the United States, met in a Chicago studio to discuss U.S. domestic matters.
- In 1970, the first episode of "The Brady Bunch" airs on ABC.

Birthdays

- The great American poet T.S. Eliot was born in 1888.
- The late singer and actress Olivia Newton-John was born in 1948.
- Actress Zoe Perry, who played the mother of the title character in TV's "Young Sheldon," turns 41.
- Former tennis great Serena Williams turns 43.
- Linda Hamilton, who starred in the early "Terminator" movies, turns 68.

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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Nancy Jean Anderson, 63

Nancy Jean Anderson, age 63 of Evansdale and formerly of New Hampton, died Monday, Sept. 16, 2024, at MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center of natural causes.

A private family graveside committal service will take place at the New Hampton City Cemetery.

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

Nancy Jean Anderson was born June 1, 1961, in Rochester, Minnesota, the daughter of Walter and Dorothy (Johnson) Anderson.

A proud 1980 graduate of New Hampton High School, Nancy's academic journey was a testament to her determination and love for learning.

Her pursuit of excellence led her to the Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences in Rochester, where she earned her registered nursing degree with a spirit of perseverance and grace.

As a nurse, she touched countless lives in Rochester, Minnesota, Iowa City and Minneapolis — working to ensure the health and well-being of her patients.

Nancy's recent move to Evansdale marked a new chapter in her career, where she continued to shine as a patient coordinator at MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center.

Away from her professional life, Nancy embraced her passions with the same fervor she dedicated to her patients.

She was an extraordinary cook and baker, known for her delectable dishes and sumptuous treats that she enjoyed sharing with friends and family.



Nancy Anderson

Her love for reading was a well-known facet of her personality, often sparking lively discussions and book recommendations.

Nancy's nimble fingers were not just skilled in the art of healing but also in playing cards and cribbage, where she was a formidable opponent and a delightful companion. Her creativity found a special expression in her talent for sewing.

Survivors include two sisters, Karen Anderson and Susan (Norm) Pihale, both of New Hampton; sister-in-law, Gayle Anderson of Webster City; brother-in-law, Francis Zeimet of Elma; and nieces and nephew, Elizabeth (Remington) Edwards, Sara (Robert) Schaudenecker, Scott (Amy) Zeimet, Emily (Adam) Dodge and Rachel Anderson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, David Carl Anderson and his wife, EllaMae and the Rev. Douglas James Anderson; sister, Linda Marie Zeimet; and nephew, David Scott Anderson.

Robert 'Bob' Kriener, 77

Robert "Bob" Kriener, age 77 of Brooklyn, died Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2024, at UnityPoint Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2024, at St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church in Fort Atkinson with the Rev. Nick Radloff celebrating the Mass.

Interment will follow at St. Boniface Cemetery in Ionia.

Friends may greet the family an hour prior to the Mass on Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2024, at the church.

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

Property Transfers

Wade A. Waddell and Jennifer M. Waddell to Paul Hackman and Teresa Hackman; JOHNSONS ADD L7 SW 19-95-12.

Elizabeth Joann Robinson, E. Joann Robinson and Elizabeth J. Robinson to Clement O. Merchant; N52' NEW HAMPTON MAPLE LEAF ADDITION Lot: 2 Block: 3.

Thomas Franzen and Irene Franzen to Thomas Franzen and Irene Franzen; PARCEL C SW SE 27-97-13 N1/2 NW 35-97-13 N1/2 NE 34-97-13 N1/2 SE 27-97-13 PT COMM E1/4 COR NE SE 27-97-13.

Eldon A. Sternat EST, Daniel Sternat EX, Dan Sternat EX and Joe Sternat EX to Michael Sternat; L2 NE SE 10-94-13 SW SE 10-94-13 SE SE 10-94-13 L2 SE SW 10-94-13 L2 NE SW 10-94-13 L2 NW SE 10-94-13.

Eldon A. Sternat EST, Daniel Sternat EX, Dan Sternat EX and Joe Sternat EX to Joe Sternat; SE SW 36-95-14 S1/2 SE 28-95-13 W3/4 NE NE 10-94-13 W3AC N60AC W1/2 NW 11-94-13 W1/2 SW 02-94-13 UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST N1/2 SE 111-94-13.

Eldon A. Sternat EST, Daniel Sternat EX, Dan Sternat EX and Joe Sternat EX to Daniel Sternat; EX N RR NW SE 02-94-12 SW SE 02-94-12 PT OF STRIP 100'WIDE NW 02-94-12.

Naomi Hruska EST and Michael Hruska EX to Lawrence Hruska; SE SE 05-96-11 N1/2 EX PARCEL C NE 08-96-11.

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Donald 'Don' 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.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2024, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Nashua with the Rev. Tom Heathershaw celebrating the Mass.

Interment followed at St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery in Nashua with Richard Nehl, Jeff Nehl, Tom Nehl, Leon Mast, Tom Beaben and David Boss serving as pallbearers.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 23, 2024 at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in Nashua. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass on Tuesday at the funeral home.

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

Born on May 8, 1932, in Waterloo, to Robert and Bonnie (Hamilton) Boss, Don's life was a testament to the values of hard work, dedication and the joy of simple pleasures.

Don spent his early years in Alta Vista, where he graduated from high school and met the love of his life, Florence Nehl, at a basketball game in 1951.

Their courtship blossomed into a lifelong partnership, and they were married on Nov. 25, 1953, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Alta Vista. Together, they built a family foundation that would endure for over 70 years.



Don Boss

After high school, Don worked on the family farm until he was drafted into the Army in 1954, serving his country with honor until 1956. Upon returning home, he became a farm-hand in Tripoli.

His industrious nature led him to work at the elevator for Urban Sinnwell in Alta Vista for several years before finding his true calling in managing a lumber yard.

Don's career in the lumber industry took him to various towns, and he eventually retired from his last position in Nashua.

Don's life was rich with interests and hobbies that brought him and those around him much joy. He had a passion for bluegrass music and could often be found dancing or playing cards with friends. Socializing was second nature to Don, and he cherished the trips he took with friends and family.

A dedicated family man,

Don loved nothing more than spending time with his grandchildren, sharing with them the stories and lessons of his many years.

A proud veteran, Don was an active member of the honor guard for nearly seven decades, from 1956 until his passing in 2024. His service to his fellow veterans was a source of great pride and camaraderie.

In retirement, Don discovered a new talent for hand weaving rugs, a craft he found both challenging and rewarding. He would often joke with Florence that this meticulous work was his exercise for the day, replacing the need for walking.

Those who knew Don would describe him as handy, selfless, and thoughtful. He had a knack for fixing things, a willingness to help others before himself, and a gentle, considerate nature that made him a cherished presence in the lives of all who knew him.

Don was survived by his wife, Florence Boss of Nashua; son, Mike Boss of Charles City; grandchildren, Brody, Kelly, Tricia, Christina, Jackie and Nicole; great-grandchildren: Maggie, Maddie, Tommy, Jack, Marshall, Paige, Quinn, Brooke, Cole and Blake; and great-great-grandchild Kori.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Bonnie (Hamilton) Boss; sons, Jim and Dale Boss; brothers, Henry, Robert, Paul, Bill and Dale Boss; sisters, Edna, Nellie, Mary, Florence and Eva; and several in-laws and nieces and nephews.

Lois Marie Mahan, 79

Lois Marie Mahan, affectionately known to all as Lois, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Sept. 19, 2024, at the age of 79, in Charles City.

Born on May 6, 1945, in New Hampton, Lois was a beacon of gentle strength and unwavering generosity throughout her life.

A public graveside service will be held at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in North Washington at 1 p.m. on July 22, 2025, their 49th wedding anniversary.

Lois's early education took place in North Washington, where she completed through the eighth grade, and she later graduated from New Hampton High School in 1963.

Her academic journey laid a strong foundation for the dedicated work ethic she was known for.

It was while working that Lois's life took a romantic turn as she met a young man named Jack Mahan. Their chance meeting blossomed into a profound love, culminating in marriage on July 22, 1976, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Together, Lois and Jack chose the Colwell area to plant their roots and build their forever home.

Professionally, Lois was the heart and soul of Ray's Union House Restaurant in Charles City. She worked her way up to managing the establishment, a role she embraced with passion and pride. Lois's dedication to Ray's was evident in the joy



Lois Mahan

and satisfaction she brought to her customers, many of whom became lifelong friends. Under her management, Ray's wasn't just a restaurant; it was a community hub that mirrored Lois's warmth and hospitality.

Despite battling health complications throughout her life, Lois never let these challenges dim her spirit.

Her love for reading was insatiable, providing her with countless hours of adventure and escape. She was also an avid fan of soap operas, which she followed with enthusiasm and joy.

Lois's admiration for Elvis was no secret to those close to her, as his music and charisma resonated with her deeply, marking the soundtrack of many cherished memories.

Lois's thoughtfulness was perhaps most evident in her tradition of sending birthday cards. Each family member looked forward to this annual gesture, knowing it was crafted with love and attention unique to Lois's generous nature. These cards were more than simple well-wishes; they were a testament to her dedication to celebrating the lives of those she held dear.

Those who had the privilege of knowing Lois would agree that she was the embodiment of thoughtfulness, generosity, and gentleness. Her presence was a comforting constant in the lives of her loved ones, and her absence will be felt deeply. Lois's legacy is not only in the memories she leaves behind but also in the examples she set on how to live a life filled with love, resilience, and kindness.

Lois is survived by her husband, Ronald "Jack" Mahan of Colwell; two step-daughters, Jackie (Leland Wayne) Mahan of Charles City, and Roxanne Mahan of Charles City; one brother, Rick (Donna) Houser of New Hampton; two sisters, Karen (Denny) Shearman of Charles City, and Diane (Darryl) Dietzenbach of New Hampton; several nieces and nephews; four grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sam and Gertie (Bogges) Houser of New Hampton.

News Bits From Our Past Compiled by Terri Josephson

Week of Sept. 22 1949 (75 years ago)

- An Iowa registered Jersey cow has been rated as a Tested Dam by The American Jersey Cattle Club.

The distinction was awarded Tormontor Valentine Midget for having three offspring with official production records. She is owned by Russell K. Hawkins of Nashua. The cow's descendants averaged 7,526 pounds of milk and 447 pounds of butterfat on twice daily milking. The test were checked by the Iowa State College and The American Jersey Cattle Club.

- Temperatures ranged from a low of 28 degrees to a high of 76 degrees Saturday and Tuesday the past week. Although there were white frosts on two mornings there has been no general killing frost. No rain was recorded during the week.

1974 (50 years ago)

- A girls softball fall campaign that opened with five losses in its first six games ended with the fifth win in a five-game winning streak for the Turkey Valley Trojanettes. Coach Ray Hansen's club blanked the Pantherettes 7 to 0 in the regular season finale for a final mark of six wins and five losses.

Jenny Speltz handled the pitching duties for the Trojanettes.

- The grand opening of the Mick Gage Electrical-Plumbing and Heating at the firm's new location in New Hampton, will be held Friday, Sept. 27 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. The business is located in a new building on Highway 18 West. A New Hampton businessman since 1970, Gage came here from Summer early that year.

1999 (25 years ago)

- The New Hampton varsity football team was a 28-0 shutout winner in their Class 3A, District 3 opener at Waterloo Columbus. The Chickasaws amassed a total of 390 offensive yards and seventeen first downs while allowing only 63 total yards and three first downs for the Sailors. New Hampton showed great balance on offense from the fullback, tailback and receivers. Jason Reicks rushed for 103 yards, Matt Shatek carried for 126 yards and Blake Flansche had 102 yards on seven passes from quarterback Derek Sauser.
- At a regular meeting Monday night, the New Hampton School Board honored a departing member and welcomed a new one. Deb Riley stepped down after 15 years of service and was

replaced by David Utterback, D.D.S. The board presented Riley with a plaque in appreciation of her service. Riley thanked the board, administration, her family and everyone who helped her through the years. Ginny Laues was also presented a plaque in recognition of her 15 years as high school nurse. She retired prior to the start of the school year.

2014 (10 years ago)

- North Linn Avenue from Main Street to Milwaukee Street will be getting a makeover. The New Hampton City Council approved a "preconstruction agreement" with the Iowa Department of Transportation that will lead to the resurfacing of the road next summer.

The city and state jointly own the road, which is part of Iowa Highway 24. The DOT owns the road and the city owns the sewer and water lines that run underneath the road.

- The New Hampton Airport Foundation's "Fly-In and Drive-In Breakfast" was held and served close to 250 people. Foundation Board Member Jason Lahmann offered plane rides for \$25. The foundation hopes to raise \$180,000 to make improvements to the

airport's main runway. The airport was established in 1946.

2019 (5 years ago)

- The New Hampton varsity football team was outweighed by 30 to 40 pounds at virtually every position, but New Hampton found a way by playing tough, physical football in a 13-6 homecoming victory over the Waverly Go-Hawks.

Picking an MVP for this game would be downright impossible, for New Hampton had so many players step up and deliver huge plays at critical times. The Chickasaws evened their record at 2-2.

- Dollars for Scholars officials, students and staff members gathered Friday morning at the entrance of New Hampton's football stadium to turn the first shovels of dirt for the Chickasaw Legacy Path.

Co-President Dustin Lewis said the plan is to do the prep work this fall and then begin placing the bricks into place next spring. Two sizes of bricks are being sold. One is a 4x8-inch one that costs \$100 and an 8x8-inch for \$220, and the profits go to the program's scholarship program. More than 140 bricks have already been sold.

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It's a family affair at Garman Excavating



Photos courtesy of Sarah Garman
Sarah Garman (above) and her husband, Eric, started their own excavation company a year ago next week.

If it has to do with dirt, husband, wife and their children are all in

By **BOB FENSKE**
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Sarah Garman knows the look; in fact, she knows it by heart. She and her husband, Eric, will tell other couples about the business they own and operate — Garman Excavating — and almost invariably, out comes the "look."

"We run into other couples and tell them we work together and a lot of them say, 'There's no way I could work with my spouse,' but we love it," she said. "We get along great, we work really well together and I know Eric would say the same thing. I tell people this is the best job I've ever had."

And their business is about to become a toddler, if you will, as Garman Excavating, turns 1 on Oct. 1.

Patience has been a bit of a virtue during the first year in business for the little family-owned company that is truly a family affair as the couple's two teenagers — 17-year-old

Colin and 16-year-old Claire — work alongside their parents.

"It's starting to pick up," Sarah said, "and I think the big thing we're working on is getting our name out there. Not too many people know us yet, and we know it takes time to get known is probably the best way to put it. We're hoping after the crops get taken in that it'll pick up. That's the busy season because farmers know they need some help fixing tile and things like that."

Asked what her and her husband's business does, Sarah's response was simple: "If it involves dirt, we can help."

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Build your gift list for DIY enthusiasts

We know holidays are a ways off, but here's some gift ideas for those who do it themselves

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Rising prices have pushed people to look for new ways to save money. The do-it-yourself approach to home repairs has long been seen as a potential avenue to save money, and holiday shoppers can consider DIY when shopping for loved ones this year.

A recent survey by the remodeling company Allstar Home reported that 70 percent of Americans have recently engaged in DIY home improvement projects.

Similarly, a new Ipsos poll conducted on behalf of the DIY Network found that 73 percent of Canadian homeowners have done a renovation project themselves in the past.

With so many homeowners tackling projects around the home on their own, DIY-related products may be just what's needed to hammer down the perfect gift.

The following are some potential home improvement presents for DIY enthusiasts in your life:

- **Magnetic wristband:** Keeping items close at hand takes on new meaning when one utilizes a magnetic wristband. The BinyaTools Magnetic Wristband is just one of the versions of this handy tool that's ideal for wrangling screws, nails, washers, and any other ferrous items. It's also a great option for crafters and jewelry makers.
- **Painting essentials kit:** Painting is an easy and effective way to transform a room. For those DIYers who have yet to compile

all of their painting gear, local home improvement retailers often package kits that include a dropcloth, assorted roller sizes, brushes, a paint tray, and even painter's tape to get started on projects.

• **Rolling work bench:** People serious about projects will need a place to store all the tools they have collected.

A rolling work bench, such as the Gladiator nine-drawer work bench, has drawers to store tools and a wooden top on which smaller tasks can be tackled. Roll it where needed.

• **Hearing protection:** Drills, sanders and other power tools can be noisy.

DIYers will want to protect their hearing, and a set of workshop earmuffs can be a thoughtful gift.

Some even come with Bluetooth technology to offer both hearing protection and the ability to listen to tunes while working.

• **Headlamp:** DIYers need both hands to tackle jobs effectively, which can make holding a flashlight to illuminate the area challenging.

Hands-free lighting is possible with an LED headlamp. The light is easily focused where the user is looking.

• **Laser measuring tape:** A smart measuring tape utilizes a laser to increase measuring size, calculate distances and ensure that every home improvement project lines up.

• **Sawhorse:** DIYers working on large projects can benefit from an adjustable saw horse to support materials and ensure safer cuts.

Trends always changing when it comes to home improvement

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Home improvement trends come and go. In a testament to that reality, the wildly popular open floor plan concepts that have dominated homeowners' desires over the last decade-plus could be falling out of favor, a shift that Rachel Stults of Realtor.com linked to the COVID-19 pandemic in a 2023 interview with Business Insider.

Stults noted open floor plans will likely exhibit some measure of staying power, but linked the shift toward more traditional layouts to COVID lockdowns and the desire for more privacy among residents.

The shift away from open floor plans is a testament to the fleeting nature of home renovation trends.

But trends still deserve a place at the table among real estate investors and homeowners who want to renovate their homes with an eye on projects



that could be most appealing to prospective buyers.

As homeowners balance their own preferences with those that might help them sell their homes down the road, they can consider this list of the most popular rooms to renovate, courtesy of the "2024 U.S. Houzz & Home Study" from Houzz Research.

1. Kitchen
2. Guest bathroom
3. Primary bathroom
4. Living room
5. Guest bedroom

6. Primary bedroom
7. Laundry room
8. Closet
9. Dining room
10. Home office

When considering renovating these or other rooms, homeowners should know that Houzz researchers found that the median spend increased for most interior room upgrades compared to the previous year. However, the median cost to upgrade living rooms and home offices remained unchanged.

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How to make your home more ‘cozy’

Some simple tips to make houses more inviting and comfortable

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The meaning of the term “cozy” varies as it pertains to home decor. For some, cozy may mean intimate spaces with lots of quilts and throws. For others, cozy could indicate bright and airy spaces enhanced by plenty of fresh foliage.

Regardless of how they define cozy, homeowners typically want their homes to be inviting and comfortable. With that in mind, the following are some ways to impart a cozy vibe to any living space.

- **Make use of a fire-place.** Flames lapping wood (or faux wood in the event of gas-powered fireplaces) can put anyone in a tranquil state of mind. Fireplaces add instant ambiance and make great places for people to congregate and engage in conversation. During warmer months when the fire isn’t blazing, decorative candles can be lit to mimic the same feel.

- **Add texture in the design.** Texture can be anything from a raised pattern on wallpaper to a knotty area rug to a mosaic piece of artwork. A home with texture tends to create cozier impressions than one with all sleek and smooth surfaces.

- **Enjoy a soft rug.** Although many design experts say hardwood floors or lam-

inate options are easier for allergies and keeping a home clean, a soft rug underfoot can be welcoming. Rather than wall-to-wall carpeting, place area rugs in spots that can use some cozying up, such as beneath beds and even under the dining table.

- **Light candles.** The warm, flickering light of candles adds cozy vibes in spades. According to The Spruce and Paula Boston, a visual merchandiser for Festive Lights, candles can be used throughout a home to create instant atmosphere. Exercise caution with candles and fully extinguish them before retiring for the evening.

- **Update bedding for the season.** Crisp and light cotton and linen are cozy materials when the weather is warm. But when the temperature starts to dip, flannel or jersey bedding makes a bed that much more inviting, says Real Simple.

- **Invest in lots of pillows.** Pillows can instantly make a spot more cozy, whether it’s the living room sofa or an outdoor lounging nook. Look for materials that are durable for the space in which they’re being used.

- **Think about warm lighting.** The transition from incandescent light bulbs to halogen and LED is benefi-



cial from an environmental standpoint. However, LEDs illuminate with a more stark, blue light that can seem clinical in home spaces. Look for bulbs where the “temperature” can be customized. The more the

color spectrum leans toward warm light, the more cozy a space will feel. This can be enhanced by putting some lights on dimmer switches, and toning down the brightness as needed.

- **Install a bookshelf.** Even for those who are strict devotees of e-readers, a shelf full of actual books interspersed with some well-placed knickknacks can make a room feel more cozy. Books add

texture, the feel of hallowed halls and libraries, and visual appeal.

Making a home more cozy doesn’t have to be complicated. A few easy modifications can improve interior spaces.

Make time for planning home improvement

Planning plays an integral role in the home improvement process, and it’s perhaps a more time-consuming component of renovations than homeowners realize. According to the “2024 U.S. Houzz & Home Study” from Houzz Research, homeowners spent almost twice as much time planning their kitchen renovations in 2023 as it took for the projects to be completed.

The researchers behind the report found that the average time spent planning a kitchen renovation in 2023 was 9.6 months, while the building took 5.1 months. Additional projects featured a similar disparity between the time to plan and the time to build. For example, homeowners spent 8.1 months planning living room renovations, which then took an additional 4.1 months to complete.

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How to make renovation projects go smoothly

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Homeowners are spending big bucks on home renovations. According to the Joint Center for Housing Studies at Harvard University, home improvement project spending continues to increase. It's predicted to go from \$472 billion spent in 2022 to \$485 billion in 2024.

Those targeting a specific home renovation likely know there is much that goes into the process from start to finish. Patience is a requisite virtue with any remodel, as even a thoroughly conceptualized plan can encounter a few bumps along the way. Although there is no way to completely remove renovation-related obstacles, there are ways to make projects go more smoothly.

- **Establish a clear plan from the beginning.** Now is not the time to be on the fence about details. A vision for the renovation is essential, and should include details about layout, materials, colors, and design.
- **Manage your expectations.** Again, this speaks to a need for patience with a project but also involves flexibility. Being too rigid when choosing materials can require waiting for back-ordered supplies to come in.
- **Establish a budget.** It can be easy to spend beyond one's means, especially when issues crop up. Black House Real Estate stresses the importance of creating a budget before starting a renovation, which may involve working with a local professional to help. Houzz advises preparing for worst-case scenarios by adding anywhere from 1 percent to 20 percent to the budget. Commit to sticking to the budget no matter what comes down the pike.
- **Assemble a good team.** Thoroughly research all contractors who will be involved with the renovation. These include designers, architects, builders, and more.
- **Prepare the space for the remodel.** Any work you can do will help save on labor costs and make it easier for the team to get started on the project. Clear out clutter and personal items.
- **Have an escape hatch at the ready.** Home renovations can cause upheaval to daily life, and that can mean stress on top of already chaotic schedules. If money and situation allow, plan a getaway during a particularly tough stretch of the project so the noise, mess, and disruptions will not induce headaches.



Photo courtesy of Sarah Garman

Eric Garman and his son, Colin, pose for a photo before taking part in a parade this past summer.

Husband, wife look to grow excavating business

GARMANS: FROM 7

Navy for four years, he went to work for one of the big electrical unions and traveled around the country helping move dirt for those massive power lines one sees in and around large metropolitan areas like the Twin Cities. He also worked for tiling companies so he has the knowledge to help farmers get their tile back running and

has worked on all the wind turbines recently put up in Chickasaw County, preparing the dirt for the structures.

Sarah grew up as a Gorman — "I only had to change one letter when I got married," she said with a laugh — on a farm near New Hampton, graduating from high school in 1996.

"I was a farm girl who liked to get my hands dirty," she said, "so I love this kind of work. I was all for this, and even though we knew it would take time to grow our business, I'm glad we did it. We're invested in this as a family and that makes it even more mean-

ingful."

The couple also have a really cool backstory, too.

The Garmans met at, of all places, massage therapy school, where Sarah was a teacher and Eric the lone male student in her class.

"When the class had to work together, no one wanted to be with the good-looking guy and no one certainly wanted to work with the teacher," she said with a laugh. "I think our bond is that we both aren't afraid to get dirty and do hard work. It's why we were so excited to start this business."

And it's just as exciting

for mom and dad that son and daughter also are part of Garman Excavating. Colin recently graduated early from high school and works more with his parents on the equipment, but Claire, who also plans on graduating early from high school, does her part when it comes to some of the odd jobs — picking up sticks, for example — that come with a start-up excavating business.

"Doing this with each other, doing this with our kids," Sarah said, "that's the best part of our business. We're excited to keep getting our name out and see where it takes us."

Kitchens remain popular home improvement project

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Kitchens are often described as the most popular room in a home, and that's not mere conjecture.

A 2022 survey from House Digest asked participants to identify the room they consider most important in their homes, and roughly 41 percent chose the kitchen.

Residents tend to congregate in kitchens in the morning and then again in the evening when meals are prepared and, in homes without formal dining rooms, eaten. With so much time spent in the kitchen, it's no wonder that the 2022 U.S. Houzz & Home Study: Renovation Trends found kitchens to be the most popular interior room to upgrade.

With so many people interested in kitchen renovations, the following are four things homeowners should know:

1. Expect to spend some money. Most home improvement projects require a significant financial investment, but kitchen renovations are among the more expensive undertakings.

The overall cost of a project will depend on a

host of variables unique to each home, including homeowners' preferences, but HomeAdvisor estimated the average kitchen remodel in 2023 cost between \$14,611 and \$41,432.

2. Expect a good return on investment. If sticker shock settles in when receiving an initial kitchen remodel estimate, perhaps it can help homeowners to know that such a project may provide a strong return on investment (ROI). According to Remodeling magazine's "2024 Cost vs. Value Report," a minor kitchen remodel provides a 96 percent ROI.

3. Expect the project to take some time. Kitchens are large rooms with a lot of components, so renovating these spaces can take some time. Estimates vary depending on the size of the room, the scale of the remodel and the materials chosen, but Angi reports a kitchen remodel for most homes takes six weeks to four months.

4. Expect to use your kitchen during the renovation. If the timeline of a renovation is scary, homeowners should know they will likely be able to use their kitchen even after the project begins.

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How to protect your vehicle's paint job

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Drivers go to great lengths to ensure what's under the hood of their vehicles is well taken care of. But it's equally beneficial to tend to the exterior of a vehicle, including its paint job.

According to Popular Mechanics, oxidation can adversely affect iron-based metals. That can put vehicles in jeopardy and take significant time off their life expectancy.

The good news is that rust and other issues that can affect a vehicle's paint job and appearance are typically avoidable. That should be music to the ears of new vehicle owners, who likely need no reminder of the sizable financial investment required to drive off the lot with a fresh set of wheels.

Drivers who want their cars and trucks to maintain their looks over the long haul can consider these simple strategies to protect their paint jobs.

Make car washes part of your vehicle maintenance routine. Seasoned drivers are undoubtedly familiar with the conventional wisdom surrounding oil change intervals, but those same motorists may not recognize the importance of routine car washes.

Over time, contaminants such as pollen, dust and pollution can settle on a vehicle's exterior, potentially jeopardizing the paint job. Routine car washes can prevent such damage

and help a car look like it was just driven off the lot.

Wax the exterior of the vehicle. The automotive experts at Carfax report that waxing is a significant and simple way to protect vehicle paint.

Carfax notes that certain paste waxes contain mild abrasives that help remove fine scratches from painted surfaces. Wax also can protect paint jobs from fading related to exposure to ultraviolet rays. That's especially noteworthy for drivers who do not routinely park their cars in a garage.

Use a car cover. Car covers may or may not be practical for cars drivers use every day, but they are an effective way to protect a paint job from the elements.

Drivers who have a spare car they rarely drive or even those who do not drive their primary vehicle a lot each day can purchase a universal-fit car cover or a premium cover designed specifically for their vehicles. Car covers protect paint jobs from ultraviolet rays and the elements and may reduce the need for more frequent trips to the car wash.

Park in the shade, but choose spots wisely. Parking in the shade may protect vehicles from the ultraviolet rays of the sun, but it's important that drivers pick the right shady spot to park their cars and trucks. A



shade tree might seem like a great ally to vehicle owners, but if birds nest or rest in the tree, drivers could be exposing their cars to bird droppings.

That's no small threat, as bird droppings are high in uric acid, which quickly damage a vehicle's exterior.

Parking directly beneath a tree also might expose the paint job to sap or fallen leaves or berries, each of which can adversely vehicle exteriors.

If you plan to park in the shade to protect the paint job, ideally choose a spot that is not directly beneath the

tree.

A well-maintained paint job can improve the appearance and life expectancy of a vehicle, which is something drivers should keep in mind as they hope to get the most out of their automotive investment.

Taking a look at the benefits that comes with a garage renovation

Metro Creative Connections
Homeowners tend to want to maximize all of the space they have in their homes. For some this may involve turning a garage from a utilitarian space into one that serves multiple purposes.

According to The Mortgage Reports, a home-buying and improvement resource, garage renovations can increase the value of a home and add living space. Garage remodels can create additional storage space, provide an area for a home gym or even create room for a home office. Prior to beginning a garage remodel, homeowners may have some common questions about the process.



Both vinyl plank and epoxy flooring options can elevate the design and functionality of the garage.

Can I have the best of both worlds?
Sometimes a garage needs to serve many purposes. Lofting the garage means a homeowner can still park cars or utilize the lower space as a living area, all the while items are stored overhead. Some flip this design scenario and have the loft area as a bedroom or finished living space, while the lower portion remains a traditional garage area. Another thought is to finish only a portion of the garage. This works well for two- or three-car garages where there will be room to park a car and the remainder will serve another purpose.

What are other ways to improve the garage?
Installing more windows or improving on the lighting in the garage can be important. The garage improvement

experts at Danley's say window installation enables people to circulate air in the garage without having to open the garage door. Improving the lighting means the garage can still be enjoyed or utilized after dark. Spread out lighting in the garage, and use a combination of overhead and task lighting just as one would in the home itself.

How do I deter bugs or other pests from entering?
Insects often want to hunker down in garages, and they may find it easy to get inside a garage. Keeping the garage clean and organized is the best way to deter pests and to spot infestations before they become problematic.

Reducing water and humidity in the space, weatherproofing at the base of the garage door and other entry spots and utilizing insect repellents to make the garage less hospitable also can decrease the risk of insect infestation.

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Briefs

Timber harvest at Twin Ponds to be discussed Oct. 23

The Chickasaw County Conservation Board will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 23, at 6:30 p.m. at the Twin Ponds Nature Center in regard to a potential future timber harvest at the Twin Ponds Recreation Area.

The proposed harvest would occur over two-5 acre sections. All interested public are welcome to attend. Conservation staff and a DNR forester will be at the meeting and would be happy to hear any comments or concerns regarding the timber harvest.

Waucoma company donates to Decorah Food Pantry

Lynch Family Foundation, the nonprofit extension of Lynch Family Companies, donated 285 pounds of hams and 240 pounds of ground pork to the Decorah Community Food Pantry on Thursday, Sept. 12.

The Foundation and Lynch Family Companies' employees were excited to make this donation in recognition of National Hunger Action Month, which is a nationwide campaign to bring awareness to hunger across the United States.

National Hunger Action Month was established by Feeding America in 2008.

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CRAIG ALAN BORLAUG, Deceased. Probate No. ESPR003237 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Craig Alan Borlaug, Deceased, who died on or about June 4, 2024:

You are hereby notified that on the 13th day of September, 2024, the undersigned was appointed Administrator of the estate.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the abovenamed district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated September 17, 2024.

Cindy Pfremmer
Administrator of the Estate
16684 US Hwy 52
Harmony, MN 55939

John S. Anderson
ANDERSON, WILMARTH, VAN DER MAATEN, FRETHEIM, EVELSZON OLSON, NOBLE, LYNCH & ZAHASKY
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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 to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter for forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by 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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ORDINANCE NO. 897
An Ordinance Deleting Property from the Tax Increment Financing District for the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area of the City of New Hampton, Iowa, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of New Hampton, Iowa (the "City") previously enacted certain ordinances providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said ordinances, a portion of the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area in the City of New Hampton was designated a "tax increment district"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now

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Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR 19-CHICKASAW COUNTY

STATE OF IOWA 19-CHICKASAW COUNTY
Iowa District Court
Case #: EQCV004531
19-Chickasaw County
Civil #: 24-000363
CUSB BANK
VS
DIANA BUCKNELL DECEASED
ET AL
Special Execution

As a result of the judgment rendered in the above referenced court case, an execution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant (s)

Real Estate
Described Below
To satisfy the judgment. The Property to be sold is

THE NORTH TWO-HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO (N 222) FEET OF THE EAST SIXTEEN (E 16) RODS OF THE SOUTH FORTY-TWO (S 42) RODS OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF SECTION NINETEEN (19), TOWNSHIP NINETY-FOUR (94) NORTH, RANGE FOURTEEN (14) WEST OF THE 5TH P.M.

Property Address: 1020 GREELEY STREET, NASHUA, IA 50658

The described property will be offered for sale at public auction for cash only as follows :

Sale Date Sale, Time, Place of Sale
10/24/2024, 13:00, CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE LOBBY, 116 N CHESTNUT, NEW HAMPTON, IA 50659

This sale not subject to Redemption. Property exemption: Certain money or property may be exempt. Contact your attorney promptly to review specific provisions of the law and file appropriate notice, if acceptable.

Judgment Amount \$16,065.82
Costs \$1,347.72
Accruing Costs PLUS
Interest \$400.90
Sheriff's Fees Pending

Date 9/11/2024
RYAN SHAWVER CHICKASAW COUNTY SHERIFF

Attorney Brad Slotter
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desires to decrease the size of the "tax increment district" by deleting certain property:

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of New Hampton, Iowa: Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to delete certain property from the tax increment financing district for the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area.

Section 2. Definitions. For use within this ordinance the following terms shall have the following meanings: "Deleted Property" shall mean certain real property situated in the City of New Hampton, Chickasaw County, State of Iowa more particularly described as follows:

That part of Parcel K located in Lot 16 of the Irregular survey of Section 6,

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Board Proceedings

The Board of Directors for the New Hampton Community School District met in regular session, Monday, September 16, 2024, in the High School FCS Room. President Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with Directors, Ayers, Denner, A. Schwickerath, N. Schwickerath, Superintendent Jurens and Board Secretary Roethler via zoom. Elementary Principal Steele assisted with the meeting notes.

Director Denner moved to approve the agenda. Director N. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

Director Denner moved to approve the consent agenda. Approve minutes of the August 19, 2024, regular session. Approve the August monthly financial report and the September 2024 bill listing. Approve personal recommendations for the 2024-2025 school year: Bob Vorwald (Assistant Cross Country Coach), Taylor Moser (Assistant 7th Grade Volleyball Coach), Kassie Berick (Individual Speech Coach) Casey Mai (Volunteer Wrestling Coach) and Joan Carpenter (Elementary Preschool Para). All positions are pending suitable licensure and passing appropriate background checks. Approve the resignation of Superintendent Jurens effective June 30, 2025. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

FFA instructor Ms. Bauler presented information regarding the FFA National Convention trip to Indianapolis. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the out-of-state travel for FFA. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the first reading of Board Policies 802.4 Capital Assets Management, increasing our capital assets with a historical cost equal or greater than \$1,000 to \$5,000. Director Denner seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurens presented information regarding the excavation work for the CWC drain and using the joint fund to pay for the work. Director Denner moved to approve the use of the joint fund to pay for the work. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurens presented quotes for new computers that will be used in the Business Lab. These computers will be PC and compatible with the Microsoft suite. Director Denner moved to approve the 24 computers from CDW in the amount of \$18,888 using SAVE

Township 95 North, Range 12 West of the 5th P.M., City of New Hampton, Chickasaw County, Iowa.

Section 3. The Deleted Property is hereby removed from the tax increment financing district for the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area. No division of property tax revenues as provided under Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa shall be done with respect to the Deleted Property without further action by the City Council.

Section 4. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Saving Clause. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect

Funds. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurens presented architectural proposals from Align Architecture and Accord Architecture. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the proposal from Align Architecture for the weight room project. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurens presented information on the Special Ed Deficit. Director N. Schwickerath moved to approve the request for the school budget review committee to authorize additional spending authority for our special education deficit in the amount of \$855,164.00. Director Ayers seconded the motion. Ayers: Denner, Matthews, Ayers, A. Schwickerath and N. Schwickerath. Nays: none.

Next regular board meeting will be Monday, October 21, 2024, at 6:30 pm.

Director Denner moved to adjourn at 7:26pm. Director A. Schwickerath seconded the motion. Ayers: A. Schwickerath, Ayers, N. Schwickerath, Matthews and Denner. Nays: none

September 2024
General Fund (10)

Vendor Name	Amount
AFLAC	90.27
Amazon Capital Services	5,128.77
Apple Computer Inc.	8,820.00
Auto Value Parts Stores	9.98
Bohr, Raquel	85.45
Carolina Biological Supply	1,445.38
Carpenters Training Institute	215.88
CENGAGE Learning	475.20
Chickasaw Wellness Complex	300.00
Circle K Communications	661.01
City Laundering Co.	735.68
City of New Hampton	18,636.20
Continental Clay Company	536.60
Decorah Community School District	
	9,914.41
Demco	1,820.58
Dollar General Charged Sales	17.00
Doors Inc	165.00
Fareway	859.41
Five Star Cooperative	1,828.19
FM Controls, Inc.	3,840.65
Fritcher, Katie	665.00
Gallagher-Bludom Arts Center	115.00
Hanson Tire Service	1,322.00
Hawkeye Fire and Safety Company	
	2,292.60
Herrf Jones, Inc.	16.65
Home Invasion Pest Control	140.00
Interstate All Battery Center	614.60
Iowa HS Music Association	56.00
Jendro Sanitation Services Inc.	1,479.32
John Deere Financial	566.87
John Deere Publishing	153.67
JourneyEd.com,Inc	54.34
Keystone Area Education	750.00
Klunder's Cafe	203.83
Kuennen, Mike	100.00
Kwik Star	354.37

the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective after its final Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved by the City Council of the City of New Hampton, Iowa, on September 16, 2024.

STEVE GEERTS, Mayor
Attest: KAREN CLEMENS, CMC,
City Clerk

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L & R Manufacturing, LLC	963.92
Library Store, The	521.46
LS Supply & Rental	221.93
Lunch Fund	300.70
Madison National Life Insurance	
	2,229.48
Merchant, Tiffany	40.70
Mick Gage Plumbing	3,676.45
Mid-American Research Chemical	
	277.64
Mohawk Electric	195.00
Mosyle Corporation	151.19
Nasco	53.51
New Hampton Electric	1,122.26
New Hampton Tribune	700.70
NHMU Fiber	310.00
Northeast Iowa Community College	
	80.00
O'Donnell, Kelly	100.00
Office World	744.46
Orkin	80.00
Pitney Bowes Inc	240.00
Power Spelling	203.00
Principal Life Insurance Company	
	784.34
Prouty, Zachary	100.00
QuiverVision	61.68
R & R Welding	38.50
Richter, William	100.00
Rieman Music, Inc.	638.73
Riverside Insights	369.60
Sam's Club	0.00
Schmitt, April	26.62
School Specialty, LLC	9,360.09
Schueh Ace Hardware	1,057.12
Schwickerath, Lynette	21.25
Screen Print To Go	252.00
Sherwin-Williams Co.	229.39
Superior Welding Supply	1,589.11
Swisher & Coht, P.L.C.	20.00
thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation	
	181.05
Ventris Learning	376.25
Vern Laues Chev-Buick	3,040.29
VISA	308.19
Vossberg, Nikkole	11.30
Wagoner Bros. Repair	9,934.84
Washington National Ins. Co.	800.10
West Music Company	1,454.98
WEX BANK	444.72
Windstream	1,882.42
Woodburn Press	82.50
Fund Total:	\$109,847.38
Capital Projects(33)	
AEDLAND	1,121.00
Darren Steinlage Construction	6,074.04
Five Star Telecom Inc.	1,827.51
Geerts Plumbing & Heating	5,482.32
New Hampton Electric	6,037.75
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	820.00
Fund Total:	\$21,362.62
Physical Plant & Equipment(36)	
Marco, Inc.	1,789.51
Fund Total:	\$1,789.51
Attest: September 16, 2024	
Jay Matthews Board President	
Christy Roethler Board Secretary	

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CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, September 16, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Denner, Humpal (Via telephone), Larsen, Porath and Speltz. Fisher was absent. Also in attendance were Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson and several NHHS students.

1. Approve meeting agenda
2. Approve City Council Minutes of September 3, 2024.
3. Approve City Claims of \$53,055.77
4. Airport Commission Minutes August 12, 2024
5. Library Board Minutes September 3, 2024
6. Fire Dept Minutes 8-5-24 and 9-9-24
7. Park & Rec Minutes 9-11-24
8. Department Head Minutes 9-4-24
9. Street Closure Request: Little Light of Mine November 29-30th
10. Fireworks Display Application: Little Light of Mine December 7, 2024
11. Finance Reports

FUND, LAST REPORT RECEIVED DISBURSED
GENERAL
\$7,767.53\$205,422.53
ROAD USE TAX
\$37,089.68\$76,034.28
SPECIAL REV/EMPLOYEE BEN
\$1,356.58\$19,940.86
SELF INSURANCE FUND
\$8,299.18\$11,035.80
LOCAL OPTION TAX
\$51,256.59\$0.00
WATER/ MOTEL TAX
\$4,552.91\$7,696.78
WATER/ MOTEL TAX CAP RES
\$1,531.64\$0.00
TIF- INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL
\$14.00\$0.00
HOUSING REHAB. GRANT
\$9,735.66\$2,637.90
SPECIAL REVENUE- GRANTS
\$14.00\$200,000.00
LIBRARY SPECIAL PROJECTS
\$638.25\$0.00
ROADS CAPITAL PROJECTS
\$9,299.67\$10.00
STORMWATER CAPITAL PROJ
\$5,330.18\$5.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS
\$4,979.84\$91,767.14
WATER UTILITY
\$44,489.21\$28,625.70
SEWER UTILITY
\$67,855.80\$103,020.24
SOLID WASTE
\$31,757.94\$32,898.97
INDUSTRIAL PARK DEVEL.
\$0.00\$0.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS-WATER
\$21,150.03\$5.87
CAPITAL PROJECTS-SEWER
\$10,772.95\$5.87
CUSTOMER DEPOSITS
\$2,201.00\$674.00
TOTAL
\$391,092.64\$779,780.94

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Porath; that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Ayers – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Motion carried.

Economic Development director Tammy Robinson explained the several proposed requests to set a date for a Public Hearing on Designation of expanded urban renewal and area Urban renewal amendment. This continues the process to allow BIG Squeeze and NH Transfer & Storage to receive TIF Rebates. Along with this proceeding we have a P & Z meeting for that board's approval of the Urban Renewal Area (URA) change; and conduct a meeting with the NHHS and Chickasaw County to inform them of the URA changes. This specific agenda item removes the NHT&S property from an URA that has expired and adds them to the current URA. Moved by Larsen, seconded by Denner; that RESOLUTION NO. 6671 A RESOLUTION DELETING PROPERTY FROM THE NEW HAMPTON URBAN RENEWAL AREA, be approved. Ayers - Denner, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

Moved by Porath, seconded by Denner; that An Ordinance Deleting Property From The Tax Increment Financing District For The New Hampton Urban Renewal Area For The City of New Hampton, Iowa, and be given its first consideration.

Ayers - Denner, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher. Motion Carried.

Mayor Geerts declared the motion duly carried and declared that the ordinance had been given its initial consideration.

Moved by Porath, seconded by Denner; that An Ordinance Deleting Property From The Tax Increment Financing District For The New Hampton Urban Renewal Area For The City of New Hampton, Iowa, and be given its first consideration.

Ayers - Denner, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays- None. Absent – Fisher. Motion Carried.

Mayor Geerts declared the motion duly carried and declared that the ordinance had been given its initial consideration.

Moved by Council Member Porath and seconded by Council Member Larsen that the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended. The Mayor put the question on the motion and the roll being called, the following named Council Members voted: Ayers- Denner, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher.

Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried and the Ordinance #897 duly adopted.

Moved by Porath, seconded by Denner; that RESOLUTION NO. 6672 A RESOLUTION SETTING DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON DESIGNATION OF THE EXPANDED NEW HAMPTON URBAN RENEWAL AREA AND ON URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AMENDMENT, be approved. Ayers - Denner, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher. Resolution approved.

Humpal left the meeting at 7:13 pm. After the September 3, 2024 City Council meeting where Council approved Resolution #6669 - hiring of Megan Baltes as Assistant Economic Develop-

ment director allowing an employee benefit of 50% of health insurance. Staff was notified that allowing one part time employee to utilize 50% of the health insurance benefits violated employment laws. Tammy Robinson is requesting the Council to rescind Resolution No. 6669 and approve hiring Megan Baltes at \$20.60 per hour, receiving 70% of all city employee benefits while Baltes will work 1400 hours per fiscal year. Moved by Porath, seconded by Larsen; that RESOLUTION NO. 6673 A) RESCIND RESOLUTION NO 6669, B) A RESOLUTION HIRING MEGAN BALTES AS REGULAR PART TIME ASSISTANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, WORKING A MINIMUM OF 1,400 PER FISCAL YEAR; RATE OF PAY OF \$20.60 AND 70% OF THE BENEFITS OFFERED TO FULL TIME EMPLOYEES, be approved. Ayers – Denner, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher, Humpal. Resolution approved.

The request of the resident at 106 LE Stein Lane to delay the installation of the sidewalk was tabled pending further discussions regarding sidewalk installations. City Attorney Prichard was concerned that the request to delay sidewalk installation was counter to the intent of the current city code which requires sidewalk to be installed at the time of construction. Moved by Porath, seconded by Speltz; To table the request of Scott Jenks, resident at 106 LE Stein Lane, to delay sidewalk installation. Ayers – Four. Nays – None. Absent -Fisher, Humpal. Motion carried.

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz; that RESOLUTION NO. 6674 A RESOLUTION APPROVING DEPOSITORIES, be approved. Ayers - Denner, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays – None. Absent - Fisher, Humpal. Resolution approved.

DEPOSITORY NAME, HOME OFFICE IN EFFECT
First Citizens Bank, Mason City, Iowa\$7,000,000
Fidelity Bank and 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\$7,000,000

As a result of Nick Henningsen's resignation as Water Superintendent, PWD Mai is requesting to increase the hourly rate for current employee Dennis Martin to \$28.22 from \$24.69, effective September 16, 2024. Marvin has the Grade 2 Water Certification which is required by the DNR. Moved by Larsen, seconded by Porath; that RESOLUTION NO. 6675 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAY INCREASE FOR CURRENT EMPLOYEE DENNIS MARVIN TO \$28.22, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 16, 2024, be approved. Ayers – Denner, Larsen, Porath, Speltz. Nays – None. Absent - Fisher, Humpal. Resolution approved.

Public works Director Casey Mai received one bid for the SnoGo snow blower; Grove's Contracting from Forest City, Iowa submitted a bid of \$8,150.00 for the used snow blower. Moved by Porath, seconded by Denner; to accept the bid of Grove's Contracting in the amount of \$8,150.00 for the used MP3DSnoGo snow blower, be approved. Ayers – Four. Nays – None. Absent - Fisher, Humpal. Motion carried.

Moved by Denner, seconded by Larsen; that the meeting adjourn at 7:36

PM. Ayers – Four. Nays – None. Absent – Fisher, Humpal. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, City Clerk
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Iowa Department of Revenue, Sales Tax (Water Sewer) 4,366.21
Verizon Wireless, Data Charges (Police) 160.04
USPS, Postage for Utility Bills (WA SR) 201.58
New Hampton, City of, Utility Bill (Clerk WA SR ST PD Fire Carnegie) 15,585.04
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BMC Aggregates, Roadstone (Street) 1,321.59
Chickasaw Co Auditor, Share of Hotel/ Motel Tax Revenue 1,517.64
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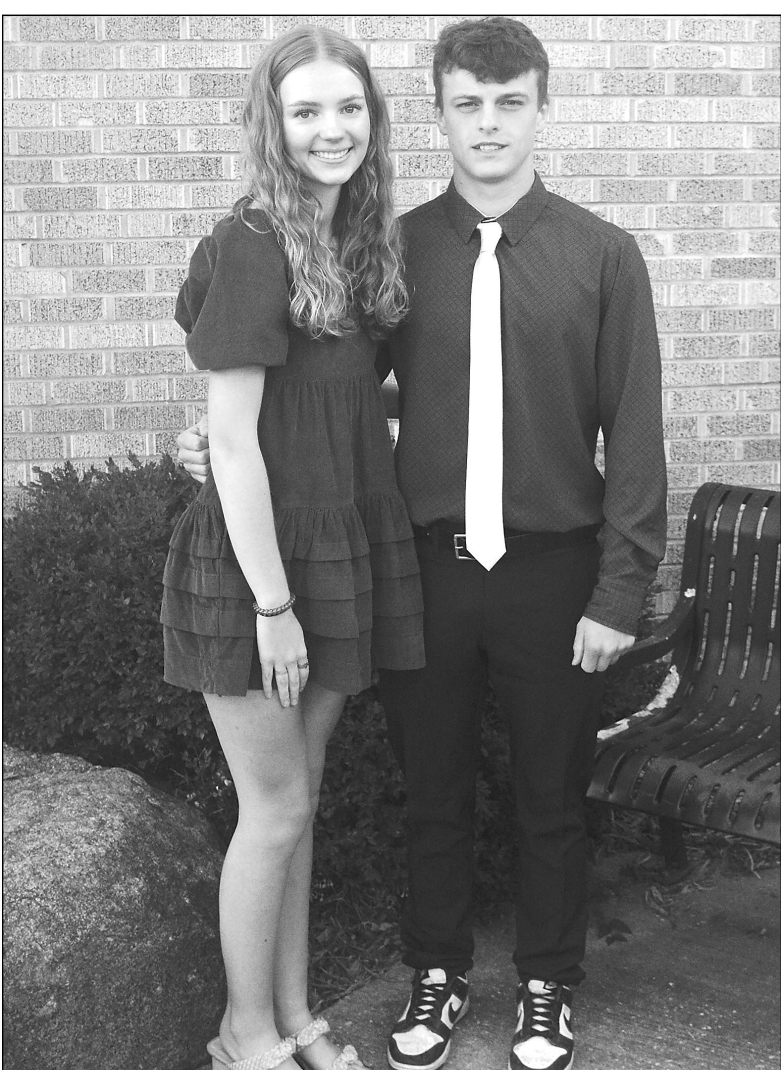
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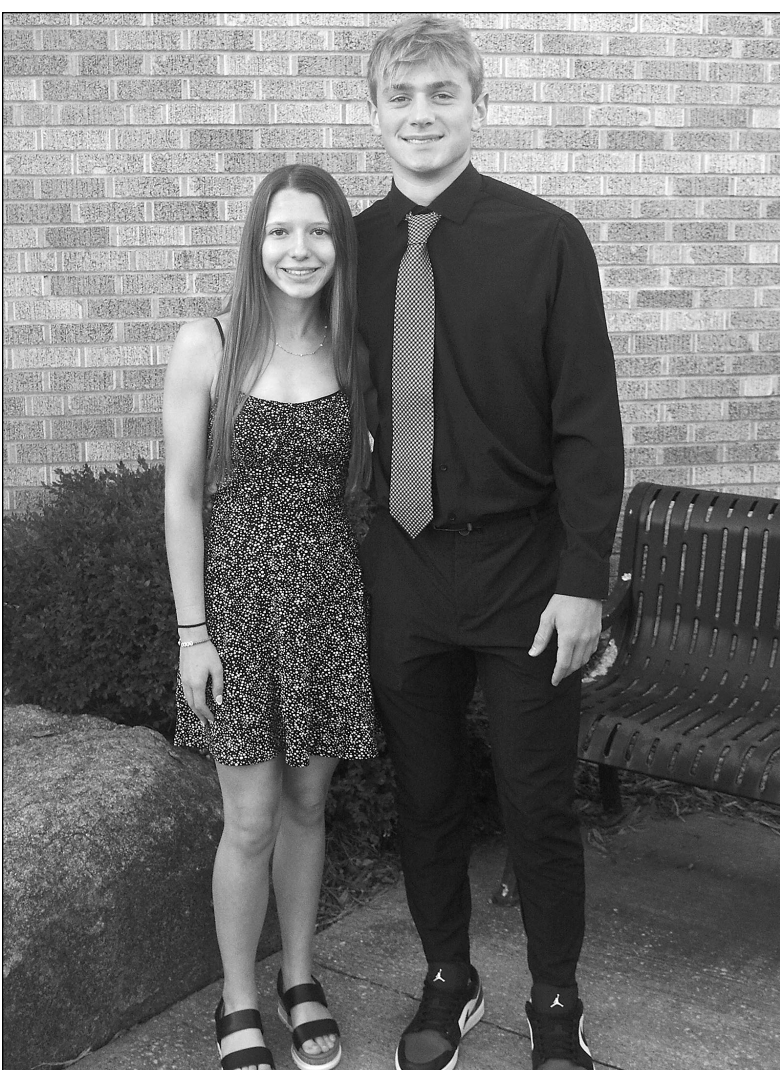
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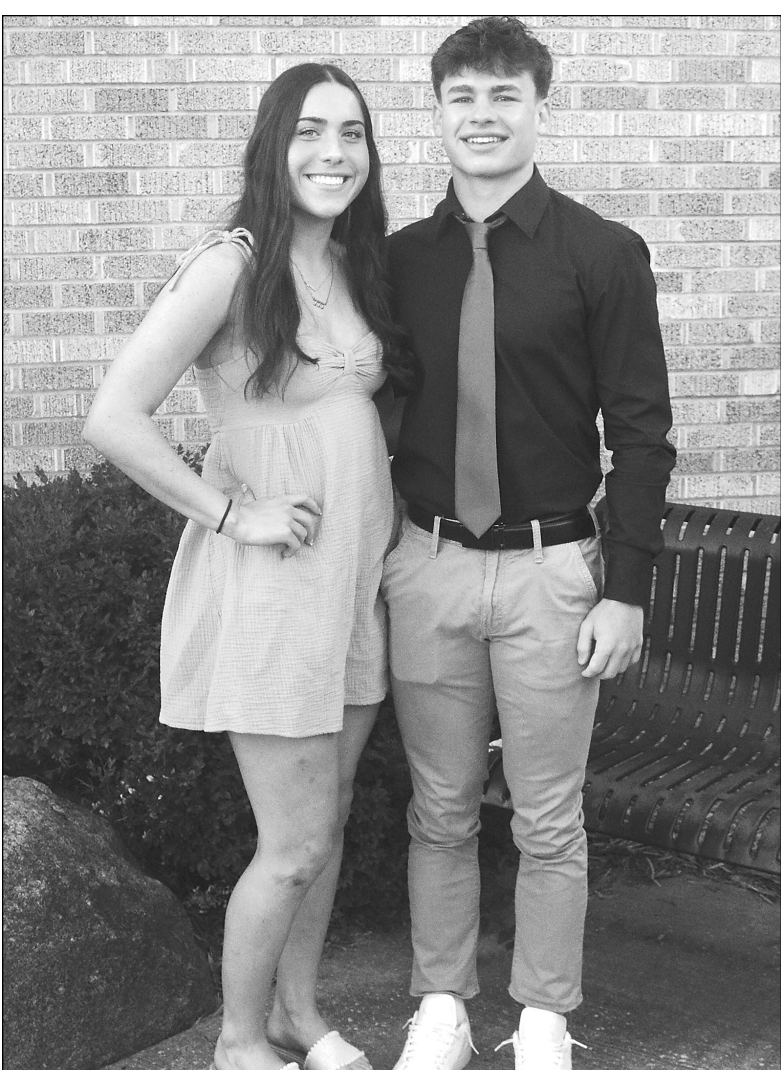
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Turkey Valley sweeps Clayton Ridge in UIC tussle

Trojan volleyball team competes at Waukon Invitational over weekend; loses to NFV in road league matchup

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The Turkey Valley volleyball team swept Clayton Ridge at home last week Tuesday by scores of 25-21, 25-23 and 25-13.

That earned the Trojans their second win of the season in the conference. TV dropped its first league tilt later that week on Thursday at North Fayette Valley – 25-23, 25-23 and 25-18.

The Trojans co-head coach Tammy Vrzak – along with Ashley Walz – was happy about how the Trojans played in the win over CR.

“The games were close, but the girls kept their composure and won in three,” said Vrzak.

Vrzak also thought her team came to play against NFV, but just came up short in the opening games.

“The score doesn’t necessar-

ily show it, but the girls played well. They are resilient to the changes we are making within the team, which shows,” said Vrzak.

TV (6-10, 2-1) competed in the Waukon Invite this past Saturday and topped MFL MarMac for the second time this year this fall by a score of 21-6 and 21-16. The host Indians defeated TV, 21-17 and 21-16. Crestwood turned back the Trojans, 21-12 and 21-15 and Riceville pulled away from TV for a sweep, 21-15 and 21-19.

“The girls went 50/50 for the day. Their serving was fantastic, with Alexis Elsbernd’s many aces. Morgan Vsetecka was a very versatile player for us, having to go from libero to a regular player during a game and the last game,” Vrzak added.

TV senior middle Kinsey Reicks led the team in kills (8) against NFV. Layni



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley’s Karstyn Lukes goes up for a block attempt at the New Hampton Invite earlier this year.

Schuchhardt, a senior, posted 13 kills against CR and senior Alexis Elsbernd came up with

26 digs versus the Eagles. Vsetecka, a senior, was the top digs leader against NFV with

Trojans limit Central Elkader to under 80 yards rushing

TV FOOTBALL : FROM 17

evident by his 82 yards receiving and two interceptions against the Warriors. He also led the Trojans with 11.5 tackles (10 solo) – two of them for loss.

Kruse is listed as the fourth-best receiver in terms of yardage through the air in 8-Man with 399 yards on the season. He has caught 15 passes for a remarkable yards-per-catch average of 26.6. He’s scored seven touchdowns in the passing game and leads TV in tackles with 35. His three picks on the year are also tops on the team.

Turkey Valley sports a lot more explosiveness on offense than just Kruse, though.

TV junior signal caller Logan Busta scampered for a 37-yard rushing touchdown in the second quarter. He also hooked up with Kruse for a 21-yard pass to start the second-quarter scoring for the Trojans.

Busta finished with 68 yards rushing and 70 yards passing.

But it was another Busta – sophomore Hugo Busta – that had another superb game. Busta cranked out 109 yards rushing on just nine carries. He scored TV’s last touchdown on a 40-yard rush and also threw a 20-yard scoring strike to Kruse in the second quarter.

Schmidt and Franzen combined to rush for 147 yards and score four touchdowns. Schmidt’s rushing scores came in the first and third quarters. Franzen scored the game’s first touchdown on the ground and found the end zone from eight yards out on a pass from Logan Busta to finish off the first-half fireworks for TV.

Central did throw for 160 yards courtesy of Griffen Hammersland – who is just an eighth-grader. Hammersland punched it in the end zone two times on the ground and was 9-19 passing, but as stated before, Kruse picked him off twice.

“Defensively we gave up some yards passing and made a couple of assignment errors, but that is expected when you are a young team,” Scott said.

TV heads out of its district this Friday when it takes on



Leah Kruse

Turkey Valley sophomore running back Treyton Franzen (above) heads for the end zone versus Central on Friday night and Tucker Reicks (below) hauls in a catch.

Clarksville (2-2) on the road. The Trojans’ homecoming game is the following week against Waterloo Christian (2-2, 1-1).

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FIRST QUARTER

TV - Treyton Franzen 1 run (run failed)
TV - Kaden Schmidt 10 run (Hugo Busta pass from Logan Busta)
CE - Griffen Hammersland 2 run (Hammersland run)

SECOND QUARTER

TV - J.D. Kruse 21 pass from L. Busta (Schmidt pass from L. Busta)
CE - Braxton Bormann 6 run (run failed)
TV - L. Busta 37 run (Tucker Reicks pass from L. Busta)
TV - Kruse 20 pass from H. Busta (2 pt. play failed)
TV - Franzen 8 pass from L. Busta (Schmidt run)

THIRD QUARTER

TV - Schmidt 3 run (Reicks pass from L. Busta)
CE - Hammersland 20 run (Hammersland run)
TV - H. Busta 40 run (pass failed)

TEAM STATS

	TV	CE
Rushes-yards	56-375	25-76
Passing yards	90	160
Total yards	465	236
Att-Comp-Int	9-7-0	19-9-2

TURKEY VALLEY STATS

Rushing - Kaden Schmidt 15-99, Treyton Franzen 12-48, Hugo Busta 9-109, Parker Reicks 9-42, Logan Busta 7-68, Caleb Kriener 4-9.
Passing - L. Busta 6-8-70, H. Busta 1-1-20.

24. The Trojans’ Addison Steinlage, a junior for the Trojans, amassed 46 assists in the two league contests.

TURKEY VALLEY 3, CLAYTON RIDGE 0
CR 21 23 13
TV 25 25 25

Kills - Layni Schuchhardt 13, Annika Bodensteiner 9, Kinsey Reicks 4, Karstyn Lukes 4, Addison Steinlage 3, Delaney Busta 2, Ella Ives 2.

Assists - Steinlage 26, Morgan Vsetecka 3, Alexis Elsbernd 2, Lukes 1.

Digs - Elsbernd 26, Vsetecka 16, Steinlage 11, Schuchhardt 10, Lukes 8, Bodensteiner 3, Reicks 1, Busta 1.

Blocks - Lukes 3, Steinlage 2, Busta 2, Reicks 1, Bodensteiner 1, Ives 1.

Serving - Reicks 10-10, Steinlage 12-12, Schuchhardt 9-12, Elsbernd 20-21, Lukes 8-9, Vsetecka 11-12.

Aces - Schuchhardt 1, Elsbernd 1, Lukes 1, Vsetecka 1.

NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 3, TURKEY VALLEY 0

TV 23 23 18
NFV 25 25 25

Kills - Reicks 8, Schuchhardt 6, Eves 5, Busta 4, Bodensteiner 4, Steinlage 2, Lukes 1.

Assists - Steinlage 20, Reicks 1, Elsbernd 1, Vsetecka 1, Bodensteiner 1.

Digs - Vsetecka 24, Steinlage 14, Lukes 10, Elsbernd 9, Jenna Thronsdon 8, Reicks 7, Schuchhardt

1. Blocks - Ives 2, Bodensteiner 2, Busta 2, Reicks 1.

Serving - Reicks 13-14, Steinlage 13-13, Schuchhardt 11-13, Elsbernd 11-11, Lukes 2-4, Vsetecka 9-9.

Aces - Reicks 3, Schuchhardt 3, Steinlage 1, Vsetecka 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 2, MFL MARMAC 0

MFL 6 16
TV 21 21

Kills - Schuchhardt 7, Busta 4, Ives 4, Reicks 3.

Assists - Steinlage 12, Vsetecka 3, Schuchhardt 1.

Digs - Vsetecka 13, Steinlage 9, Schuchhardt 4, Elsbernd 2, Reicks 1, Bodensteiner 1, Ives 1.

Blocks - Busta 2, Ives 1, Schuchhardt 1.

Serving - Reicks 6-6, Steinlage 16-16, Schuchhardt 5-6, Elsbernd 4-4, Lukes 0-1, Vsetecka 7-8.

Aces - Reicks 3, Elsbernd 1, Vsetecka 1.

WAUKON 2, TURKEY VALLEY 0

TV 17 16
WAU 21 21

Kills - Busta 5, Bodensteiner 3, Schuchhardt 2, Steinlage 1, Reicks 1.

Assists - Steinlage 8, Vsetecka 1. Digs - Vsetecka 8, Lukes 6, Steinlage 5, Reicks 4, Schuchhardt 3, Busta 3, Thronsdon 1, Elsbernd 1, Bodensteiner 1.

Blocks - Reicks 2, Ives 2, Busta 1. Serving - Reicks 4-4, Steinlage 5-5, Schuchhardt 9-11, Elsbernd 5-5, Lukes 5-6, Vsetecka 3-3.

Aces - Lukes 2, Schuchhardt 1.

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JV race, which put him in the 94th slot.

Bakula said the Trojans always have one “fun day” during the year, which came last week Wednesday the day before the race at Starmont. The TV runners – including the middle-schoolers – competed in ultimate football out on the Trojans’ gridiron just down from the school’s building.

“It’s still running related. They still get a good cardio workout because they have to keep running,” said Bakula.

The Trojans can also look forward to Bakula’s culinary skills as the team gets to take part in a breakfast at her house during homecoming week, which is slated for next week at TV.

“It kind of breaks up the season a little bit,” said Bakula.

The rest of the regular season looks like this for TV.

The Trojans run at the



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley girls cross country runners stretch before a race this season.

Cresco Invite on Saturday, Oct. 5, then South Winneshiek hosts its home invite that following Tuesday, Oct. 8. Central Elkader is the host school for the Upper

Iowa Conference meet on Thursday, Oct. 17. The state qualifier in Class 1A for Turkey Valley – at a site yet to be determined – is slated to go down

on Thursday, Oct. 24. The state meet at Fort Dodge in Class 1A will take place on Saturday, Nov. 2 at Lakeside Municipal Golf Course at Kennedy Park.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton linebackers Emmett Kuehner and Bryar Usher bring down Osage’s Brock Trees after a short run in the first half of Friday night’s game.

Chickasaws show positive signs, especially in first half

NH FOOTBALL: FROM 18

of that one.”

Five plays later, New Hampton quarterback Reid Rausch hit Adam Ewert for a 25-yard touchdown pass, one that Ewert and Osage defensive back Sage Christensen seemed to have dual possession on for a good 10 yards before the New Hampton senior wrestled control of the ball away from the Green Devil defensive back for the score.

Although Osage responded with a touchdown of its own midway through the second quarter thanks to a short field caused by a bad snap on a New Hampton punt, the Chickasaws went into the halftime break all knotted up at six.

“We played a really solid half,” Pemble said, “and I think we played with a little more swagger, a little more energy. That was good to see; obviously, we know we have to do it for all four quarters but we are on the right track.”

The second half, though, was a nightmare. Osage scored on its first two possessions of the third quarter while New Hampton’s offense was able to muster just one first down — which came on a beautiful deep pass from Rausch to Ewert — in the first 22 minutes of the second half.

The key was the Osage running game, which was held largely in check in the first half, came alive. After gaining 97 yards on 25 carries in the opening 24 minutes, the Green Devils ran for 171 yards on 19 carries in the second half.

Still, Pemble saw positive signs. New Hampton had 10 tackles for losses in the game, by far the most the Chickasaws have had in a game in 2024.

“That’s a big step up, one that shows I think the progress our defense is making,” Pemble said. “I know we gave up some chunks, but especially in the first half, we were really aggressive and got after the ball.”

Kuehner had 9.5 tackles, including 2.5 for losses, while fellow linebacker Bryar Usher had nine tackles, including four for loss. Sophomore defensive lineman Jackson Kellogg continued his strong season with

Class 2A, District 3 Football

	Dist.	All
North Fayette V	1-0	3-1
Crestwood	1-0	1-3
Osage	1-0	1-3
Waukon	0-1	1-3
New Hampton	0-1	0-4
Oelwein	0-1	0-4

LAST FRIDAY RESULTS

Osage 34, New Hampton 6
Crestwood 1, Oelwein 0 (forfeit)
North Fayette Valley 31, Waukon 14

THIS FRIDAY GAMES

Oelwein at New Hampton
Osage at North Fayette Valley
Waukon at Crestwood

eight tackles.

“Those three guys all are relentless kids and they played some really good football,” Pemble said. “They don’t give up on too many plays I can tell you that much.”

New Hampton’s offense was led by Rausch, who completed 13 of 21 passes for 100 yards, but the Chickasaws’ running game couldn’t find traction until late in the game. Osage held the Chickasaws’ leading rusher, Beau Serie, to just 48 hard-fought yards on 18 carries. The senior came into the game with 373 rushing yards on 66 carries.

“We didn’t block very well, let’s just leave it at that,” Pemble said. “We’ll get back to work this week and find a way to improve.”

The big question, at least going into the week, was the state of New Hampton’s Friday homecoming game against Oelwein. The Huskies for a second straight week forfeited their varsity game because of limited numbers due to injuries suffered in a game against Jesup on Sept. 6.

“We obviously want to play and hopefully we get the chance,” Pemble said. “Our focus, though, is going to be the same — get ready to play a game and get better.”

The good news, though, is it appears Oelwein’s varsity has healed up enough to play Friday, a fact that New Hampton Activities Director



Osage quarterback Tate Tabbert gets off a pass despite pressure provided by New Hampton’s Logan Thiele.

Cory McDonald confirmed on 4:20.

TEAM STATS

	NH	O
First downs	8	11
Rushes-yards	29-72	44-268
Passing yards	100	119
Total net yards	172	387
Att-Comp-Int	21-13-0	9-7-0

NEW HAMPTON STATS

Rushing - Kale Venem 8-55, Beau Serie 18-42, Reid Rausch 3-2.
Passing - Reid Rausch 13-21-0 - 100.
Receiving - Tate Schwickerath 7-26, Adam Ewert 4-77, Jay Pickar 2-(-3).
Tackles - Emmett Kuehner 9.5, Bryar Usher 9, Jackson Kellogg 8, Serie 6, Schwickerath 4, Logan Thiele 3.5, Roy Barron 3, Jay Pickar 2.5, Bryce Flugum 2.5, Tristin Willadsen 2.5, Kysoun Kielman 2.5, Dylan Maloy 1.5, Cade Carpenter 1.5, Cargin Robinson 1, Issac Vidales 0.5, Ryan Willadsen 0.5.
Tackles for loss - Usher 4, Kuehner 2.5, Barron 1.5, Kellogg 1, Kielman 0.5, Flugum 0.5.
Sacks - Barron 1.5, Kuehner 1.5, Usher 1, Kielman 0.5.
Fumble recoveries - Usher 1-0, Kuehner 1-0, Rausch 1-0.
Kickoffs - Pickar 2-50.0.
Punts - Venem 6-37.2.
Kickoff returns - Ewert 3-19.0, Serie 2-15.5.

OSAGE 34, NEW HAMPTON 6

NH	6	0	0	0	-	6
Osage	0	6	13	15	-	34

FIRST QUARTER

NH - Adam Ewert 25 pass from Reid Rausch (kick failed), 4:05.
SECOND QUARTER

O - Brock Trees 5 run (run failed), 8:32.

THIRD QUARTER

O - Madden Uhlenhopp 28 pass from Tate Tabbert (run failed), 8:07.
O - Gavin Muller 34 run (Isaac Houdek kick), 3:21.

FOURTH QUARTER

O - Uhlenhopp 47 pass from Tabbert (Tabbert run), 8:48.
O - Trees 26 run (Houdek kick),

New Hampton cross country boys have ‘bond’

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might not have a concrete answer, but the T-shirts are sure cool according to Ohrt, in her 13th season as head coach at NH.

“I do shout outs every week. Whenever they get a shout out, they get a shirt,” said Ohrt. “I want to make sure I give them credit, where credit is due.”

Who got bestowed with a Flash Gordon shirt last week after the Chickasaws ran at the Osage Invite on Tuesday?

That would be ninth-place girls finisher Sophie Glaser (22:25) and Calyb Zeien (19:37), who registered a 20th-place jaunt around the 5K meet held at the Mitchell County Nature Center on the outskirts of Osage.

Times weren’t what they were for New Hampton when they ran the week before on Sept. 10 at Waverly and then finished the week at the All-American race in Decorah on Saturday.

But one big factor came into play that had a lot to do with the times that were pretty much slower across the board for most of the contestants that braved the 3.1 mile course.

“The kids were really down about their times. They were just upset. I told

them, look at Scarlett’s time. She won that in 20:04. That is a terrible time for her. You need to put things in perspective. There are a lot of different factors and it was hot. The ground at Osage is unbearably hard,” said Ohrt.

That Scarlett is Osage junior Scarlett Byrnes, who won the girls race with that aforementioned time.

Glaser, a sophomore, earned a top-10 finish and is still trying to track down her career PR of 20:22 this fall. The state qualifier from a year ago is determined to get there.

“Her focus is second to none. She’s a runner every coach wants,” said Ohrt.

Zeien is doing the same and hopes to push himself to a sub-19 finish.

“He is hunting down that career PR,” said Ohrt.

Perhaps the brightest note last Tuesday at Osage was the run of sophomore Connor Stumme, who was New Hampton’s top runner for most of the last season, but has battled injuries thus far this season.

He didn’t disappoint on Tuesday after crossing the tape in 20:37. That was good for 32nd place. To give you an idea of what that time was like for Stumme, he ran a 23:24 at Luther College in Decorah last Saturday.

“He came to compete and it was

really, really cool to see. He’s been struggling. Last week at Luther it was breathing issues. He’s had hip issues. To finally see someone who’s struggling, just come across the finish line with a smile across their face — that’s what you want,” said Ohrt.

Ohrt said Stumme didn’t hold back, rolled the dice to a certain degree and threw caution to the wind by testing his limits at Osage.

“I remember having a conversation the day before — stop selling yourself short. This is the time in the season to take those chances, go out a little faster,” said Ohrt. “Rely on your second wind and this is the time where you experiment.”

The Chickasaw girls squad placed third (96), just a point behind Central Springs. The NH boys wound up sixth with 163 points.

The New Hampton girls, ranked 19th in Class 2A, saw the freshmen duo of Adrianna Kinley (23:59) and Addison Neville (24:14) finish 24th and 26th overall, respectively.

Tegan Dungey, a junior, worked the course to a tune of 23:28 and placed 22nd overall.

NH senior Xander Meyerhoff placed 33rd in 20:43 and junior Easton Monteith (21:15) was 38th.

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

Turkey Valley 9/JV/V volleyball at Kee High, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY

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.

SATURDAY

New Hampton 9th volleyball at Mason City tournament, 9 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton 9th volleyball at Charles City, 5 p.m.
New Hampton JV football at Oelwein, 6 p.m.
New Hampton JV volleyball quad, 6 p.m.
Turkey Valley JV football vs. West Central, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY

New Hampton cross country at Jesup, 4:15 p.m.
Turkey Valley 9/JV/V volleyball vs. South Winneshiek, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCT. 4

New Hampton football at North Fayette Valley, 9th at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Turkey Valley football vs. Waterloo Christian (Homecoming) 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 5

New Hampton varsity volleyball at Waverly-Shell Rock tournament, 9 a.m.
Turkey Valley varsity volleyball at Oelwein tournament, 9 a.m.
New Hampton and Turkey Valley cross country at Cresco Country Club, 9:30 a.m.



Sports Briefs

After impressive streak ends, Wartburg picks up big gridiron win

The Wartburg football team that is coached by former New Hampton standout Chris Winter bounced back from its first regular season loss since 2021 in a big way Saturday when the Knights beat Central 10-6 on the road in the American Rivers Conference opener for both teams.

Coach Chris Winter, a 2000 graduate of New Hampton High School, and the Knights saw their 22-game regular season winning streak — one that dated back to November 2021 — come to an end with a 35-13 road loss at Minnesota power St. John’s.

That set up an almost must-win situation for Wartburg, and the Knights jumped out to a 10-0 lead and then rode a suffocating defense to a victory in a matchup of the two ARC favorites.

Wartburg limited Central to just 27 rushing yards on 22 rushes and held the Dutch, who came into the game averaging 467.5 yards of offense a game, to 256 total yards.

The Knights, who are ranked 16th in the nation, will play their first home game this Saturday when they take on Nebraska Wesleyan in Waverly. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.

Shooting for a cure set for Oct. 5 at Fredericksburg Sportsman’s Club

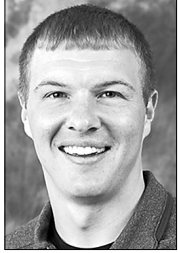
A benefit shoot at the Fredericksburg Sportsman’s Club will take place on Saturday, Oct. 5 at 10 a.m. to kick off Cancer Awareness Week at the New Hampton High School.

Contestants at the event — which is located at 2410 Odessa Ave., New Hampton just south of Boyd — are charged a \$35 entry fee, which does not include ammunition. There will be 50 rounds fired and prizes will be awarded for the top three shooters.

“Ribbons In Honor” may be purchased at Schueth Ace Hardware or Office World in New Hampton, to be displayed in honor of a loved one impacted by cancer.

Also at the event will be a bake sale, raffle and a free-will donation meal.

Proceeds from the event will be used by MercyOne New Hampton Middle School and Beyond Pink TEAM in the fight against cancer.



Winter

COFFEE CUP BOWLING

STANDINGS	W	L	High individual series:
Vern Laures Auto	5.5	2.5	Nehl 567, Linda Lechtenberg
Geerts Plumbing	5	3	542, Rita Geerts 508.
Rochford Insurance	4.5	3.5	High team games:
Hugeback-Johnson	4	4	Laures Auto 460, Huge-
Mid-Tech Services	3	5	back-Johnson 447, Rochford
Dak’s Tap	2	6	Insurance 441.

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

LEADERS

High individual games:
Diane Nehl 212, Linda Lechtenberg 191, 191.

High team series: Vern Laures Auto 1,290, Geerts Plumbing 1,284, Rochford Insurance 1,278.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

LuAnn Lechtenberg 48.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)

Linda Lechtenberg 80

Karen Schmitt, Secretary



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton’s Connor Stumme sprints to the finish line at a meet held in Waverly earlier this month.

Ohrt talked about her squad’s cohesive bond that helps them run faster.

“The really cool thing about the boys is they have a bond. They’re all in,” said Ohrt. “They’re goofy, they’re silly, but they also support each other because they’re all friends. It’s really neat to see at meets.”

OSAGE INVITE GIRLS TEAM SCORES

Crestwood 50, Osage 73, Central Springs 95, New Hampton 96, St. Ansgar 117, Mason City Newman 137, Nashua-Plainfield 148, Forest City 214.

Individual winner (86 runners) - Scarlett Byrnes, Osage 20:04.5.

New Hampton results - 9. Sophie Glaser 22:25.3, 22. Tegan Dungey 23:28.7, 24. Adrianna Kinley 23:59.1, 26. Addison Neville 24:14, 29. Lauren Nuss 24:21.5, 33. Harper

Humpal 24:57.5, 34. Juanita Cardona 24:59.6, 45. Ella Knutson 25:53, 52. Zoey Dreckman 26:31.2, 57. Natalie Nosbisch 26:51.4, 72. Josi Singewald 29:08, 73. Zoey Kellogg 29:08.1, 77. Rebecca Wickman 30:19.8, 82. Karley Wickman 32:39.6.

OSAGE INVITE BOYS TEAM SCORES

Lake Mills 30, Mason City Newman 70, North Butler 71, Crestwood 133, Central Springs 136, New Hampton 163, Forest City 165, Nashua-Plainfield 176, Osage 199, Riceville 250.

Individual winner (99 runners) - Kade Van Roekel, Lake Mills 17:14.6.

New Hampton results - 20. Calyb Zeien 19:37.9, 32. Connor Stumme 20:37.4, 33. Xander Meyerhoff 20:43.1, 38. Easton Monteith 21:15.4, 46. Colin Shatek 21:59.2, 72. Kamdyn Trower 23:49.1, 89. Eduardo Barrios 25:28.7.



Leah Kruse

Turkey Valley quarterback Logan Busta (above) follows the block of Hunter Kruse for a big gain while the Trojans' Mitchell Kriener (below) puts pressure on the quarterback in last Friday's game in Elkader.

Trojans overpower Warriors

Turkey Valley runs for 375 yards on its way to 58-22 district win over Central Elkader



By KELLY TERPSTRA
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Everyone got in on the fun in Turkey Valley's rout over Central Elkader on Friday night – except if you're a Warrior.

The Dittmer Sports Complex in Elkader saw a lot of points scored in Week Four of this particular high school football clash. The problem for the host Warriors was that the majority of those touchdowns scored came from the opponent – Mark Scott's Trojans.

Turkey Valley (2-2, 2-1) encountered little resistance in its third 8-Man, District 3 contest of the fall as it pummeled Central, 58-22.

TV ran for 375 yards and bounced into the end zone eight times. The Trojans led 44-14 at the break and proceeded to limit Central (1-3, 0-2) to just 76 yards on the ground – although all of the Warriors' points came via their rushing attack.

"This was a good district win for the team. Offensively we moved the ball very well," said Scott.

Treyton Franzen and Kaden Schmidt – both Trojan sophomores – each plunged into the

Eight-Man, District 3 Football

	Dist.	All
Don Bosco	3-0	4-0
Kee High	2-1	3-1
Turkey Valley	2-1	2-2
Riceville	1-1	3-1
Waterloo Christian	1-1	2-2
Central Elkader	0-2	1-3
West Central	0-3	0-4

LAST FRIDAY RESULTS	
Turkey Valley 58, Central Elkader 22	
Don Bosco 49, Kee High 12	
Riceville 67, West Central 7	
Waterloo Christian 36, GMG 14	
THIS FRIDAY GAMES	
Turkey Valley at Clarksville	
Central Elkader at Waterloo Christian	
Kee High at Riceville	
West Central at Don Bosco	

end zone on rushing scores in the first quarter.

Then TV busted out for four scores in the second quarter – two by Trojan standout J.D. Kruse.

Kruse, a junior, is one of 8-Man's most dangerous weapons on both sides of the ball as

SEE TV FOOTBALL, 15

TV looks to finish strong

XC season heads into most important stretch

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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The Turkey Valley Trojans are getting close to that time of the year that most cross country coaches call their "championship season."

For Sarah Bakula and her Trojan harriers, that means more than half of her squad's meets are complete after Tuesday's run at Waukon.

"We're training through the meets eventually with the goal to increase aerobic fitness," said Bakula. "We're looking toward the end of October where districts and hopefully state are where we're going to peak and where we're going to drop the mileage and focus on our best times of the year."

TV ran at Starmont last week Tuesday and the temperature at the start of the girls race was unseasonably warm.

That mid-80-degree mercury isn't always the best weather to run in and the Trojans' time reflected those less-than-ideal conditions.

"Biologically, our bodies can handle only so much heat," said Bakula. "So your body is going to slow down and it's going to get fatigued faster in general. I wouldn't say that's for everybody. Some people can certainly run really great in the heat. It's just not ideal."

Bella Stika, a sophomore,

clipped out on the 5K course at Starmont to a tune of 23:02.37, which placed her in the 34th position.

Stika's sophomore teammate – Hazel Nieman – finished her race in a time of 23:37.86. Nieman is looking to improve on that 53rd placing the rest of the way in 2024. She's eyeing a career PR that is well over a minute faster than that.

"She's a lot stronger than she was last year. She didn't even think she was going to run that fast last year," said Bakula about Nieman's PR. "I think it's fully possible this year. Her and Bella have been doing a lot of workouts together."

Nieman is only only about 15 seconds off of her career PR (22:29), which was set at the conference meet last year. Her PR this fall of 22:44 was accomplished at the All-American meet at Luther College in Decorah the week prior to this Starmont run.

"They are improving, whether that's just in mindset – at least going out and giving an effort, because your best effort is not always going to be a PR," said Bakula.

TV freshman Madalyn Vsetecka earned a top-10 finish in the JV girls race with a time of 25:36.22 (eighth place). Trojan sophomore Avery Franzen ran 25:28 in the boys

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Turkey Valley freshman Madalyn Vsetecka pulls ahead of a Lake Mills runner at Charles City earlier this year.

Seniors get spotlight in Senior Night's first game

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mode as to what its future conference affiliation may look like.

Before the conference is put to rest and forever enshrined in the annals of history books – there's still league crowns left to be won in one last go-round for the proud league that sports countless state titles achieved.

The five-team league title is up for grabs and that's something the two-time defending champ Chickasaws still want to reel in this fall – even if their 11-match regular season NEIC win streak was snapped earlier this month by Charles City.

"Do we want to win it? Yes – especially in a year like this year, absolutely," said Geerts, in her 19th season at the helm of her Chickasaws. "You want to see some success in that."

The 14-4 Comets are 2-0 in the league and have two more NEIC matches to play before the conference tournament is going to be played all in one day over in Cresco on Saturday, October 19. The league has not crowned a shared champion since 2013 when Charles City and W-SR were christened co-champs.

"I hope it's a shared thing. We should have beat Charles City. We know we can beat them," said Geerts. "Hopefully somebody can get them and we can finish out with wins and go from there. Maybe two people will beat them, you never know."

NH defeated Charles City in two sets at the Comets' triangular last month – 25-23 and 25-21.

While New Hampton wasn't able to exact revenge on the Go-Hawks the second time around on Thursday – W-SR defeated NH 21-15, 20-22, and 15-10 at the Osage Invite a few weeks back – the Chickasaws did play well during stretches, but not good enough to pull out



the "W."

"We were really hoping to get the win against W-SR. Having played them at Osage pretty close, the first match of the day, we knew we could beat them. Unfortunately, this didn't happen. We just had a rough night," said Geerts.

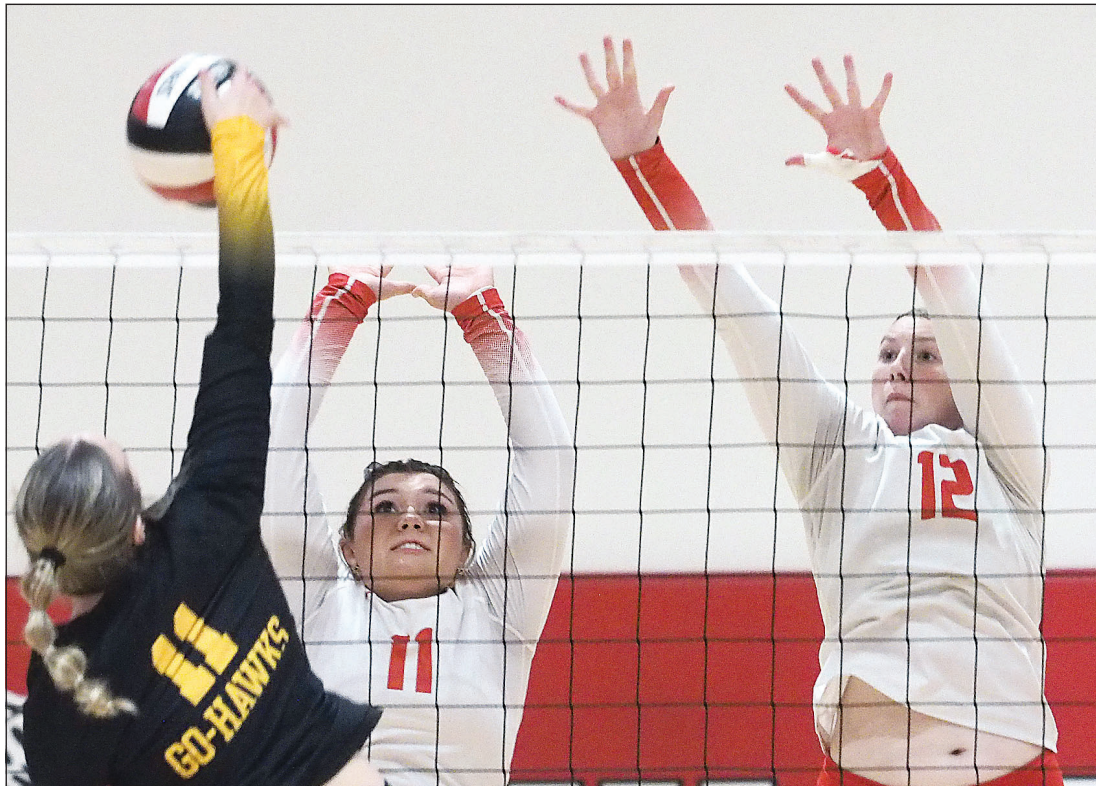
The Go-Hawks faced game point in set number two, but rallied for a 27-25 come-from-behind win. W-SR (7-10) swept the Chickasaws 25-22, 27-25 and 25-16.

This won't be the last time NH faces the 4A Go-Hawks either as the Chickasaws will have a chance to tangle with W-SR one last time in 2024 at its home invite on Saturday, Oct. 5 in Waverly. New Hampton does not play a match in September again

after Decorah's road contest, which was played on Tuesday, Sept. 24. That's 10 days without a match. That means New Hampton will have ample time to work on its game and correct what has gone wrong so far this regular season.

"We had some great conversation with the captains on Friday after our loss to W-SR and I think we know what we have to do. We just have to put it into play. We know we have the tools, we just have to do it. We are going to make our mark and peak just when we need to, we just have to believe in it," said Geerts.

New Hampton (9-8, 1-1) will play in its final NEIC volleyball match ever – at least in the regular season – on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Waukon.



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New Hampton senior Jackie Pickar (left) hugs her father Matt before last week's match against Waverly-Shell Rock in which classmates Allie Johnson and Braelyn Rosonke (above) go up for a block attempt.

The Chickasaws also play in a stout quad at Wapsie Valley on Thursday, Oct. 17 against the likes of the host Warriors, who are rated No. 13 in Class 2A, sixth-ranked Dike-New Hartford and No. 9 Sumner-Fredericksburg. D-NH pulled off a perfect 50-0 season en route to its third state crown in the last four seasons in 2023.

The conference standings in the NEIC as of Tuesday afternoon look like this. Charles City is in first place, as noted before, and Decorah (8-1, 1-0) sits in second-place. The Vikings' lone loss of the season came at the hands of W-SR last week Tuesday by scores of 25-22, 25-13, 23-25 and 25-14. Crestwood (15-3, 1-1) is tied with New Hampton for third in the league and Waukon (12-6, 0-1) is in fifth place.

It was also a special moment

for the Chickasaws on Thursday before the W-SR match as New Hampton celebrated its seniors in their final home match of the year. Geerts and her coaching staff recognized six seniors on the roster in Taylor Ries, Olivia Hoy, Allie Johnson, Braelyn Rosonke, Aleah Eichenberger and Jackie Pickar.

That meant every senior was on the court at the start of game one versus the Go-Hawks – a tradition Geerts hopes to continue long in the future.

"Game 1 is always special because it was Senior Night and kids have the opportunity to play who maybe don't see a lot of court time. Those seniors did great, although we didn't get the win, we still played with a lot of joy and heart," said Geerts.

As far as the stats were concerned in the W-SR match, Rosonke led NH in kills with 12,

followed by freshman Aleigha Cahoy (seven kills). NH junior Maici Weber accumulated 16 assists and made five blocks. Ries led the way with 13 digs and was 11-11 serving.

The start of regional play in Class 3A begins on Oct. 22.

WAVERLY-SHELL ROCK 3, NEW HAMPTON 0

Waverly-Shell Rock	25	27	25
New Hampton	22	25	16

Kills - Braelyn Rosonke 12, Aleigha Cahoy 7, Chloe Weigel 3, Sydney Laures 2, Allie Johnson 1, Ella Wassenaar 1.

Assists - Maici Weber 16, Johnson 7, Rosonke 1, Taylor Ries 1.

Digs - Ries 13, Cahoy 7, Weber 7, Johnson 7, Jackie Pickar 6, Camryn Smith 5, Wassenaar 4, Laures 2, Olivia Hoy 1, Aleah Eichenberger 1.

Blocks - Weber 5, Laures 3, Rosonke 3, Eichenberger 1.

Serving - Ries 11-11, Wassenaar 6-6, Cahoy 9-11, Weigel 3-6, Hoy 3-3, Johnson 3-4, Rosonke 9-10, Eichenberger 6-6, Pickar 7-8.

Aces - Wassenaar 1, Cahoy 1, Hoy 1, Rosonke 1, Pickar 1.

Chickasaws show growth but remain winless



New Hampton's Roy Barron jars the football loose from Osage quarterback Tate Tabbert during the first quarter of Friday's Class 2A, District 3 game.

New Hampton's solid first half goes for naught as Osage uses strong running game late in 34-6 victory

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It was, in coach Chad Pemble's mind, a step in the right direction for the New Hampton football team. Granted, the Chickasaws were still winless after Friday's Class 2A, District 3 opener at Osage as the Green Devils pulled away for a 34-6 victory, but New Hampton showed plenty of resiliency, especially in the first half, after a disheartening couple of weeks when the Chickasaws were outscored by a combined 118-27.

"We made a lot of growth," Pemble said, "and I know from the outside looking in, people probably don't see that but as coaches, we saw a lot of positives, especially in that first half. And then, not because we're not in shape, but I think we got a little worn

down because of our lack of size and experience. But we moved the needle a lot against Osage."

That was especially true in the first 24 minutes of the ballgame. Midway through the first quarter, New Hampton took its first lead since the opening game of the season, and it started with the defense.

Sophomore defensive lineman Roy Barron forced a fumble on a sack near midfield and Emmett Kuehner recovered to give the Chickasaws excellent field position at midfield.

"Roy made a great play there," Pemble said. "He was explosive off the ball, had a really good rush and made a great hit and Emmett was coming hard and fell on it. Forcing turnovers is a big part of football, and we took advantage

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Turkey Valley's Kinsey Reicks and Delaney Busta (above) put up a block while teammate Layni Schuchhardt (below) scores a point near the net against Postville Tuesday.

Trojans make it quick in UIC win over Pirates

Turkey Valley improves to 3-1 in Upper Iowa

By **KELLY TERPSTRA**
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What does it mean to be a Turkey Valley senior?

Trojan all-conference senior middle Kinsey Reicks let it be known after her squad's three-set sweep over the underdog and winless Postville Pirates on Tuesday night in Jackson Junction.

"I try and be a leader on the court. I try and lift people up and I hope people do the same for me also," said Reicks. "Everyone needs someone to look up to. When I started sophomore year I was very nervous, but those seniors led me through it."

That type of leadership was critical on this evening when the overmatched Pirates (0-7, 0-3) had Turkey Valley on its heels after a 8-2 lead in game two. Turkey Valley later managed an 11-0 run in that crucial set two to take control of the match.

The final scores read 25-21, 25-14 and 25-14 – all in the Trojans' favor.

"It was definitely not how we thought we were going to go into the games. They were definitely a lot more scrappy than we were expecting," said TV head coach Ashley Walz, who splits coaching duties with longtime Trojan coach Tammy

Vrzak.

Game one really didn't go all that well for the favored Trojans either – at least early on – as the Pirates stuck around before a 7-1 run closed out game one.

"I think we just found our groove. We started off rough. We weren't really talking much. Once we started to get our kills, get our hits, then we got hyped up. Then we started to put things down," said Reicks.

Reicks – who leads the Trojans in blocks (18) alongside fellow senior Delany Busta's 16 up front near the net – was one of five seniors honored on Senior Night. The other Trojan seniors who received recognition before the start of the varsity match were outside hitter Layni Schuchhardt, libero Morgan Vsetecka and defensive specialist Alexis Elsbernd.

Schuchhardt made several plays down the stretch for the Trojans to help dominate game three. She leads the team in kills with 59.

TV improved to 7-10 overall and 3-1 in the Upper Iowa Conference. Although that mark could well change for the better as the Trojans are looking to catch fire here as the latter portion of the regular season awaits with a key match versus rival South Winn scheduled to be played at home on Tuesday, Oct. 1.



New Hampton's Aleah Eichenberger and Aleigha Cahoy (above) go up to try to thwart a kill attempt by Waverly-Shell Rock's Kylee Reuter and the Chickasaws' Olivia Hoy (below) puts up a serve during a match last week.

Chickasaws battle on Senior Night

New Hampton competitive but falls to old NEIC rival W-SR in non-league match

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The oldest conference in the entire state of Iowa will soon be no more after the 2024-2025 athletic season.

So one really can't chide volleyball fans in attendance that felt just a tad nostalgic when New Hampton and Waverly-Shell Rock locked horns once more on Thursday night on the Chickasaws' home floor.

That's why this old-school NEIC battle sure felt like a key league clash for Jess Geerts' Chickasaws – even if it wasn't.

Waverly, before it consolidated with the much smaller community of Shell Rock, was part of the initial seven-team league that formed over 100 years ago back in 1920.

Those founding members were Waverly, New Hampton, Charles City, Cresco (which later became Crestwood), Decorah, Oelwein and Osage.

All that's left in the conference now after W-SR became an independent starting this school year, Oelwein jumped ship to the NICL and Osage



left clear back in the late 50s, are charter members New Hampton, Decorah, Charles City, Crestwood and Waukon, which joined the NEIC later on.

Starting next fall Charles City will move over to the North Central Conference and New Hampton, Waukon and Crestwood will compete in the Upper Iowa Conference. Decorah is still in wait-and-see

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New Hampton runners are halfway home

Chickasaws' 19th-ranked girls get top-10 finish from Glaser

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Jamie Ohrt has a goal this year for her New Hampton Chickasaw cross country runners.

She wants to inspire her runners for worthy achievements and her route to commending them for their hard work this fall is by awarding them a free T-Shirt.

Not just any T-Shirt – mind you – but a Flash Gordon one. Those are some snazzy, retro threads indeed.

For those that aren't old enough to remember the comic strip character that is Flash Gordon – a short history lesson is in order. The character in question is a spaceman hero of science-fiction lore that also spawned an early 1980s movie and television show clear back in the 50s – among other things.

Just what do his super powers have to do with cross country?

That's a good question that

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New Hampton's Adrianna Kinley competes at a meet in Waverly earlier this month.

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