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Auditor to take over safety duties

Shekleton tells Board of Supervisors that she 'expected' to be coordinator

By BOB FENSKE
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Chickasaw County Auditor Sheila Shekleton had a feeling that it was coming, and that feeling was spot on Monday when the Board of Supervisors appointed her as the county's new safety coordinator.

The county's insurance provider mandated earlier this year that the

county have a coordinator, and in April, supervisors gave the position to Ranae Carey, the administrative assistant for the County Engineer's Office and Secondary Roads Department.

Carey, though, resigned her position on Nov. 12, the same day that board members did not act on her request that the pay for the safety coordinator position be increased from 96 cents to \$5 per hour.

On Monday, Supervisor Jake Hackman said he supported appointing Shekleton and her office as the county's new safety coordinator.

"On the ISAC [Iowa State Association of Counties] website," Hackman said, "it says the county's auditor's office is the hub of county government. You are the custodian in absence of the board of supervisors. I think what this comes down to is that we're not here all day

long if there is an accident."

He said before Shekleton took over as auditor in 2022, her office was the de facto safety coordinator, pointing out that the Auditor Office's sent out the weekly Heartland safety bulletins to various county departments.

"You are the payroll, human resource manager for the county,"

Hackman said, and Shekleton said that "I know it falls on my shoulders. You can talk all you want but I know, I figured, this is

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Last week's snow, this week's cold are reminders that winter is nearing

It's going to be a holiday weekend when we're going to want to bundle and layer up

By BOB FENSKE
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Those snow showers that filled the air at times last Wednesday technically didn't qualify as New Hampton's first snowfall of the year, but they were a reminder that winter could arrive any day now.

So, too, are the frigid temperatures on tap for the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

The good news, however, is that we continue to take a bite out of the drought that re-materialized late this summer and persisted into the fall.

Start with the snow showers that fell on Wednesday, Nov. 20, on much of Chickasaw County.

Hardly any of it stuck, save for a few grassy areas and on playground equipment, but since it didn't reach the 1-inch mark, the National Weather Service didn't consider it the first snowfall of the season.

If those flakes falling weren't a reminder that winter is near, temperatures this weekend will be as the National Weather Service says high temperatures will be around 20 through the

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

Little Sprouts Daycare Director Amy Ameling spends her Monday morning working on the display that is part of the facility's entry in the Festival of Trees, a contest for area non-profits that kicks off on Small Business Saturday this weekend.

LOOKING A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS

CHAMBER'S FESTIVAL OF TREES RAISES MONEY, AWARENESS FOR NON-PROFITS THAT SERVE AREA RESIDENTS

By BOB FENSKE
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New Horizon-Chamber Director Liz Zweibohmer believes the organization's Festival of Trees that kicks off this Saturday is a Christmas deal that can't be beat.

"I look at this like a 2-for-1 deal," Zweibohmer said Monday morning, "because not only is there the donation part but there's also the 'here's what we do,' the chance for non-profits to get their message out."

And the interest in the event has blown the chamber director away.

When the organization first came up with the idea to have non-profit organizations that serve New Hampton and Chickasaw County residents decorate a tree for a contest in which votes are cast by monetary donations, the organization capped the number of trees that would be set up at the New Hampton Municipal Building at 10.

The reason? New Horizons didn't think they'd even reach that number.

"I was hoping for like eight," Zweibohmer

said. "I didn't want it to bomb or anything like that."

Instead, 10 non-profits signed up almost immediately after the chamber put the Festival of Trees word out, and in no time at all, the "waiting list" had grown to seven.

"Well, we didn't want to leave seven out," Zweibohmer said, "and NHMU was great and said if you can fit them in here, why not have more?"

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Chamber gears up for bigger, better Live Windows

Five days after Small Business Saturday, New Horizons and members to host another holiday event

By BOB FENSKE
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Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there. So, too, will be Papa Noel, as will a Light Parade, strollers and much more.

Put another way, a hectic schedule is on tap for New Horizons-Chamber's annual Live Windows event that will take place next Thursday, Dec. 5, in downtown New Hampton.

It also means it's a hectic week for New Horizons and its members as Live Windows comes just five days after they host Small Business Saturday.

"It's the best time of the year. That's what they say, and they

Mikkelson Park lights up Friday night

The east side of New Hampton is about to get a whole lot brighter.

The reason? Little Light of Mine, 2024 style, goes live on Friday night as the annual Christmas lights display at Mikkelson Park gets energized for another season, kicking off a big weekend in the park.

The Little Light of Mine Committee will be offering horse-drawn wagon rides through the park from 5 to 7 p.m. on both

Friday and Saturday. The rides are \$5, and all proceeds will be used to build the committee's annual Christmas display "larger and brighter."

The opening weekend festivities will kick off a "season" that will run through New Year's Eve.

Little Light of Mine will also host a Dec. 7 visit from Santa Claus, who will be at the park from 5 to 7 p.m. before the annual Little Light of Mine fireworks display will take place.

aren't wrong," New Horizons Director Liz Zweibohmer said.

"With Thanksgiving so late this year, it's like, 'Whoa, that's next

week already,' but I think people are really going to like all we have going on downtown. It's going to be a special night."

The event runs from 5 to 7 p.m. and includes the chamber's annual Soup Contest, the Light Parade that will make its way down Main Street at 5:30 p.m., horse-drawn wagon rides around the courthouse and, of course, a warm-up station and treats located just outside of Fidelity Bank and Trust.

That last thing may be needed, for Live Windows, at least since Zweibohmer began working as the chamber's director, seems to attract cold weather.

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Kicking off winter

New Hampton boys basketball player Braxton Bundy makes a pass during an open practice that was held as part of Friday's Meet the Team Night. And as the basketball, wrestling and bowling seasons kick off, we'll preview the New Hampton and Turkey Valley winter sports teams in next week's Tribune.

Good start

New Hampton/Turkey Valley girls wrestling team gets dual win, strong showing at tourney

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Openers

New Hampton, Turkey Valley play girls hoops season openers

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Briefs

Students to perform concerts in coming weeks

New Hampton schoolchildren will put their music talents on display over the course of the next few weeks as four concerts are on tap, beginning with Monday night's New Hampton Elementary School K-4 Winter Concert.

Under the direction of music teacher Erica Koster, elementary school students will take the "stage" and perform a variety of songs for a 7 p.m. concert that will be held at the high school's competition gym.

A week from this Sunday, on Dec. 8, St. Joseph Community School will hold its Christmas Concert following the 10 a.m. mass at Holy Family Church. The concert is expected to begin at approximately 11:15 a.m.

On Monday, Dec. 9, New Hampton Middle School students will take the spotlight at the competition gym for the school's Winter Band/Choir Concert that starts at 7 p.m. and will include the Fifth-Grade Band, Sixth-Grade Band, Keynote Singers, 7/8 Band and the 7/8 Choir.

Concert season will wrap up on Monday, Dec. 16, when New Hampton High School will put on the Winter Music Festival at 7 p.m. that will include selections by the NuHI Chorale, Chamber Choir and Concert Band.

Entry form for gingerbread artists is due Saturday

The Gingerbread House Contest is on for Dec. 7 at Plum Creek Art in Fredericksburg.

The entries in all four categories will be judged by the public at the Viewing and Voting from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on that day. The winner in each category (12 and under, 13 to 18, Adult, Businesses and Organizations) will receive a \$50 prize. Entry forms are available at Chickasaw County libraries, at the Chickasaw County Tourism office in New Hampton and at Plum Creek Art. Entry forms must be returned to Plum Creek Art, 115 W. Main St., Fredericksburg, IA 50630 by Saturday, Nov. 30. There is no entry fee.

Contest rules include one gingerbread house per participant, no purchased gingerbread houses, all gingerbread houses must be placed on a covered board base, and the gingerbread house must be 100 percent edible, no artificial materials used, no wrapped candies or lollipop sticks and must not require refrigeration.

Kits are allowed only in the 12 and under category and other rules must be followed.

Plan to make an original creation and enter the contest! Or stop in to see the Gingerbread Houses and vote for your favorite on Dec. 7.

New Horizons-Chamber Director Liz Zweibohmer (above) decorates her organization's entry into the Festival of Trees while Little Sprouts Children's Center Director Amy Ameling (below) shows off one of the ornaments that was made by a preschooler at her facility.

Festival of Tree 'votes' will be donations to non-profits

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Most of the trees are themed, if you will, and voting will be conducted from Nov. 30 through Dec. 25 during the utility's regular business hours - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays - but the chamber is also "pushing" two dates.

The utility office will be open this week during Small Business Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and next Thursday, Dec. 5, during Live Windows, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The contest is simple in that \$1 donated equals one vote; in other words, this is not a "one-person, one-vote" kind of deal.

Zweibohmer is also working on a way for residents to cast "votes" through Venmo, and the money collected by each tree will go to the respective non-profits.

Almost as important as the money that will be collected is the fact that non-profits will be able to get that word out about what they do and who they serve.

The organizations taking part in the Festival of Trees include Chickasaw County SNAP, New Horizons-Chamber, the New Hampton High School Pride Pantry, Carnegie Cultural Center, Little Sprouts Children's Center, New Hampton Public Library, Cedar Valley Angels, Everybody Hurts, Friends of St. Joseph Community School, Choose 2 Include, Comprehensive Systems; Treasure Chest, Fostering Families Together, New Hampton Women of Today, Chickasaw Event Center, Chickasaw County Child Abuse Prevention Council, Chickasaw County ISU Extension and American Legion Fae Stine Post 38.

On Monday morning, Little Sprouts Children's Center Director Amy Ameling was busy working on not just the daycare's tree but also a display that showed different items - ranging from laundry pods to gently-used toys to baby food and formula - that the center accepts.

"I think it's absolutely wonderful," Ameling said, "and it's a chance for us to tell people what we can use. Our card that we're handing out said 'do you have resources to help our mission?' It's just another way to let people know how they can help us. Plus, the trees are amazing."

Little Sprouts' trees include ornaments made by children who attend the daycare.

"They had so much fun doing these," Ameling said, "and it gives our kids a connection to this. ... This is such a great idea, not just for us but for all non-profits, and we're so happy we get to be a part of it."

And the bonus, Zweibohmer said, is that it will bring plenty of Christmas cheer to the downtown area.

"Our businesses and the city do a great job with holiday spirit," she said, "and this just adds to that. We're excited to see how it goes and hopefully we'll raise some money for a lot of great worthy causes."

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5:45 - 7 PM Pictures with Papá Noel Daisy's Mexican Store - 23 W Main St.

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The Light Parade will return to New Horizons-Chamber’s annual Live Windows event that will be held in New Hampton next Thursday.

Santa, Papa Noel to visit Live Windows

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“The crazy thing is we always seem to have a really good crowd,” she said with a laugh, “but I’m starting to think I’m the curse with the cold. Seriously, this is an event that it doesn’t matter what the weather is because people love it and we love putting it on.”

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in their traditional spot — Hacker Nelson Co. — from 5:45 to 7 p.m. while for the first time, Papa Noel will be available for pictures at Daisy’s Mexican Store.

“I’m really excited about having Papa

Noel,” she said. “We have worked really hard to bring our Hispanic population into our events, and this is going to be so much fun.”

The chamber director is also looking forward to a bigger and better Light Parade, which is free to enter.

The parade entrants will congregate near Water Avenue, and there is no charge to enter the parade, although the chamber would like those taking part to register so that they can be eligible for the parade’s “People’s Choice Award.”

“That was such a fun thing last year and people loved seeing the lights going down

Main,” Zweibohmer said. “From what I’m hearing, there are going to be some really cool entries this year.”

The point, of course, of both Small Business Saturday and Live Windows is to show that New Hampton has a lot to offer when it comes to folks doing their Christmas shopping, but if there is a secondary point, it is this: The chamber and its members have plenty of holiday spirit.

“I’ve always loved events like this,” Zweibohmer said, “because in my mind, they are so uplifting. They represent Christmas and how small cities like ours come together to celebrate the season.”



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

It didn’t amount to much, but some of last week’s snow showers “stuck” to playground equipment in Nashua’s Cedar View Park.

Soil moisture profiles improving

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weekend and overnight lows will drop into the single digits.

The good news is that we’re making improvements on the drought that has plagued the area since September.

Through Tuesday, New Hampton’s official weather recording station has received 4 inches of rain, more than double the 1.81 inches it normally receives during the first 26 days

of the month.

Although the latest U.S. Drought Monitor report showed that all of Chickasaw County is experiencing “moderate” drought conditions, experts say the drought situation is improving and concerns about soil moisture profiles heading into 2025 are ebbing.

The latest USDA Iowa Crop Progress and Condition Report showed that 75 percent of topsoil in the Northeast District

that includes Chickasaw County have either adequate or surplus moisture.

Experts, though, say another decent rainfall or two would be helpful when it comes to subsoil moisture profiles as just half of deeper soil has adequate or surplus moisture.

The short-term forecast, though, isn’t all that promising as there is little, if any, precipitation in the forecast until at least late next week.

Parks and Rec gearing up for Dec. 14 Breakfast with Santa

Tara Hackman has heard it over and over since she began working for the New Hampton Parks and Recreation Department.

“People say it all the time that it can’t be Christmas until we have Breakfast with Santa,” the department’s director said recently, “and I think that says a lot about what people think of the event.”

And this year’s edition of Breakfast with Santa will be held from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 14, at the New Hampton Community Center.

While the Parks and Recreation Department sponsors the event, Hackman said it receives plenty of support in putting on the event. Deb El provides the eggs for the breakfast, the New Hampton Education Association and New Hampton Public Library hands out a book to each child and, of course, the volunteers who cook up the breakfast and Santa taking time out of his busy schedule to visit with area children go a long way to making sure the event is a success.

Admission to Breakfast

with Santa is free, but families attending are asked to bring

a donation for the Chickasaw County Food Pantry.

Letter to the Editor

CWC board, staff delivers 20 years of thank yous

We want to thank everyone that came out to help us celebrate our 20th anniversary. We wanted to show our appreciation to all our members and commemorate our 20 years of serving our community.

The idea of building a recreational facility for our community all started in the late 1990’s when a group of community leaders saw a need in our community. The really neat thing about living in a small community is that the leaders in the community see a need and go about meeting that need, and so it began.

The initial planning meeting was held in Lynn Schwickerath’s living room with a group of people that wanted to make this a reality. That was the start of the “GIFT” campaign, which was a collaboration on this project between the county, city, school and our community. It really started at the grassroots level and many in the community rallied to support it. And we are here today in 2024 celebrating the 20th anniversary of that vision coming to reality.

We would like to acknowledge some of the people that made this possible.

- The leaders of the Gift campaign, which was co-chaired by a couple of leaders in our community Vern Laures and Willis Hanson along with many GIFT volunteers: Melissa Drewelow; Chip Schwickerath; Scott Perkins; Perry Laures; Scott Lester; Bob Messersmith; Tom Collins; Lynn Schwickerath; Terry Anderson; Bill Roths; Grant Anderson; George Feazell; Gail Bearman; Laurie Marzolf; Linda Kennedy; Mick Gage and many others too numerous too mention.
- All of the generous donors that you see recognized on the plaques at the CWC.
- New Hampton Community Schools and Superintendent Bob Longmuir; Mike Kennedy who crafted the 28E agreement between the school district and the CWC; along with the Chickasaw Booster Club.
- The city of New Hampton and all of Suellen Kolbet’s assistance; along with the support of the NH Municipal Light Plant, which was chaired at that time by Gary Wegner.
- Chickasaw County with George Feazell as its representative.

We would like to recognize the past CWC board members for their service; including our first board president, Bill Roths, who was succeeded by Chip Schwickerath and the current board president, Jeff Henn, along with current board members Maggie Peterson; Tara Hackman; Mitch Laures and Bob Ayers.

We would also like to recognize our past CWC directors; Angie Huffman; Shellie (Gebel) Hudecek and Emily Kleiss along with our current co-directors who do an awesome job, Sarah Robinson and Cydney Holschlag along with their staff that keep this place running smoothly.

But most importantly we would like to thank all our members and our community for your continued support.

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Quiet peace

Ask God to help you practice to enjoy the silence and stillness

*But I have stilled and
quieted my soul.*

Psalm 131:2a

I'm a talker ... this began in junior high. When report cards came home, my Mom never expected anything better than a C beside the word "conduct."

One of my teachers politely called me "very social." Others were more blunt: "Paula talks too much. She could learn more if she talked less."

Unfortunately, old habits die hard. I brought this trait of talking too much into the time I set aside each day to spend alone with God. I often fill my "quiet time" with my words ... lots and lots of words.

I wonder if sometimes the Father looks to the Son and says, "I can't get a word in edge-wise with this girl! She could learn

more if she would talk less."

No, silence wasn't easy for this girl who likes to gab. Rather than waiting for God to speak to me, I wanted to tell Him what I thought would be good solutions to my problems. To-do lists ran through my head, instead of peace and quiet. It was easy to go on and on about the dusty shelves and piles of toys. But sit and listen? That felt unnatural, so I resisted and kept talking.

Years ago I shared this uneasiness with God, knowing silence and stillness were things I needed to practice. During these times I felt God's gentle encouragement: Shhh ... be still. It's okay to be silent. You don't have to say a word.

God was clearly trying to teach me something. As with anything, prac-

tice makes perfect. With great intention, I slowed my 90-mile-an-hour thoughts and parked them during my alone time with the Lord.

My spirit felt renewed and at peace. In silence and stillness, I sensed God's direction for my day, peace for my circumstances and the soul-rest I needed.

As we fill the reservoirs of our souls with true refreshment from God, we learn to relax as we experience real peace and rest that only comes from the silence and stillness of being with Him.

We carry this refreshment with us as we face the challenges of our day.

Do you find it challenging to sit quietly with God?

Ask Him to help



Pastor Paula Hemann serves the New Hampton Methodist Church and the Elma Christian Church.

you practice and enjoy silence and stillness.

Your soul will find refreshing peace. God's rest is exactly what our restless souls' needs in the midst of the turmoil's of living.

Thank you, Lord, for the rest only you can give, Amen.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Love, Joy & Peace,
Pastor Paula

The basics when it comes to Advent

The month of December can be a busy time of year. Social engagements related to the holiday season can run the gamut from office parties to school pageants to dinners with extended family.

Despite the hectic pace of the holiday season, millions of people still find time to celebrate their faith, and for Christians, that includes celebrating the season of Advent.

What is Advent?

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops reports that Advent is a time of preparation for practicing Catholics, who use the four-week season to prepare for the second coming of Jesus Christ and for the celebration of the birth of Christ, which is commemorated on Christmas Day.

What does "Advent" mean?

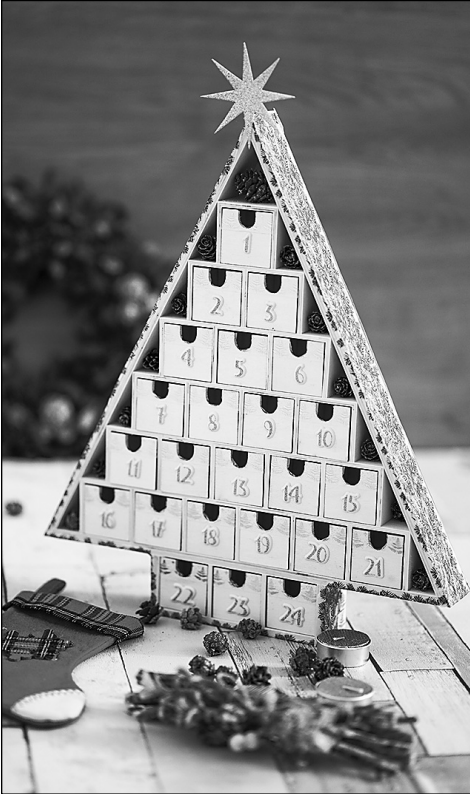
The Catholic News Agency indicates that the word "Advent" is derived from the Latin "ad" and "venire," which loosely translates to "to come" or "to come toward."

When does Advent begin?

Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas. In 2024, the celebration of the season of Advent begins this Sunday and continues until Tuesday, Dec. 24.

What is the significance of Advent wreaths?

The Catholic News Agency notes that



Advent wreaths have been in use since the Middle Ages. The evergreen wreaths remind Catholics of the eternal life in Jesus Christ. Each Sunday during Advent,

one of the four candles on the Advent wreath is lit.

Why is one Advent wreath candle a different color than the others?

Three of the four candles on an Advent wreath are purple. The candle lit on the third Sunday of Advent is pink, and priests even wear pink vestments on this day. The USCCB notes that the third Sunday of Advent is known as "Gaudete Sunday." The word "Gaudete" means "rejoice," and the unique color of the candle lit on Gaudete Sunday commemorates that the season of Advent is halfway through.

What is the significance of the Advent calendar?

Advent calendars are among the more notable symbols of the holiday season for Catholics, and Christianity.com notes this tradition can be traced back to the mid-nineteenth century. Advent calendars typically feature 24 doors or boxes to open (one for each day between Dec. 1 and Christmas Eve), and they are used by families counting down the days until the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. Many families with small children utilize

Advent calendars to teach youngsters about their faith, which can help to redirect adults' and children's focus to the true meaning of the season during a period when it's easy to grow distracted by other things.

But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit."

Matthew 1:20

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Consider tax-smart charitable gifts

As we enter the annual season of giving, you might be thinking of charities you wish to support. But you also might be wondering how to gain some tax benefits from your gifts.

It used to be pretty straightforward: You wrote a check to a charity and then deducted the amount of the gift, within limits, from your taxes. But a few years ago, as part of tax law changes, the standard deduction was raised significantly, so fewer people were able to itemize deductions. Consequently, there was less financial incentive to make charitable gifts.

Of course, this didn't entirely stop people from making them. And it's still possible to gain some tax advantages, too.

Here are a few tax-smart charitable giving strategies:

- *Bunch your charitable gifts into one year.* If you combine a few years' worth of charitable gifts in a single year, you could surpass the standard deduction amount and then itemize deductions for that year. In the years following, you could revert to taking the standard deduction.

- *Make qualified charitable distributions.* Once you turn 73 (or 75 if you were born in 1960 or later), you must start taking withdrawals from your traditional or inherited IRA. These withdrawals — technically called required minimum distributions, or RMDs — are taxable at your personal income tax rate, so, if the amounts are large enough, they could push you into a higher tax bracket or cause you to pay larger Medicare premiums.

But if you donate these RMDs directly to a qualified charity, you can avoid the taxes. And because these donations, known as qualified charitable distributions (QCDs), will reduce the balance on your IRA, you may have lower RMDs in the future.

Of course, if you need some or all your RMDs to help sustain yourself in retirement, the



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use of QCDs may not be of interest to you. Keep in mind, though, that you can start making QCDs at 70½, even before you must start taking RMDs. QCDs up to \$105,000 can be taken in 2024.

- *Consider a donor-advised fund.* If you're interested in a long-term charitable giving arrangement, you might want to consider establishing a donor-advised fund. You can put many types of assets into this fund, and then direct it to make grants periodically to the charities you've chosen. You get an immediate tax deduction for your contribution, and, if you donate appreciated assets, such as stocks, you'll avoid the capital gains taxes you would have incurred if you simply sold the stocks and then gave the money to the charities. One note of caution, though — your contributions to a donor-advised fund are irrevocable, and once the assets are in the fund, you can't use them for anything except charitable giving.

These strategies — QCDs and donor-advised funds in particular — can be complex and involve several issues of which you should be aware. So, you should consult your tax advisor before taking action. But if any of these techniques are appropriate for your situation, give them some thought — because helping a charitable group and getting tax benefits for doing so is a "win" for everyone.

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

Edward Jones, Member SIPC



Photo courtesy of Shari Rasing

Off to retirement

Sister Vicky Arndorfer, who served as MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center's chaplain for the past 12 years, poses for a picture with hospital CEO Aaron Flugum during a retirement party last week. Arndorfer earlier this year announced her intention to retire and worked her last day at the hospital before heading to her new home in Marion.

Salvation Army looking for bell ringers in December

The Chickasaw County unit of the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Campaign is off to a good start, but volunteers are needed to fill out shifts in December.

"We have the whole week filled," Unit Coordinator Kris Markham said, "and that's just absolutely wonderful. We know how busy people are during Thanksgiving week, and we really appreciate our volunteers, but we do have quite a few open shifts in December so we're hoping we can get those filled."

Those who want to take a shift — which can be as little as an hour — can go online to <https://bit.ly/4e7Xq54> or call Markham at 641-229-0113.

All shifts take place at New Hampton's Fareway store, where bell ringers are on duty from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day, save for Sundays, until Christmas Eve.

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

Members of the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors and Auditor Sheila Shekleton listen as County Attorney David Laudner (far right) discusses options the county has for naming a new safety coordinator.

Supervisors appoint auditor as county's safety coordinator

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where we are going."

Hackman added that he looked through job descriptions for those working in the Auditor's Office and all of them contain the verbiage "other duties may be required or assigned."

Shekleton, though, did ask board members if they would support paying whomever in her office she assigned "safety tasks" to receive an additional 96 cents per hour.

Hackman said he felt it was a "budget work session question if additional support is needed," but Supervisor Matt Kuhn said he would support a bump in pay for the

employee taking on additional duties.

"We were paying one before so I don't know why we wouldn't pay one now," he said.

Board members eventually approved naming the auditor as the safety coordinator, but they didn't take any action on a possible pay increase for whoever in the Auditor's Office becomes the safety, as Shekleton called it, "front person."

Because the county has a safety coordinator, it will receive a 10 percent discount on its workers' compensation insurance, which works out to a little more than \$10,000 a year. Hackman said he had discussed that discount with County Attorney David Laudner last week.

Laudner, Hackman said, asked "if they're going to give us 10 percent, why can't they take that \$100,000 insurance wide and have that person in the counties twice a month, or once a month, to do this."

Hackman said he appreciated the discount but thought that "maybe Heartland should take more of a stand on it ... helping all counties so that the same person is the go-to for all 10 counties and the landfill that they represent and have one person who Sheila would talk to."

The supervisors also discussed other possible options for a safety coordinator but eventually settled on Shekleton and her office to take over the position.

Turkey Valley schools receive 'commendable' status from state report

BY BOB FENSKE
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Like its neighbor to the west, Turkey Valley Community Schools are "commendable."

That's the opinion of the most recent Iowa School Performance Profiles, which were released earlier this month by the Iowa Department of Education.

The Iowa School Performance Profiles is an online tool showing how public schools have performed on multiple measures, and Jurrens said four key areas include student proficiency in literacy, math and science and the level of chronic absenteeism in each school building.

Schools are then rated as exceptional, high performing, commendable, acceptable, needs improvement or "priority/comprehensive," and the latter schools are deemed to "need assistance and support" from the state.

District wide, Turkey Valley students bested the state average in two of the three key subject areas and had less chronic absenteeism, which is defined as the "percent of students who were present for less than 90 percent of the days they were enrolled."

In math, 77.6 percent of Turkey Valley students were

proficient, almost eight percentage points above the state average of 69.8 percent. In literacy, almost 80 percent of Turkey Valley students were proficient, ahead of the state average if 72.7 percent. In science, though, the proficiency rate for Turkey Valley students was 51.8 percent, off from the 61.6 percent state average.

Turkey Valley's chronic absenteeism — defined by the report as students who miss more than 10 percent of school days — was 18.8 percent, below the state average of 21.6 percent.

The final report showed that both the district's elementary

and junior/senior high schools were rated as commendable, the same designation that all three New Hampton schools received.

Like New Hampton, Turkey Valley also shined when it came to what state officials deem the post-secondary work-based learning category, which is defined as "the percent of students participating in a work-based learning experience while in high school."

More than half of Turkey Valley High School's students participated in a worked-based experience, far above the state average of 25.5 percent.

Turkey Valley FFA Alumni conducting membership drive

The Turkey Valley FFA Alumni and Supporters are currently hosting a membership drive and could use your support.

Past membership donations have helped make the Turkey Valley FFA chapter flourish and become stronger. Funds raised have been used to help support students become new young leaders by funding activities such as leadership workshops, state and national convention and agriculture education opportunities.

The Turkey Valley FFA was established in 2016, the Alumni and Supporters were formed a few years later in 2019.

The FFA Alumni and Supporters mission is to help grow and promote the FFA, its activities, and agriculture education. The organization supports FFA members and its advisor, Steve Pfaffle, by helping build leaders, grow communities and strengthen agriculture.

Membership Options are: American Degree, \$500 and up; Chapter Degree, \$100-\$249;

State Degree, \$250-\$499; and Greenhand Degree \$1-\$99.

All memberships will be recognized at the annual FFA Banquet and Post Harvest Breakfast.

Donations can be dropped off at Turkey Valley or mailed to Turkey Valley FFA Alumni and Supporters, Steve Pfaffle/E. Franzen, 3219 State Hwy 24,

Jackson Junction, IA 52171.

There are also many volunteer opportunities within the FFA Alumni. Volunteer help is needed during fruit distribution at the beginning of December, as well as to give feedback to FFA Members practicing for their LDE competitions.

Alumni volunteers helped make the FFA's first Post

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES NOVEMBER 18, 2024

The Board convened on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Kuhn, Suckow, Hackman and Cewinske present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Cewinske called the meeting to order. Also present were Auditor Sheila Shekleton, Bob Fenske member of the media, Ionia Community Library India Watson, Nashua Public Library Heather Hackman, New Hampton Public Library Carrie Becker, Upham Memorial Library-Fredericksburg Jackie Kush and Board Member, Ken McFarland, Lawler Public Library Cathy Humpal and Sandy Busta, Alta Vista Public Library Crystal Griffen, Assessor Raymond Armel, Engineer Roman Lensing, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, and Attorney David Laudner (phone).

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve the agenda for November 18, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve minutes for November 12, 2024. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Breitbach, Suckow, Cewinske. Abstained: Kuhn. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve minutes for November 13, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to approve Class B Retail Alcohol License for a 12-month term for BS And Stuff. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve Storage Contract for Restore Independent Mobility at the Heritage Center. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Public comment: The Auditor shared that she decided not to move forward with the increase in pay for the Election Deputy and hopes to revisit it during the budget session.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to acknowledge resignation of Safety Coordinator, Ranae Carey, effective November 12, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

The public library directors in Chickasaw County and Upham Memorial Li-

brary-Fredericksburg board member, Ken McFarland, gave updates on the libraries.

The public libraries in Chickasaw County requested a 6% FY 25-26 budget allocation increase from Rural Services Basic Fund.

Recessed: 9:21 AM

Resumed: 9:30 AM

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve 34 new Family Farm Tax Credit applications. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Hackman to approve 154 new Homestead Tax Credit and Exemption applications and 178 Homestead Tax Credit and Exemptions be removed. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Suckow to approve 11 new Military Service Property Tax Exemption applications and 48 Military Service Property Tax Exemptions be removed. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Assessor Raymond Armel updated the board on Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) for the wind turbines and Homeland Energy Solutions LLC.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to approve RESOLUTION 11-18-24-48 WHEREAS, Chickasaw County completes an inspection of all bridges and structures on the Secondary Road System of Chickasaw County and WHEREAS, part of this inspection involves the recalculation of the safe load capacity of any structure showing remarkable deterioration of the structural components of that structure and

WHEREAS, that structural evaluation has resulted in the recommendation to increase the safe load capacity that can be supported by certain structures NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on this 18th day of November,

2024 as provided in Sections 321.471, 321.472, and 321.473, Code of Iowa to erect and/or maintain weight limit signs in advance of the following bridges located on the Local Secondary Road System as follows: Passed and approved this 18th day of November, 2024. ss/ Scott Cewinske, Chairman, Ayes: Hackman, Suckow, Kuhn, Breitbach, Cewinske. /ss/Attest: Sheila Shekleton Auditor. A copy of the full text of the resolution is available for inspection at the Chickasaw County Auditor's office in the Chickasaw County Courthouse, New Hampton, Iowa, during regular

business hours, and also online at www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov.

Secondary Roads updates given by Engineer Roman Lensing.

Sheriff Shawver updated the board on the Purple Wave auction on the sale of two Durangos.

Discussed the Jail Inspection Report that was completed on September 27, 2024 with Sheriff Shawver.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to enter into CLOSED SESSION UNDER IOWA CODE 21.5(K) REF IOWA CODE 22.7(50) TO DISCUSS UPDATED SECURITY PROCEDURES AT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY at 9:54 AM. Roll call: Ayes: Hackman, Kuhn, Breitbach, Suckow, Cewinske. Motion carried.

Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Breitbach to exit CLOSED SESSION UNDER IOWA CODE 21.5(K) REF IOWA CODE 22.7(50) TO DISCUSS UPDATED SECURITY PROCEDURES AT COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY at 10:05 AM. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Suckow to acknowledge the estimate from Barker Communications & Security for jail building equipment and for amount not to exceed \$13,325.00 per purchase policy. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Breitbach to approve claims in the amount of \$135,060.03. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hackman, seconded by Kuhn to approve prior claims in the amount of \$9,076.98. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Hackman to approve payroll check date November 15, 2024. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Committee Assignment: Supervisor Hackman, November 13, 2024- Emergency Food & Shelter Motion by Kuhn, seconded by Breitbach to adjourn at 10:07 AM. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried. Scott Cewinske, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

Almanac

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Thursday	33	29	--
Friday	32	28	--
Saturday	44	30	--
Sunday	46	35	--
Monday	36	15	--
Tuesday	34	12	--

Forecast

Thanksgiving: Partly sunny with a high of 27 and a low of 10,

Friday: Mostly sunny and cold with a high of 20 and a low of 6.

Saturday: Mostly sunny and cold with a high of 20 and a low of 5.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 20 and a low of 6.

Extended forecast: We'll remain on the cold side as we start the work week with highs in the 20s and lows in the teens but little, if any, precipitation.

Meetings

MONDAY

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
- New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

- In 1520, after sailing through the dangerous straits below South America that now bear his name, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan enters the Pacific Ocean with three ships, becoming the first European explorer to reach the Pacific from the Atlantic.
- In 1919, American-born Nancy Astor, the first woman ever to sit in the British House of Commons, is elected to Parliament with a substantial majority.
- In 1925, the first live radio broadcast is held at the Grand Ole Opry.
- In 1943, U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt joins British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Joseph Stalin at a conference in Tehran, Iran, to discuss strategies for winning World War II and potential terms for a peace settlement.
- In 1994, serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer, serving 15 consecutive life sentences for the brutal murders of 15 men, is beaten to death by a fellow inmate while performing cleaning duty in a bathroom at the Columbia Correctional Institute gymnasium in Portage, Wisconsin.

Birthdays

- American comedian and TV host Jon Stewart turns 62.
- Judd Nelson, an actor who was part of the '80s "Brat Pack," turns 65.
- Former New York Yankees pitcher Dave Righetti turns 66.
- American film actor Ed Harris turns 74.
- Motwon Records founder Berry Gordy turns 95.

Corrections

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Mildred Jensen, 89

Mildred Jensen, age 89 formerly of New Hampton, died Saturday, Nov. 16, 2024, at Aase Haugen Senior Services in Decorah surrounded by family.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024, at First United Methodist Church in Decorah.

Hugeback Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton have been entrusted with arrangements.

Mildred was born at home on the farm near Colesburg, on Nov. 19, 1934, the youngest of five children of Clarence and Irene Hartbeck.

She spent her childhood working with her family on the farm and developed a love for cooking.

After graduating from Colesburg High School in 1952, Millie enrolled at Iowa State Teachers College (now UNI), graduating in 1956 with a teaching degree.

In August 1957, Millie married Lawrence Jensen at a country church near her childhood home. Lawrence and Millie shared 67 years of marriage together. They raised three sons — finding their greatest joy in family time together. They shared passions for gardening, the preservation of homegrown food, and family meals.

While caring for family was always her first commitment, “Mrs. Jensen” was a lifelong educator. She taught home economics for several years in Iowa, Illinois and Georgia before pausing her career when



Millie Jensen

her first son was born in 1962.

Millie earned a masters degree in library science in 1985 and began a second phase of her career as the librarian at New Hampton High School. Her love for reading was shared with countless students during her nine years as a school librarian.

Millie was a lifelong United Methodist and a member of First United Methodist Church in New Hampton for 50 years. Her faith was a constant in her life and her church community was an important grounding for her.

Mildred is survived by her husband, Lawrence; and three sons, Chris (Sheral) of Iowa City, Eric (Julie) of Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, and Jon (Rachel) of Decorah, as well as eight grandchildren — Isaac, Joshua, Alex, Mara, Annika, Tim, Sylvia and Lily.

Damon Lynn Dietz, 46

Damon Lynn Dietz, age 46, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024, after a nearly three-year battle with cancer. He died peacefully, with his loved ones around him.

A visitation will be held at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home in Nashua on Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024, at 1 p.m., with brief remarks at 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the American Cancer Society or Cedar Valley Hospice.

Property Transfers

Francis Fisher and Ann Jackson POA to Megan M. Snyder and Chad Snyder; LAWLER HIGHLAND ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 6.

Jill J. Eckenrod TR and Jane C. Eckenrod REV TR to Jill J. Eckenrod; N100' L15 NW SW 17-94-14.

Limerock Farm LLC to Jonathan S. Oberholtzer and Evelyn S. Oberholtzer; PARCEL 2024-5 IN PT NE SE 04-96-14 PARCEL 2024-5 IN PT L2 NE 04-96-14.

Kevin S. Martin and Alma N. Martin to Jonathan S. Oberholtzer and Evelyn S. Oberholtzer; PARCEL 2024-7 IN PT NE SE 04-96-14 PARCEL 2024-7 IN PT L2 NE 04-96-14.

Little Turkey Investments LLC to Croell Inc.; PARCEL E IN PARCEL C NW NE 09-95-11 PARCEL F IN PARCEL D NW NE 09-95-11 LOT A SW SE 04-95-11 ALL OF TRACT LYING BETWEEN ROADS EX SW SE 04-95-11 N40' OF PARCEL C NW NE 09-95-11N40' OF PARCEL D NW NE 09-95-11 PARCEL 33' WIDE BOUNDED BY STREETS SW SE 04-95-11.

Lloyd E. Robbins and Leeanne Schulz Atty In Fact to Adrian James Martin; IONIA HAMMONS 2ND ADDITION Lot: 11 Block: 25.

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STATE OF IOWA				
2024				
FINANCIAL REPORT				
FISCAL YEAR ENDED				
JUNE 30, 2024 CITY OF ALTA VISTA, IOWA				
DUE: December 1, 2024				
NOTE - The information supplied in this report will be shared by the Iowa State Auditor's Office, the U.S. Census Bureau, various public interest groups, and State and federal agencies.				
ALL FUNDS				
	Governmental (a)	Proprietary (b)	Total Actual (c)	Budget (d)
Revenues and Other Financing Sources				
Taxes Levied on Property	71902		71,902	67,168
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	0		0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	71,902		71,902	67,168
Delinquent Property Taxes	0		0	0
TIF Revenues	0		0	0
Other City Taxes	38,323	0	38,323	30,131
Licenses and Permits	1,149	0	1,149	700
Use of Money and Property	10,249	900	11,149	2,200
Intergovernmental	115,530	0	115,530	79,900
Charges for Fees and Service	19,515	248,878	268,393	290,000
Special Assessments	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	14,673	19,450	34,123	0
Other Financing Sources, Including Transfers in	31,270	0	31,270	20,000
Total Revenues and Other Sources	302,611	269,228	571,839	490,099
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses				
Public Safety	54,378		54,378	72,005
Public Works	56,305		56,305	5,000
Health and Social Services	7,954		7,954	0
Culture and Recreation	40,600		40,600	15,902
Community and Economic Development	0		0	0
General Government	120,391		120,391	90,934
Debt Service	0		0	0
Capital Projects	0		0	0
Total Governmental Activities Expenditures	279,628	0	279,628	183,841
Business type activities		213,955	213,955	0
Total All Expenditures	279,628	213,955	493,583	183,841
Other Financing Uses, Including Transfers Out	31,270	0	31,270	20,000
Total All Expenditures/and Other Financing Uses	310,898	213,955	524,853	203,841
Excess Revenues and Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/and Other Financing Uses	-8,287	55,273	46,986	286,258
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2023	180,378	45,107	225,485	187,637
Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2024	172,091	100,380	272,471	473,895
NOTE - These balances do not include the following, which were not budgeted and are not available for city operations:				
Non-budgeted Internal Service Funds		Pension Trust Funds		
Private Purpose Trust Funds		Agency Funds		
Indebtedness at June 30, 2024	Amount	Indebtedness at June 30, 2024	Amount	
General Obligation Debt	0	Other Long-Term Debt	0	
Revenue Debt	0	Short-Term Debt	0	
TIF Revenue Debt	0			
		General Obligation Debt Limit	368,387	

Paul Kieffer, 82

Paul Kieffer, age 82 of New Hampton, died Sunday, Nov. 24, 2024, at New Hampton Nursing & Rehab Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 2, 2024, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be held at St. Mary's Cemetery in New Hampton.

Friends may greet the family from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Monday prior to the Mass at the church.

Paul Kieffer was born on April 21, 1942, in Red Wing, Minnesota, to Louis and Louise (Lucuis) Kieffer. Paul's life was a testament to hard work, love and service.

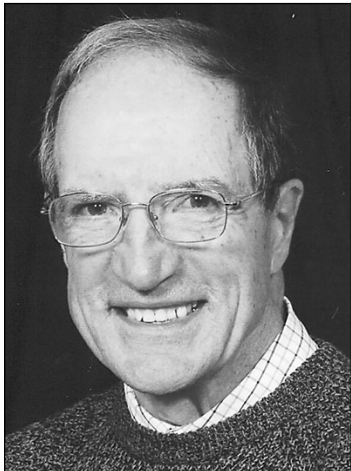
Paul's formative years were spent in Minnesota, where he attended Hastings High School, graduating with the class of 1960.

His sense of duty and service led him to enlist in the Army, where he honorably served for six months and with the Reserves for an additional six years.

It was during a dance at the Skyline dance hall in Red Wing that Paul's life took a fortuitous turn. There, he met Ila Rusch, the woman who would become his lifelong partner, his wife of 60 years and best friend. Their love blossomed, and the couple exchanged vows at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Goodhue, Minnesota, on Jan. 11, 1964.

Together, Paul and Ila established a warm and loving home on the family farm near Hastings, where they were blessed with three children.

In 1971, a career change prompted a move to New Hampton, marking the begin-



Paul Kieffer

ning of a new chapter for the Kieffer family.

Paul was a man of many skills, and he worked tirelessly in various jobs to support his family before discovering his true calling as a general contractor. His business, Kieffer Construction, became a household name in the area, known for quality and integrity.

Paul's craftsmanship was not only his profession but also his passion. He constructed three homes for his family, each one a showcase of his meticulous workmanship and personal touch. His reputation for excellence was evident in the many houses throughout the area that bore the mark of his skilled hands.

Beyond his career, Paul's interests were as diverse as they were rich. He was an avid reader of travel magazines, and together with Ila, he explored the world. Their adventures took them to 89 countries, traversing every continent except Antarctica and visiting every state in the United States multiple times. The couple particularly enjoyed their Viking river

Cynthia ‘Cindy’ Sue Kirst, 68

Cynthia “Cindy” Sue Kirst, age 68 of Osage, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2024, at her home surrounded by her children following a long and courageous battle with illness.

Cindy was born April 21, 1956, in New Hampton, to parents Carl and Ella (Straw) Loewen.

She attended New Hampton Schools and, following graduation, immediately began work at Comprehensive Systems in Charles City.

Cindy was a natural caretaker all her life and was passionate about her work caring for special needs children.

On Sept. 12, 1987, she was united in marriage to John Kirst and moved to the family farm in New Haven. Together, the couple faithfully raised three children — Neysa, Jessica and Lakota. She was also graced with a grandson, Grayson



Cindy Kirst

Marlowe, who she absolutely adored.

Even after leaving Comprehensive Systems to focus on raising her family, her dedication to serving others continued through volunteering at the local County Home,

boat cruises, and some of their most cherished memories were made in Cuba, Africa, Australia and Kentucky. Their love for country music often led them to concerts of their favorite performers.

Paul also dedicated his time and talents to his faith community, serving on the church council at St. Mary's Parish for several years and helping out with many projects at the church.

His commitment to his faith was matched only by his devotion to his family and his love for the land. An enthusiastic gardener, Paul took great pleasure in tending to his plants and generously shared the bounty of his harvest with neighbors and friends.

Those who knew Paul would describe him as incredibly handy, generous and passionate. His ability to build anything was matched only by his desire to help others and his eagerness to share his knowledge. Paul's legacy is one of a life well-lived, filled with the joy of discovery, the warmth of community, and the love of family.

Paul is survived by his wife, Ila Kieffer of New Hampton; three children, Steven (Lynn) Kieffer of Northfield, Minnesota, Brian (Carla) Kieffer of Menomonie, Wisconsin; and Kimberly (Doug) Wehling of Mount Prospect, Illinois; nine grandchildren, Megan (Robert) Haresdin, Emily (Troy) Kieffen, Meredith Kieffer, Abigail (Bryce Morgan) Kieffer, Matthew Kieffer, Nolan Kieffer, Sam Wehling, Laurel Kieffer and Sophia Wehling; and one great-grandson, Maddox Kieffer-Morgan.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters.

caring for numerous families and always lending a helping hand to those in need.

Throughout her life, she made countless lasting friendships and was known for being a strong shoulder to lean on during times of struggle.

Cindy will be remembered as a caring mother and grandmother, a devoted friend, and for the joyful smile she greeted each day with.

Cindy always said, “Don't cry for me when I'm gone, but remember me in all the good times, and share a smile and a laugh when you think of me.”

She was truly a blessing on this earth and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, John Kirst; her children, Neysa Sturgeon, Jessica Kirst and Lakota Kirst; her grandson, Grayson Marlowe; loved ones, Ashlynn, Brooklyn, and Ethan Brock; and countless other friends and family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Ella (Straw) Loewen; her sister, Kay Meighan; her niece, Michele Meighan; her brothers, Jackie, Gary, and Robert McCahen and Carl (Jonny) Loewen; her father and mother-in-law, Joesph and Miriam (Carol) Kirst; and many dear friends.

The memorial Mass of Christian Burial for Cindy was held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 25, 2024, at St. Peter's Catholic Church in New Haven.

The visitation was held one hour prior to the service at the St. Peter's Catholic Church in New Haven.

Champion Funeral Home of Osage is assisting the family with the arrangements. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.schroederfuneralhomes.com.

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News Bits From Our Past Compiled by Terri Josephson

Week of Nov. 24 1949 (75 years ago)

- The two New Hampton bank statements indicate that money is more plentiful than it was four months ago. Bank deposits have increased, on June 30, 1949, bank deposits for both banks were \$4,494,570.41 and on Nov. 1, 1949, they were \$4,571,770.31. Loans have decreased sharply in the two banks in the last four months.
- 1974 (50 years ago)**
- It isn't something in the future any longer, New Hampton Community High is now in the interscholastic girls basketball business. The Chickasawettes started their new "business" venture quite impressively, to say the least. They launched it with a thrilling 48 to 46 victory at Waterloo last Thursday. Most of the Tribe scoring came from drives to the basket by forwards Brenda Schuchhardt and Greta Budweg, frequently set up by on feeds by post forward Lisa Gates. Miss Schuchhardt closed the game with 19 points and Miss Budweg collected nine points. The scoring was rounded out by Miss Gates with six, Bev Gorman, four and Sue Franke with two.
- The action wasn't all in the forward court, the Tribe's 5-11 post guard Carolyn Franke was the game's leading rebounder.
- Carol Cordes is the head coach for New Hampton, with Linda Meyer as assistant coach.
- Donations to the New Hampton Library Improvement Fund had reached \$9,602.50 early this week, over three-fourths of the \$12,000 goal set by the New Hampton Lions Club, which is heading the drive. Money for the project has been donated by clubs, organizations and individuals and a good portion has come from New Hampton businessmen who have been contacted by Lions members.
- 1999 (25 years ago)**
- New Hampton won their first state championship ever in high school football with an 18-7 victory over Central Lyon in the Class 3A State Finals Saturday at the UNI-Dome. The 1999 Chickasaws also set new school records for the most wins in a season (12-1) and for the most consecutive wins (12).

New Hampton's Derek Sauser completed a 62-yard pass to Blake Flansche for a 6-0 lead, but the Lions returned the ensuing kickoff for a touchdown and made the extra point for a brief 7-6 lead.

Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR Chickasaw COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Andrew J Schmitt Jr, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR003256 NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Andrew J Schmitt Jr, Deceased, who died on or about on August 22, 2024:

You are hereby notified that on November 14, 2024, the last will and testament of Andrew J Schmitt Jr, deceased, bearing date of May 1, 2014, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of the 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 be forever barred.

Dated on November 14, 2024.
Rosemary A Schmitt, Proponent

Attorney for estate:
Tori Beyer,
ICIS#: AT0015570
12 E. Main Street
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

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TRUST NOTICE IN THE MATTER OF THE TRUST: Duane F. Lynch

To all persons regarding Duane F. Lynch, deceased, who died on or about September 12, 2024. You are hereby notified that the trustee listed below is the trustee of the Duane F. Lynch Trust U/A dated January 4, 2016. Any action to contest the validity of the trust must be brought in the District Court of Chickasaw County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to the spouse of the decedent settlor, and to all heirs of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustee at the address listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.

Dated on November 18, 2024.

Patricia A. Lynch
c/o 620 Lafayette Street
P.O. Box 178
Waterloo, IA 50704-0178

Theresa E Hoffman
AT#0003649, Attorney for Trustee
Beecher, Field, Walker, Morris,
Hoffman & Johnson, P.C.
620 Lafayette St, Ste. 300,
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Before the first quarter ended New Hampton recaptured the lead 12-7 on a 53-yard interception return by Kyle Collins, and in the third quarter the Chickasaws' Chris Winter returned an interception 76 yards for a final lead of 18-7.

The Chickasaw defense that proved to be the best in the state in 3A allowed only four first downs and 110 yards total offense against the hard-charging Lions, who finished the season 11-2.

A reception was held Saturday night for the returning heroes after an estimated 7,000 fans attended the game, packing the west side of the UNI-Dome in a sea of red and black.

2014 (10 years ago)

- Chickasaw County Emergency Management director Kenny Rasing discussed the mass notification system called Alert Iowa that can, and will, be used by Chickasaw County with a group of board heads at the department head meeting. The system is free of charge and available to all counties. Rasing hopes the system will be operational within the next few months.
- Competing for a spot in the Des Moines Register elite team is a tough assignment. Only the best football players from around the state make the grade, and all six classes are included in the selection process. Connor Frerichs was named to the squad and also made the Iowa Newspaper Association first team. In addition, Tucker Tenge earned first team honors for both the Register and INA polls and Tanner Rentschler was selected to the INA first team.
- 2019 (5 years ago)**
- Scott Soifer, is the owner and operator of Soifer Family

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ORDINANCE NO. 898

An Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the October, 2024 Addition to the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area, 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 certain taxable property in the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area (the "Urban Renewal Area"), pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said ordinances, certain taxable property within the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area in the City was designated a "tax increment district"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to increase the size of the "tax increment district" by adding additional property;

BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the City of New Hampton, Iowa:

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for the division of taxes levied on the taxable property in the October, 2024 Addition to the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area of the City of New Hampton, Iowa, each year by and for the benefit of the state, city, county, school districts or other taxing districts after the effective date of this ordinance in order to create a special fund to pay the principal of and interest on loans, moneys advanced to or indebtedness, including bonds proposed to be issued by the City of New Hampton to finance projects in such area.

Section 2. Definitions. For use within this ordinance the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"City" shall mean the City of New Hampton, Iowa.

"County" shall mean Chickasaw County, Iowa.

"Urban Renewal Area Addition" shall mean the October, 2024 Addition to the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area of the City, the legal description of which is set out below, approved by the City Council by resolution adopted on October 21, 2024:

That part of Parcel K located in Lot 16 of the Irregular survey of Section 6, Township 95 North, Range 12 West of the 5th P.M., City of New Hampton, Chickasaw County, State of Iowa.

Section 3. Provisions for Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the Urban Renewal Area Addition. After the effective date of this ordinance, the taxes levied on the taxable property in the Urban Renewal Area Addition each

year by and for the benefit of the State of Iowa, the City, the County and any school district or other taxing district in which the Urban Renewal Area Addition is located, shall be divided as follows:

(a) that portion of the taxes which would be produced by the rate at which the tax is levied each year by or for each of the taxing districts upon the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the Urban Renewal Area Addition, as shown on the assessment roll as of January 1 of the calendar year preceding the first calendar year in which the City certifies to the County Auditor the amount of loans, advances, indebtedness, or bonds payable from the special fund referred to in paragraph (b) below, shall be allocated to and when collected be paid into the fund for the respective taxing district as taxes by or for said taxing district into which all other property taxes are paid. For the purpose of allocating taxes levied by or for any taxing district which did not include the territory in the Urban Renewal Area Addition on the effective date of this ordinance, but to which the territory has been annexed or otherwise included after the effective date, the assessment roll applicable to property in the annexed territory as of January 1 of the calendar year preceding the effective date of the ordinance which amends the plan for the Urban Renewal Area Addition to include the annexed area, shall be used in determining the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the annexed area.

(b) that portion of the taxes each year in excess of such amounts shall be allocated to and when collected be paid into a special fund of the City to pay the principal of and interest on loans, moneys advanced to or indebtedness, whether funded, refunded, assumed or otherwise, including bonds issued under the authority of Section 403.9(1), of the Code of Iowa, incurred by the City to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, projects in the Urban Renewal Area, and to provide assistance for low and moderate-income family housing as provided in Section 403.22, except that taxes for the regular and voter-approved physical plant and equipment levy of a school district imposed pursuant to Section 298.2 of the Code of Iowa, taxes for the instructional support program levy of a school district imposed pursuant to Section 257.19 of the Code of Iowa and taxes for the payment of bonds and interest of each taxing district shall be collected against all taxable property within the taxing district without limitation by the provisions of this ordinance. Unless and until the total assessed valuation of the taxable property

McDonald's, has ten restaurants including New Hampton. It's been a hectic couple of months for his McDonald's New Hampton location.

In September, workers began a remodeling process that included pretty much the entire store.

A new play area was added, the dining room was completely gutted and rebuilt and work was done on both the counter and kitchen areas. And it all needed to be done within two months.

- MercyOne, New Hampton Medical Center will "pause" the hospital's obstetric services, effective July 1, 2020.

The pausing of labor and delivery services isn't unique to New Hampton, in fact, according to the Iowa Department of Public Health, 29 Iowa hospitals have closed their maternity wards since the new century began.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SALE

The contents of Storage Unit #68
Located at: C Storage
625 S Linn Ave
New Hampton, IA 50659
And rented in the name of:
Kate Smith (Gamblin)
Will be sold at public auction sale on: Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 1:30PM
Contents of said unit consist in part of: Personal, Household, and Misc Items
MINIMUM BILL WILL HAVE TO BE \$350 per unit.
If the tenant of the above storage unit pays rent due before the auction, the sale will be canceled without notice.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE GRACE M. MCGREGOR SECOND AMENDED AND SUBSTITUTED TRUST AGREEMENT NOTICE OF TRUST

To all persons regarding Grace M. McGregor, deceased, who died on or about November 10, 2024:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Clark McGregor and Ruth Bierschenk are the Co-Trustees of the Grace M. McGregor Second Amended and Substituted Trust Agreement dated March 30, 2021.

Any action to contest the validity of the Trust must be brought in the District Court of Chickasaw County, New Hampton, Iowa, within the later to occur within four (4) months from the date of second publication of this notice, or within thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to all heirs of the decedent settlor and the spouse of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred.

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustee at the address listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested, by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required, or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied.

Dated this 14th day of November, 2024.

Grace M. McGregor Second Amended & Substituted Trust Agreement dated March 30, 2021.

Clark McGregor, Co-Trustee
3397 280th Street
Nashua, IA 50658

Ruth Bierschenk, Co-Trustee
2753 Victory Avenue
Nashua, IA 50658

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CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2024 7:00 P.M.	CAPITAL PROJECTS-WATER
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, November 18, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher and Larsen. Humpal was absent. Also in attendance were City Attorney Todd Prichard, Conrad Rosendahl, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Bob Fenske, Toby Schwickerath, Mark Andera, Nick Jurgensen, Jonas Schwickerath and several NHHS students.	\$5,165.32.....\$5.84
1. Approve meeting agenda	CAPITAL PROJECTS-SEWER
2. Approve City Council Minutes of November 4, 2024.	\$5,076.82.....\$5.84
3. Approve City Claims of \$1,049,385.77	CUSTOMER DEPOSITS
4. New Horizons Chamber Request to Close Streets 12-5-2024	\$2,618.00.....\$740.00
5. Fire Department Minutes of 11-4-2024	TOTAL
6. Park & Rec Board Minutes of 11-6-2024	\$1,655,618.30.....\$476,981.31
7. New Hires for Fire Department: Jayden Jones & Russell Haskins	Moved by Speltz, seconded by Larsen; that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Motion carried.
8. Department Head Meeting Minutes 11-5-2024	The Mayor announced that, on October 21, 2024 and November 4, 2024 the City Council had given its initial and second consideration and had adopted an ordinance entitled "Ordinance No. 898 An Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the October, 2024 Addition to the New Hampton Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa."
9. Library Board Minutes of 11-13-2024	It was moved by Council Member Porath and seconded by Council Member Speltz that the aforementioned ordinance be given its final consideration and that it be adopted. Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None. Absent - Humpal.
10. Class C Liquor License: Bowl Away Lanes & Lounge 11-15-2024	Whereupon, the Mayor declared the motion duly carried and declared that said ordinance had been given its final consideration and has been adopted.
11. Home Occupation Permit for Federal Fireance License: J Gansen	7:00 Public Hearing
12. Finance Reports	The City Council investigated and found that notice of the intention of the Council to conduct a public hearing on a Development Agreement between the City and New Hampton Transfer & Storage, Inc. had been published according to law and as directed by the City Council and that this is the time and place at which the Council shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of the City. The Mayor asked for Oral Comments: Property owner, Jonas Schwickerath, shared a brief explanation of the project. The Mayor asked for Written Comments: There were none. There being no further objections or comments, the Mayor announced that the hearing was closed.
FUND RECEIVED..... DISBURSED GENERAL	Moved by Denner, seconded by Fisher That RESOLUTION No. 6687 A RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH NEW HAMPTON TRANSFER & STORAGE, INC. AUTHORIZING ANNUAL APPROPRIATION TAX INCREMENT PAYMENT AND PLEDGING CERTAIN TAX INCREMENT REVENUES TO THE PAYMENT OF THE AGREEMENT, be approved. Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None Absent - Humpal. Resolution approved
\$711,606.37.....\$184,282.45	There was a Committee Meeting As A Whole at 6:00 pm prior to the regular city council meeting with Travis Squires with Piper Sandler, Inc., Squires met with the council to discuss the financing of several capital improvement projects including the wastewater treatment plant and road reconstruction. PWD Casey Mai has scheduled a meeting with Squires to
ROAD USE TAX	
\$39,862.61.....\$51,544.20	
SPECIAL REV/EMPLOYEE BEN	
\$219,774.24.....\$20,141.76	
SELF INSURANCE FUND	
\$7,981.00.....\$3,373.72	
LOCAL OPTION TAX	
\$55,065.88.....\$0.00	
HOTEL/ MOTEL TAX	
\$4,417.09.....\$6,333.46	
HOTEL/ MOTEL TAX CAP RES	
\$1,507.74.....\$0.00	
TIF- INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL	
\$249,891.19.....\$0.00	
HOUSING REHAB. GRANT	
\$14,580.38.....\$23,063.71	
DEBT SERVICE	
\$23,405.86.....\$14,193.00	
LIBRARY SPECIAL PROJECTS	
\$107.63.....\$785.60	
ROADS CAPITAL PROJECTS	
\$10,356.69.....\$11.66	
STORM WATER CAPITAL PROJ	
\$5,957.53.....\$5.84	
CAPITAL PROJECTS	
\$97,861.96.....\$63,975.01	
WATER UTILITY	
\$84,532.91.....\$37,170.05	
SEWER UTILITY	
\$80,827.19.....\$38,516.07	
SOLID WASTE	
\$35,021.89.....\$32,833.10	

determine sewer rates for council review and subsequent approval. After a brief discussion, the Council requested another Committee As a Whole meeting at 5:30 pm on December 16th with Travis Squires.

PWD Casey Mai is requesting approval of hiring Jim Kuhn as 'Public Works Operator'. This new position will allow Kuhn to be able to assist with any public works task. His starting pay will be \$24.44 with a \$2.25 increase after 6 month probation. Moved by Larsen, seconded by Fisher; That RESOLUTION No. 6688 A RESOLUTION TO HIRE JIM KUHN AS PUBLIC WORKS OPERATOR AT A RATE OF PAY OF \$24.44 PER HOUR EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 19, 2024 WITH AN INCREASE OF \$.25 AFTER 6 MONTHS OF EMPLOYMENT, be approved. Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None. Absent - Humpal. Resolution approved

PWD Casey Mai is requesting approval of hiring Kyle Anderson. The position 'Street, Water & Sanitary Superintendent' combines the responsibilities of three departments into one. His starting pay will be \$65,000/year with a \$5,000 + 3% increase July 1, 2025. Moved by Fisher, seconded by Porath; That RESOLUTION No. 6689 A RESOLUTION TO HIRE KYLE ANDERSON AS STREET, WATER & SANITARY SUPERINTENDENT AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF PAY OF \$65,000 be approved. Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None. Absent - Humpal. Resolution approved

PWD Casey Mai also informed the Council that the current Street Superintendent, Eric Kuehn, will transition to working at the wastewater treatment plant 100% in the next month and contractor, Iowa Municipal Solutions owner, Chris Even, will phase out his assistance with the City of New Hampton.

Council requested staff to review the Union Agreement with Union 2003 regarding clarification of vacation time off, probation length and the addition of pay increases for employees who are certified for water treatment, water distribution, wastewater or pesticide application. Local Union No. 2003 representative, Mark Hubbard, has signed the Memorandum of Understanding. Moved by Porath seconded by Larsen That RESOLUTION No 6690 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING THE LOCAL UNION #2003, be approved. Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None. Absent - Humpal. Resolution approved

Economic Development Director Tammy Robinson shared that there is a continued lack of communication with the property owner. Josh Mack, regarding the unsafe conditions of 13 West Main Street. Robinson has visited with Kit O'Donohoe from Elwood O'Donohoe Braun & White Attorneys law firm requesting his representation for the City with any necessary legal action. City Attorney Todd Prichard cannot represent

the city as he has a conflict of interest with Mr. Mack. Staff would like to proceed with enforcing legal action against the property owner declaring the building unsafe. Moved by Porath, seconded by Fisher That RESOLUTION No. 6691 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO PROCEED THE DECLARATION OF AN UNSAFE BUILDING AT 13 WEST MAIN AND HIRE ATTORNEY KIT O'DONOHUE OF ELWOOD O'DONOHUE LAW FIRM AS LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, be approved. Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None. Absent - Humpal. Resolution approved.

Fire Chief Toby Schwickerath updated the council on the status of the damaged 2016 Grass Truck. The truck was heavily damaged at a fire in the 1st week of October as a result of heavy smoke, a tractor and grass truck collided. The insurance company has totaled the 2016 truck. The net settlement is \$37,912, less the deductible. The salvage buy back amount is \$10,225, with the net settlement of \$27,662. Schwickerath is requesting council support to purchase a new truck chassis and rebuild the damaged 2016 grass truck with all the expenses the responsibility of New Hampton Firefighters Association.

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz That That RESOLUTION No 6692 A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW FIRE CHIEF, TOBY SCHWICKERATH, TO PURCHASE NEW 2025 CAB & CHASSIS FOR A GRASS TRUCK AND TO REBUILD THE 2016 GRASS TRUCK, PENDING NEW HAMPTON FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION APPROVAL TO REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR ALL RELATED EXPENSES, Ayes - Porath, Speltz, Denner, Fisher, Larsen. Nays - None. Absent - Humpal. Resolution approved.

Moved by Speltz, seconded by Porath; that the meeting adjourn at 8:08 pm. Ayes – Five. Nays – None. Absent – Humpal. Motion carried.

ATTEST: KAREN CLEMENS, CMC City Clerk
STEVE GEERTS, Mayor
CITY - WRITTEN SINCE NOVEMBER 4, 2024
Iowa Department of Revenue, Sales Tax 4,395.62
First Citizens Bank, Open 6 Month City Treasurer's Cash CD .. 1,000,000.00
USPS, Postage for Utility Bills .. 198.86
Five Star Coop. Bolts, Fuel, Gas, Oil 950.18
Kwik Trip, Gas..... 1,921.44
Windstream, Phone Service 283.98
TOTAL WRITTEN 1,007,750.08
CITY - TO BE WRITTEN
Annie's Alterations, Uniform Allowance 112.00
Black Hills Energy, Natural Gas 1,793.36
BMC Aggregates, Roadstone .. 2,501.89
Environmental Resource, Lab Supplies 133.82
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Empower Retirement, Deferred Comp ..	475.00
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City of New Hampton, Utilities ..	77.08
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PARK & REC -TO BE WRITTEN	
City of New Hampton, Utilities ..	710.52
US Cellular, Cell Phone Service ..	63.76
VISA, Facebook Tumbling Ad, Cold Comp., Canva Subs	292.47
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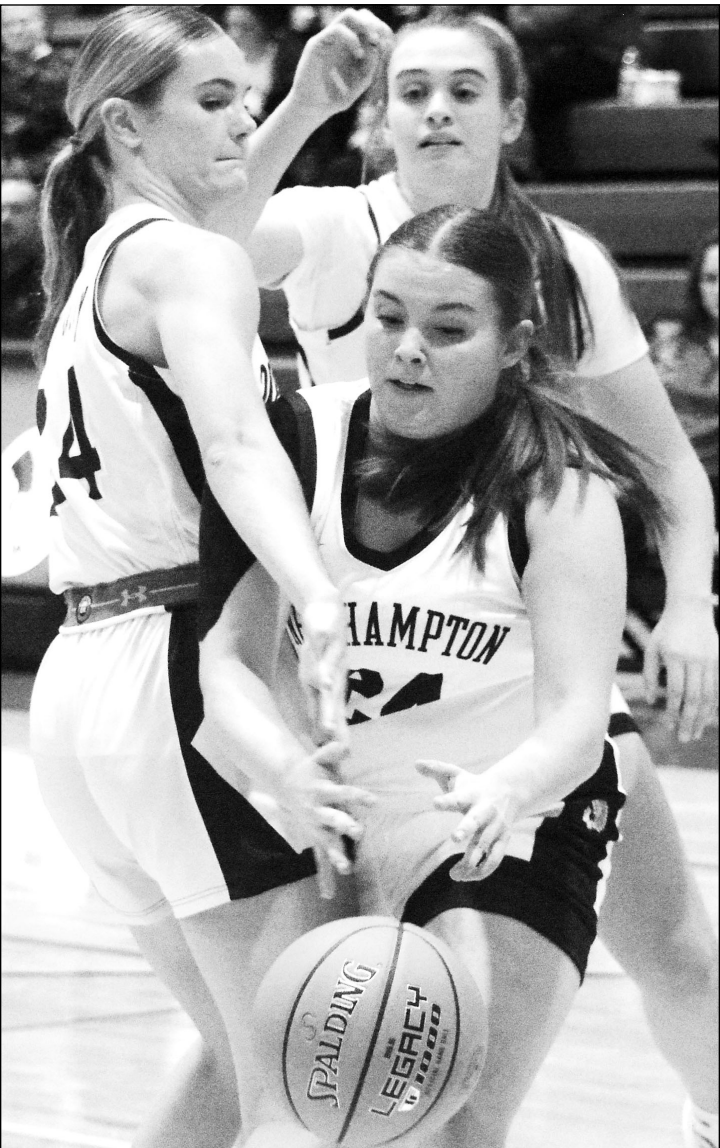
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New Hampton senior Jackie Pickar is fouled as she attempts to drive the baseline during Tuesday night's season opener against Wapsie Valley.

Final comeback comes up just short for Chickasaws

NH GIRLS: FROM 10

sophomore Ava Leichtman heated up and scored nine straight points for the Chickasaws, and her bucket early in the fourth quarter cut the deficit to 46-44, advantage Warriors.

“We kept getting behind, but our girls kept working harder,” coach Leichtman said. “We couldn’t quite get over the hump, but it was encouraging to see how much they fought. You hate to lose, but as young and as inexperienced as we are, we definitely have something to build on.”

New Hampton, though, went through a five-minute drought stuck on 44, and the only thing that kept the Chickasaws in the game was a hard-nosed defense.

Down 50-44, Caycee Crawford scored a bucket, Leichtman, who finished with a game-high 18 points, hit 3-of-4 free throws and a Chloe Weigel basket off an assist from Leichtman cut the deficit to 54-41 with 34 seconds left.

Wapsie Valley, meanwhile, went ice-cold at the line — missing six straight free throws in

the final minute — but down two and with the ball, New Hampton committed its 33rd and final turnover on a possession that could have tied the game or given the Chickasaws the lead.

“We had some first-game jitters, no doubt about it,” the Chickasaws’ coach said, “and you know, we’re basically working almost a whole new group this year. ... We scored 52 points and had 33 turnovers. That’s a ton of points, and we know it’s something we’ll work on. We’ve got some time before we play Osage [next Thursday], but I’ll say it again, we showed we have some building blocks with this group.”

WAPSIE VALLEY 54, NEW HAMPTON 52

WV	11	18	17	8	-	54
NH	8	18	16	10	-	52

NEW HAMPTON SCORING

Ava Leichtman	6	4-6	18,	Jordan Thronsdon	2	0-0	5,	Cora Schwickerath	4	1-3	11,	Jackie Pickar	3	0-0	6,	Chloe Weigel	2	0-0	5,	Tegan Dungey	0	0-0	0,	Kayme Hackman	0	0-0	0,	Caycee Crawford	2	1-2	5,	Aleigha Cahoy	0	2-2	2.	Totals	19	8-13	52.
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3-point field goals - Leichtman 2, Schwickerath 2, Thronsdon 1, Weigel 1.

Trojans open season with a 62-point victory

TV GIRLS: FROM 10

led the charge for the Trojans with 11 steals. Stika — the only starter on the floor not back from a year ago, came awfully close to a triple double. She grabbed nine rebounds to go along with eight points on 4-4 shooting.

TV went on a 22-0 run to bust the game wide open after senior Delaney Busta’s putback made the score 24-3 underneath two minutes to go before the end of the first stanza. Busta would finish with seven points on 3-5 shooting. She also corralled nine rebounds as well.

It went from bad to worse for the Pirates, who saw TV go on a continuous streak of points that built up to 38 straight without an answer.

That 38-0 run made it 75-7 before Postville scored the last six points of the evening.

TV senior Addison Steinlage finished with 16 points and was 8-9 from the charity stripe. Annika Bodensteiner, who netted seven points, hit TV’s lone 3-pointer of the evening near the baseline in the second half.

Bodensteiner, along with Steinlage, Busta and senior Layni Schuchhardt — comprise a veteran Trojan team. Hoffert returns 11 letterwinners from a team that went 7-15 overall and 6-10 in league play in 2023-2024.

“I think we’re a pretty solid team. We all have our strong suits,” said Bodensteiner. “We’ve got pretty much everything. We have a lot of height, which I think will help us a lot.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley’s Haylee Hanson corrals a rebound during the Trojans’ win over Postville on Tuesday night.

We just gotta use it.”

Trojan junior Haylee Hanson notched 12 points and racked up eight rebounds.

Emersyn Hoffert — a sophomore and coach Hoffert’s daughter — hit for double-digit scoring with 13 points. She also ripped down eight rebounds.

Bodensteiner summed up a fun night had by all in the first game of the year for the Trojans.

“We’re really being aggressive, using our depth and really going after it,” said

Bodensteiner.

TURKEY VALLEY 75, POSTVILLE 13

Post	5	2	0	6	-	13
TV	27	18	23	7	-	75

Hazel Nieman 2-5 0-0 4, Addison Steinlage 4-10 8-9 16, Annika Bodensteiner 3-7 0-0 7, Madalyn Vsetecka 0-1 0-0 0, Makinley Lutgen 0-2 0-0 0, Layni Schuchhardt 0-8 0-2 0, Ella Ives 0-1 0-0 0, Emersyn Hoffert 6-8 1-2 13, Kendall Kuennen 0-0 0-0 0, Brynlee Hayek 2-4 1-2 5, Bella Stika 4-4 0-2 8, Miyah Byrne 0-1 0-0 0, Delaney Busta 3-5 1-4 7, Haylee Hanson 5-6 2-2 12, Callie Busta 0-1 0-0 0, Ellaney Bodensteiner 0-5 1-4 1. Totals 29-68 16-29 75.

3-point goals - A. Bodensteiner 1-3, Nieman 0-1, Steinlage 0-1, Schuchhardt 0-1, Hanson 0-1.

Rebounds - Stika 9, D. Busta 9, Hoffert 8, Hanson 6, A. Bodensteiner 5, Nieman 4, Hayek 3, Byrne 3, Vsetecka 2, E. Bodensteiner 2, Steinlage 1, Schuchhardt 1, Ives 1, Kuennen 1.

Assists - Stika 4, Hoffert 3, Schuchhardt 2, Steinlage 1, A. Bodensteiner 1, Byrne 1, C. Busta 1.

Steals - Stika 11, D. Busta 6, Hoffert 5, A. Bodensteiner 3, Steinlage 2, Hayek 1, Hanson 1, C. Busta 1.

Blocks - D. Busta 2, Hanson 1, E. Bodensteiner 1, Hoffert 1.

Briefs

Chickasaws’ Rosonke named to all-district team

New Hampton’s Braelyn Rosonke capped her prep volleyball career with a spot on the Class 3A all-district team.

The senior middle for Jess Geerts’ Chickasaws was one of 15 girls recently selected by the Iowa Girls Coaches Association (IGCA) on the Class 3A Northeast Iowa all-district group.

All members of the Northeast squad in Class 3a were seniors with the exception of junior Sophie Sander from Anamosa. Maggie Willems of Mount Vernon and her state title winning Mustangs was named Class 3A Northeast District Coach of the Year.

Rosonke was one of Class 3A’s best hitters near the net with 290 kills — which ranked her 20th overall in her class. Her kill efficiency of .415 was seventh-best in 3A.



Rosonke

Wartburg’s Wemark posts first career triple-double

Former New Hampton High School basketball star Drake Wemark has had a tough start to his 2024-25 college basketball season for Wartburg College ... with one notable exception.

And that exception came on Tuesday, Nov. 19, when the sophomore guard posted the first triple-double of his collegiate career when he scored 11 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and dished out 11 assists in the Knights’ 123-111 win over Grinnell College.

An ankle injury has kept Wemark out of the lineup for much of Wartburg’s 5-1 start; in fact, he has played just 26 minutes thus far and 20 of those game in the win at Grinnell.

Cahoy named to all-tourney team at nationals

Former New Hampton volleyball star Marissa Cahoy ended a strong freshman season at Kirkwood Community College by being named to the NJCAA all-national tournament team.

Cahoy led the Eagles at the national tournament with 42 kills in four matches as Kirkwood went 2-2 in the tournament that was held in Cedar Rapids. Kirkwood won it’s opening match, fell in the quarterfinals, won a quarterfinal consolation match before seeing its season come to an end.

The 2024 New Hampton High School graduate finished the season with 306 kills and 66 blocks, helping Kirkwood to a 36-8 record, the Iowa Community Athletic Conference regular season title and a regional title that sent the Eagles to the national tournament.

Cahoy was also tabbed as an all-region honorable mention selection.

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WEX, FUEL-ASSR..... 58.35

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TOTALS..... 166,930.60



New Hampton's Chloe Weigel (above) and Jordan Thronndson (below) battle inside to score baskets during Tuesday night's season opener against Wapsie Valley.

Chickasaws battle but fall in opener

New Hampton girls show plenty of grit and toughness, but fall 54-52 to Wapsie Valley



By BOB FENSKE
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It may have been a “L” Tuesday night for the New Hampton girls basketball team, but Chickasaw coach David Leichtman found so much to like that he came out of the locker room with a smile.

“That’s the hardest working first game I’ve seen our team play since I started coaching this team,” Leichtman said after New Hampton found itself on the wrong end of a 54-52 score with Wapsie Valley. “The big thing is we came back and owned our mistakes and got better, I felt, throughout the game.”

Don’t take Leichtman — or his Chickasaws, for that matter — wrong; the loss stung but considering their inexperience and youth, New Hampton put up a heck of a fight.

Down 9-3 late in the first quarter, New Hampton got a 3-pointer from Cora Schwickerath, a Jordan Thronndson bucket on a tough, gritty inside play, a Thronndson 3-pointer and a Jackie Pickar basket off a drive to take a 13-12 lead.

That set the tone for a tight second quarter, and if not for a buzzer-beating 3-pointer by the Warriors’ Maya Barnes, the two teams would have went into the break dead even. Instead, Wapsie Valley had a 29-26 lead.

Still, New Hampton took a rare lead early in the third quarter when Pickar scored on a slashing drive to the basket and Schwickerath nailed a 3-pointer.

After Wapsie Valley used a 10-0 run to build an eight-point lead, 39-33, New Hampton

SEE NH GIRLS, 9

Turkey Valley girls roll to UIC win against Postville

Balanced Trojans open season with 75-13 win over Pirates

By KELLY TERPSTRA
sports@nhtrib.com

If you watched any amount of Tuesday night’s season opener for the Turkey Valley Trojans, you could clearly see the Postville Pirates were having trouble bringing the basketball up the court.

That’s one of the reasons Steve Hoffert’s Upper Iowa Conference squad rolled to a rout over the visiting Pirates by a score of 75-13.

This was a no-doubter from the tip as TV led 45-7 at the break and blanked the Pirates 23-0 in the third period of play. If not for a 6-0 run late by Postville — which went 2-20 last winter and 1-15 in league play — Hoffert and his solid squad could well have pitched a second-half shutout.

Hoffert’s full-court press — which he’s tweaked some from last year — was on full display. One was surely reminded of Hoffert’s predecessor — Carla Nymeyer — on Tuesday as TV came up with 30 steals. The ultra-successful coach prior to Hoffert taking over three seasons ago utilized the trapping, in-your-face style of press to frustrate opponents en route to back-to-back state runner-up finishes. Hoffert was an assistant on Nymeyer’s staff near the end of her coaching run.

“I call it the blindside run and jump,” said Hoffert. “It’s full-court man with a trap. It’s similar to 1-2-1-1.”

TV sophomore Bella Stika

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Turkey Valley’s Hazel Nieman goes up for a layup in the Trojans’ win over Postville Tuesday night.


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MONDAY
New Hampton boys basketball at Mason City Newman Catholic, JV at 6:15 p.m., varsity at 7:45 p.m.

TUESDAY
Turkey Valley girls and boys basketball at MFL MarMac, JV at 4 p.m., varsity at 6:15 p.m.

New Hampton/Turkey Valley JV/V boys wrestling vs. Central Elkader, Clear Lake and South Winn at South Winneshiek, 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 5
New Hampton/Turkey Valley girls varsity wrestling at Iowa City Area Sports Commission, Coralville, 9 a.m.

New Hampton girls and boys

bowling at Columbus Catholic, 4 p.m.

New Hampton girls and boys basketball at Osage, JV girls at 4:15 p.m., JV boys at 5:15, varsity girls at 6:30 and varsity boys at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 6
New Hampton/Turkey Valley girls varsity wrestling at Iowa City Area Sports Commission, Coralville, 9 a.m.

New Hampton/Turkey Valley boys varsity wrestling at Independence tourney, 2 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls and boys basketball at Kee High, JV at 4 p.m., varsity at 6:15 p.m.



NH/TV girls find success on mat in busy opening week

Chickasaws pick up dual-meet victory at Central; Thronkson, Glaser, O'Brian, Bass, Trende place in top-eight at tournament

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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Twenty-seven teams – two of them top-five finishers at last February's state tournament – highlighted a loaded field at the Independence Tournament on Saturday.

Two returning state qualifying Chickasaw wrestlers – New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Sophie Glaser and Kelly Thronkson – proved they're going to encounter much success this winter if all goes as planned for Caleb Ciavarelli's bunch in 2024-2025.

Glaser (135) and Thronkson (145) each placed fourth in their respective weight classes in the start to the season last week, which featured a dual win on Tuesday at Alburnett.

"If you can make it to the gold bracket and place top eight at the Independence Tournament, that's a great way to start the season. They definitely performed pretty well," said Ciavarelli.

Glaser, who went 30-19 as a freshman middleweight and came oh so close to cracking the quarterfinal round of eight at state in 2024, pinned her way in three matches to the 135-pound semis at Indee

where she faced Lily Stough of Waverly-Shell Rock. Stough, who placed seventh at state last year and went 33-5, won by major decision (9-1) over Glaser in an attempt to crack the finals. Glaser would win her consolation match after her first loss of the weekend – a quick pin over Kennedy Bevans of Independence in 1:30. Glaser lost her third-place match to returning state qualifier Brielle Parke of Linn-Mar by fall in 43 seconds.

Thronkson (145 pounds), wrestling at the same weight she did last winter as a sophomore where she went 23-16, worked two falls to advance to the semis. Once there she took on Chloe Sanders of Vinton-Shellsburg – a third-place state finisher at 130 pounds last year. Sanders pinned Thronkson in 36 seconds. Thronkson, like Glaser, bounced back in her next match with a 4-0 decision over Charlene Prazak of Mason City. Luisa Meade of Cedar Rapids Prairie – a returning state qualifier – stuck Thronkson in the third-place bout in 1:45.

Chickasaw sophomore Taelynn Bass exacted revenge on Alburnett's Josie McGraw at 105 pounds. McGraw had pinned Bass on Tuesday in the Pirates'

triangular in 1:29 – a dual Alburnett won 48-29 over NH/TV. The second time around, Bass worked her magic to a stunning reversal of fortune as she put McGraw on her back on Saturday at Indee in the fifth-place match and earned a fall.

Ciavarelli was happy about Tuesday's triangular as NH/TV won its first match of the year over Central Elkader, 36-12. Despite losing to the host Pirates, NH/TV won four out of the seven matches that didn't involve forfeits.

"I really thought that we held position well when we were wrestling. The first competition you're always going to have some mistakes and things like that," said Ciavarelli.

NH/TV placed 15th overall at Independence, which was won by Osage (369.5 points). The Chickasaws were able to muster up 142 points.

Incoming freshman Drey O'Brien (110 pounds) placed eighth and came up with two pins at Indee. She also stuck Hallie Portwood of Alburnett in Tuesday's dual in 1:08.

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before she moves on Friday to Marion. We will certainly miss her enthusiasm and fun personality, but wish her well as she moves on to the next phase of her life as a retired nun. God bless you Sister.

Karen Schmitt, Secretary

Chickasaw
Women's Pool

Week 8 Nov. 20

	W	L	GB
Kenny's Tavern II	43	29	0
Dak's Tap I	41	31	2
NH Country Club	39	33	4
Kenny's Tavern I	38	34	5
Bowlaway Lanes	36	36	7
Hide A Way	36	36	7
The Office	32	40	11
Dak's Tap II	23	49	20

RESULTS

Kenny's Tavern II 5,
Kenny's Tavern I 4
Bowlaway Lanes 5,
Dak's Tap I 4
Hide A Way 5, The Office 4

NH Country Club 5,
Dak's Tap II 4

THREE-GAME
WINNERS

Bowlaway Lanes - Krissy
Anderson & Ann Crook
NH Country Club - Staci
Vrzak & Jess McCabe

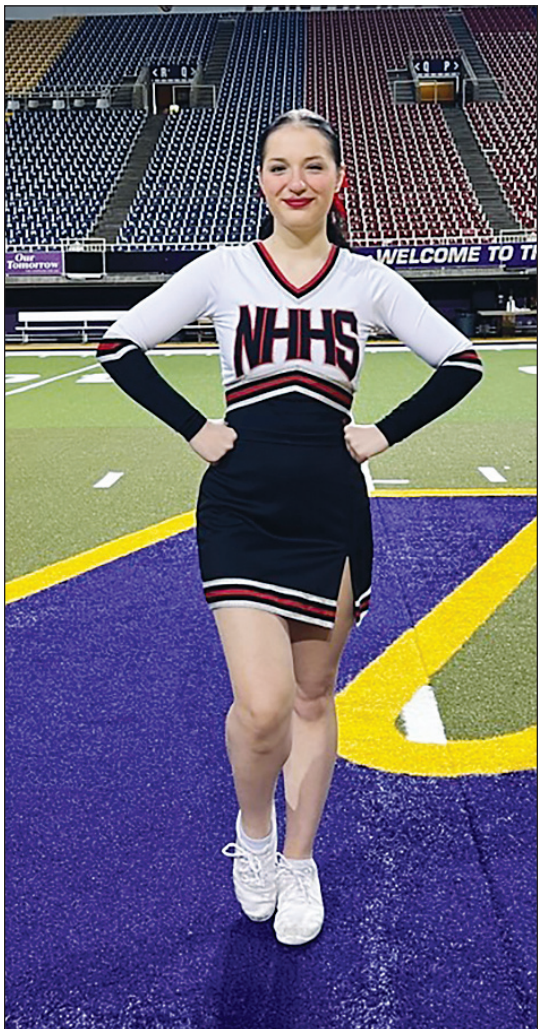


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Representing at state football finals!

New Hampton chain gang members (above, from left) Jordan Moore, Cindy Moore (filling in for Brian Schmitt), Kristi Manson and Lanette Pint pose for a photo before working the sidelines for both the Class 1A and 4A state championship games at the UNI-Dome last Thursday.

The chain gang members weren't the only Chickasaws representing New Hampton during championship week as Miale Schmitz was part of the 200-strong Iowa Honor Cheer Squad that performed at halftime of Friday's championship games.



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Chickasaws’ coach says it’s a ‘good start to the season’

NH/TV: FROM 11

Freshmen 235-pounders Ava Trende (seventh place) and Kaidance Hall (10th) also found success in their brackets with a couple pins apiece. Trende stuck Payge Steger of West Dubuque in her seventh-place match in 4:24. Hall’s final pin of the day came against Emerson Reimers of Iowa City West in the consolation round by a time of just 48 seconds.

“It was a good start to the season and we’re looking forward to December when it gets busy,” said Ciavarelli.

NH/TV will head back to the mat next Thursday and Friday at the Dan Gable Donnybrook at Xtream Arena in Coralville.

ALBURNETT 48,
NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY 29
235 - Ava Trende (NHTV) won by forfeit.

100 - Carlyn McGraw (A) pinned Addison Neville, 1:43. 105 - Josie McGraw (A) pinned Taelynn Bass, 1:29. 110 - Drey O’Brien (NHTV) pinned Hallie Portwood, 1:08. 115 - Jassey Carter (A) pinned Vanessa Salas, 3:32. 120 - Juliana Burds (A) won by forfeit. 125 - Kaitlyn Krohse (A) won by forfeit.

130 - Harper Humpal (NHTV) pinned Natalie Krohse, 3:29. 135 - Sophie Glaser (NHTV) tech. fall Bella Lebeda, 18-0. 145 - Kelly Thronsdon (NHTV) pinned Zoe Steen, 1:32. 155 - Marie Candler (A) won by forfeit. 170 - Bree McCusker (A) won by forfeit. 190 - Mya Heather (A) won by forfeit.

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY 36,
CENTRAL ELKADER 12
100 - Neville (NHTV) won by forfeit. 105 - Bass (NHTV) won by forfeit. 110 - O’Brien (NHTV) pinned Brynn Meyer, 5:36. 115 - Salas (NHTV) won by forfeit. 130 - Reese Berns (C) pinned Humpal, 1:52.

135 - Mayleigh Medberry (C) pinned Glaser, 5:06. 145 - Thronsdon (NHTV) pinned Crystal Goodrich, 2:22. 235 - Trende (NHTV) won by forfeit.

INDEPENDENCE GIRLS INVITATIONAL TEAM SCORES

Osage 369.5, Cedar Rapids Prairie 341.5, East Buchanan 303.5, Waverly-Shell Rock 298, Cedar Rapids Kennedy 257, Linn-Mar 250.5, Mason City 245, Independence 225, Vinton-Shellsburg 209, West Delaware 189, Western Dubuque 173, Sumner-Fredericksburg 163, Solon 154, North Scott 143, NH/TV 142, Alburnett 137.5, Marion 134, Iowa City West 130, West Liberty 114.5, Williamsburg 112.5, Waterloo West 100, Clear Creek-Amana 91, Denver 62.5, Oelwein 52, Louisa-Muscatine 42, Union 21, Cascade 15.

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100 - Neville placed 13th. Round 3 - Piper Phillips (MC) pinned Neville, 1:48. Cons. Round 1 - Eva Fulk (MC) pinned Neville, 3:46. Cons. Round 2 - Neville pinned Sydnee Debrower (ALB), 5:03. Cons. Round 3 - Kaylin Goodwin (Linn-Mar) pinned Neville, 3:53. 13th Place Match - Neville pinned Aylla Karahodkic (WW), 2:28.

105 - Bass placed 5th. Quarterfinal - Kara VeDepo (SOL) pinned Bass, 0:36. Cons. Round 2 - Bass pinned Emma Staebler (CCA), 4:45. Cons. Round 3 - Marie Burns (CRP) pinned Bass, 5:22. 5th Place Match - Bass pinned McGraw (ALB), 1:00.

110 - O’Brien placed 8th. Round 1 - O’Brien pinned Jersey Naughton (ICW), 2:17. Round 3 - O’Brien pinned Anya Rivera (WILL), 1:13. Quarterfinal - McKenna Rogers (SOL) pinned O’Brien, 1:17. Cons. Round 2 - Kammie Gleiter (WW) dec. O’Brien, 9-7. 7th Place Match - Sophia Hurley (INDEE) pinned O’Brien, 0:37.

115 - Salas placed 15th. Round 1 - Salas dec. Xuvia Stevenson (ICW), 5-0. Round 3 - Gable Hermann (O) pinned Salas, 0:45. Cons. Round 1 - Ella Als (MC) pinned Salas, 1:31. Cons. Round 2 - Abagayle Albert (CRP) pinned Salas, 5:49. 15th Place Match - Salas maj. dec. Olivia Tobin-Post (CASC), 11-2.

135 - Glaser placed fourth. Round 2 - Glaser pinned Carly Maternach (CASC), 0:57. Round 3 - Glaser pinned Alexis Anderson, 2:06. Quarterfinal - Glaser pinned Tori Hansen

(LM), 0:45. Semifinal - Lilly Stough (WSR) maj. dec. Glaser, 9-1. Cons. Round 3 - Glaser pinned Kennedi Bevans (INDEE), 1:30. 3rd Place Match - Brielle Parke (Linn-Mar) pinned Glaser, 0:43.

145 - Thronsdon placed fourth. Round 3 - Thronsdon pinned Brystal Parsons (NS), 0:26. Quarterfinal - Thronsdon pinned Aubrey Chapman (O), 4:21. Semifinal - Chloe Sanders (VS) pinned Thronsdon, 0:36. Cons. Round 3 - Thronsdon dec. Charlene Prazak (MC), 4-0. 3rd Place Match - Luisa Meade (CRP) pinned Thronsdon, 1:45.

235 - Trende placed 7th. Round 3 - Trende pinned Emerson Reimers (ICW), 0:18. Quarterfinal - Emelia Reyes (CRP) dec. Trende, 6-2. Cons. Round 2 - Addison Frerer (NS) pinned Trende, 1:44. 7th Place Match - Trende pinned Payge Steger (WDUB), 4:24.

235 - Kaidance Hall placed 10th. Round 3 - Sage Dzeladini (NS) pinned Hall, 0:53. Cons. Round 1 - Hall pinned Joslynn Dvorak (WW), 0:16. Cons. Round 2 - Hall pinned Reimers (ICW), 0:48. 9th Place Match - Gracelynn McCarthy (WDUB) pinned Hall, 1:41.



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