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## Sheriff asks supervisors for one more deputy

Shawver tells board members that additional officer would reduce time a deputy is working alone

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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Chickasaw County Sheriff Ryan Shawver says he understands the costs, but he also believes that adding another deputy to his staff would present a win-win situation.

First, it would give the county more times in which it had at least two deputies patrolling the county, and second,

it would help the Sheriff's Office better serve the residents that need it the most.

Shawver made his pitch to add an additional deputy when he presented his proposed fiscal year 2025-26 budget during Monday's Board of Supervisors meeting Monday. Board members went into closed session "to avoid discussion of specific law enforcement matters, such as current

or proposed investigations or inspection or auditing techniques or schedules, which if disclosed would enable law violators to avoid detection."

But during an interview following the meeting, Shawver shared — in general terms — the reason behind his proposal.

"It would reduce the number of hours when a deputy potentially is working alone," Shawver said. "So

we're trying to reduce those number of

hours. I don't want to get into the specifics of how many hours that can be, but it's enough that it is concerning and it's a big retention tool as well."

The Sheriff's Office currently has 10 sworn officers. Shawver said he, Chief Deputy Zach Nosbisch and

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Jail Administrator Jordan Gansen work Monday-through-Friday schedules, which leaves seven deputies in what he called

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## Board gives final blessing to county's TIF ordinance

Supervisors OK second reading, waive the third

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors Monday removed the final hurdle to using tax-increment financing (TIF) to fund millions of dollars of projects when board members unanimously approved the final readings of an ordinance that provides for the "division of revenues" from property taxes collected from the Chickasaw Wind Farm.

The action came on Monday, the first of two days of meetings for county leaders that were heavy on budget presentations but included other items not directly tied to the county's 2025-26 fiscal year budget.

Chief among them was approving an ordinance that will allow the county to collect the additional taxes generated by the increased property values created by wind farm parcels "be paid to a special fund for payment on loans, monies advanced to and indebtedness, including bonds issued or to be issued, incurred by the county in connection with the CWEC urban renewal plan."

Board members last week approved the urban renewal plan and the first reading of the ordinance that could lead to major road projects, updating the Secondary Roads shop, the replacement of a Chickasaw County Conservation Board storage building, renovating the current Sheriff's Office building and the construction of an adjacent 24-hour holding facility to replace the county's antiquated jail.

But in order for an ordinance to "become law," it needs to have three readings and during the Jan. 7 meeting, supervisors decided not to waive the subsequent readings and bring the ordinance back up for consideration at Monday's meeting.

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

## A halftime show featuring one of the state's best!

New Hampton High School junior Kylee Junk performs her state placewinning individual dance during halftime of Monday night's boys basketball game between the Chickasaws and Kee High. Last month, Junk finished eighth in the individual competition at the Iowa State Dance and Drill Team Association Championships that featured 75 of the best dancers in the state.

## Chamber ready to celebrate

New-Horizons to hold a 'gala' event in March

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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It's been years since New Horizons-Chamber has held an annual meeting, but that's going to change this year.

Granted, it may not be an annual meeting per se; instead, the chamber is going to hold a "gala" to celebrate the year that was and the year that is to be.

"We'd love to just get our members together and have a fun night and celebrate what we're doing," New Horizons-Chamber Director Liz Zweibohmer said. "It's just something I think would be great as we get ready for another great year."

Although the final details for the gala are not set in stone, it will be held on Friday, March 7, at the New Hampton Golf and Country Club. Zweibohmer said she envisions having a cocktail hour starting at 5, a prime rib dinner around 6, the handing out of awards, the naming of the 2025 Heartland Days Parade grand marshals, but mostly, a chance for chamber members to get together and enjoy a fun evening.

"We kind of picked March to hopefully not have to worry about the weather," she said, "and it gets us past the sports season, too. When we first started to look at dates, it's crazy how busy the [school] schedule is and we wanted to have a date where we won't be up against an event."

She said more details would be coming out in the near future.

During an interview last Friday, Zweibohmer said she was happy with how the chamber's holiday events went and that chamber members are currently working on their next big event, Heartland Days.

"I know it seems like a long way off,"

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Photos courtesy of Justin Adam

New Hampton High School sophomore Skyler Bugenhagen (above) and senior Dylan Carter (right) take part in a day-long honor band rehearsal on Saturday.

## New Hampton students enjoy another honor band experience

For a second straight year, Bugenhagen, Carter get chance to perform with jazz band students from around Northeast Iowa

By **BOB FENSKE**  
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New Hampton High School Band members Dylan Carter and Skyler Bugenhagen laughed when asked what it was like to put in a 12-hour "band day" on Saturday.

And the two standout musicians agreed on one point — they were sore after spending the day in Cedar Rapids with the Northeast Iowa Band Association Honor Band.

"My lips were sore, I'm not going to lie," said Carter, a senior trombone player. "You play that long, it's going to hurt."

Bugenhagen nodded her

head in agreement. The sophomore percussionist played a lot of congas during the rehearsal and subsequent concert.

"My hands definitely felt it," she said with a laugh. "You get used to it, but with honor bands, when they're done, you definitely feel it."

Welcome to the world of honor bands, which are music intensive. And that's putting it mildly.

Carter, a senior, and Bugenhagen, a sophomore, can attest to that.

The two New Hampton students were selected to perform with the Northeast Iowa

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# County assessor takes over as president of state association

Chickasaw County Assessor Ray Armel was recently sworn in as president of the Iowa State Association of Assessors (ISAA).

"I'm honored to be able to help guide our association," Armel said in a recent interview.



Armel

"I'm kind of the liaison between our association and the director of Revenue and Finance. I will work directly with the Department of Revenue and Finance on matters of policy and procedures and guidelines for our association and for assessors for performing their jobs."

He said that he will work closely with the association's Executive Board, which is made up of one member from each of the association's eight districts.

Asked if these are "challenging" times for assessors right now, Armel said that "with all the talk in the last couple of years and the ongoing talk coming up in the State Legislature, yes."

Armel started his career in 1978 as a Polk County appraiser. Later, from 1986 to 1999, he served as Fayette County asses-

sor. In 1999, he left the Fayette County position and started his own appraisal business in West Union.

Armel was then hired in 2012 by Chickasaw County Assessor Doug Welton as chief deputy. Upon Welton's retirement in 2018, he was appointed Chickasaw County assessor. He has served on numerous committees through the years including, legislative, exemption and credits, manual and forms, and education.

Armel was elected by the ISAA statewide membership as vice president two years ago, before being named president elect last year.

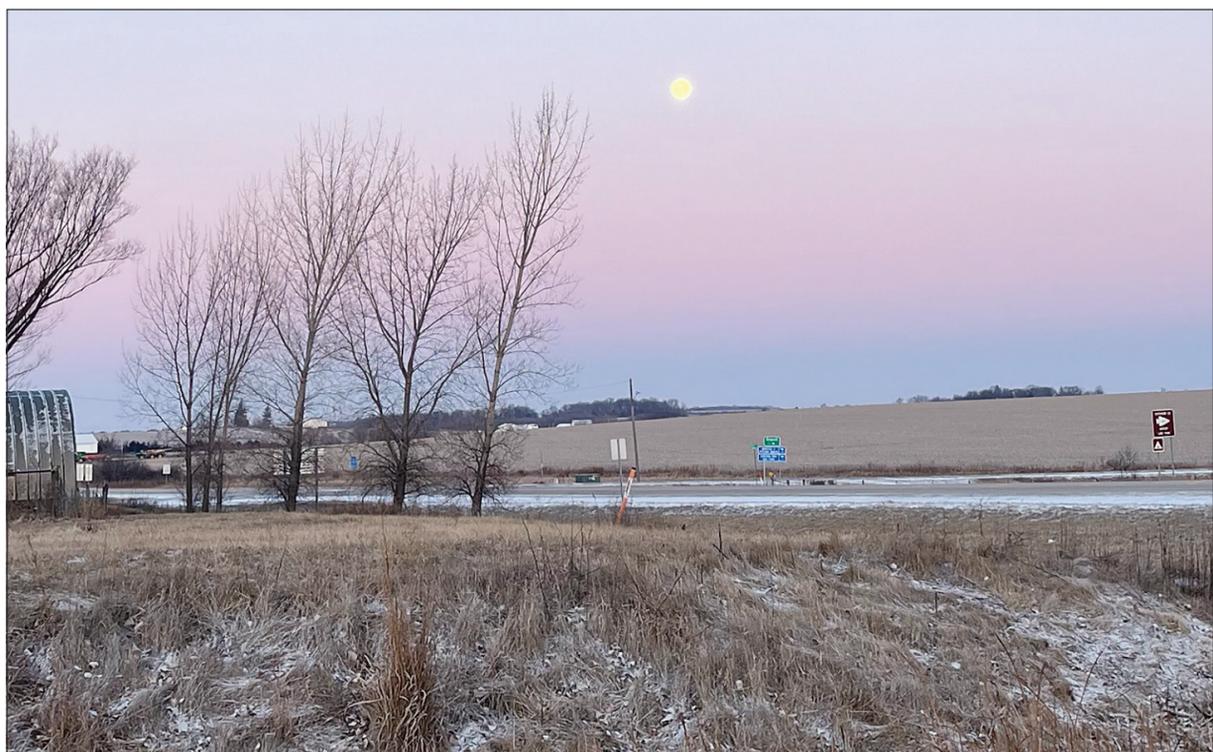
The ISAA membership is comprised of all assessors and deputy assessors.

The mission of the organization is to promote excellence in property valuation by providing fair and equitable assessments for property owners and local governments in the state of Iowa.

Armel is also a well-known sports official in Iowa, working sports ranging from volleyball to football to basketball to track and field to softball.

Last spring, he was one of the eight starters named to work the state track meet in Des Moines.

— Bob Fenske



Bob Fenske/Tribune

## A morning 'bed time' for the moon

As Tribune Editor Bob Fenske began his day around 7:30 on Tuesday morning, he caught this photo of an almost full moon just off the Highway 18 bypass on New Hampton's west side. An hour later, the moon "set" on what turned out to be a sunny, albeit frigid, day.

## It will feel like winter, but it probably won't look like it

If you thought it was cold earlier in the week, you haven't seen anything yet but snow remains elusive in Northeast Iowa

BY BOB FENSKE  
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It's a strange looking map, one that has actually "improved" a little since last week.

But there we are, in our little corner of Northeast Iowa, with no snow cover. And there's Kentucky, far to the south of us, with snow blanketing much of the state.

Heck, last week, a good chunk of Minnesota and almost all of Wisconsin didn't have snow cover while Atlanta, in the Deep South, did.

Still, for those of us who love winter with its chance to ride snowmobiles, go on a hike through snow-covered woods and maybe even do a little cross-country skiing, let's be honest: The winter of 2024-25 — so far at least — has been one giant dud.

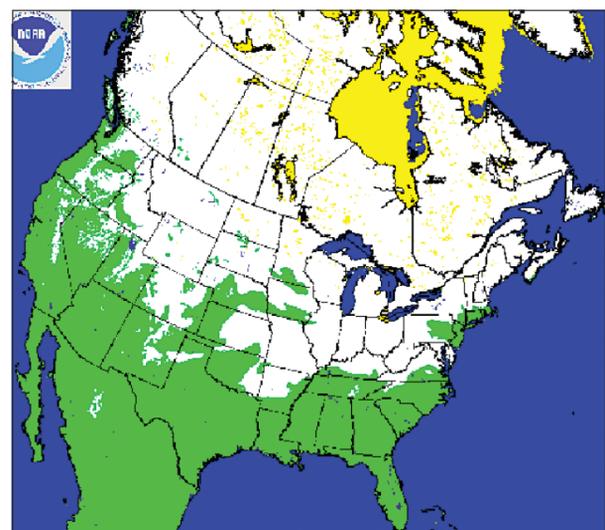
According to the National Weather Service, New Hampton has received just 3.6 inches of snow this season, and while we're coming off a relatively light season of snowfall in 2023-24, when just 17 inches of snow fell, it seems strange that "Hotlanta" has recorded more snowfall than New Hampton, right?

No late starts, no early-outs and certainly no snow days, New Hampton school students, for example, have to be feeling pretty jipped these days.

For those of us, however, who despise winter driving, it's been absolutely beautiful.

But trust us, it's going to feel a lot like winter this weekend and early into next week as Mother Nature seems to be bi-polar these days.

After recording overnight



Bob Fenske/Tribune and the National Weather Service: A little snow covers spots on Main Street (left) on a cold Tuesday morning but as the latest "snow cover" map (above) shows, we still are officially without snow cover while points far to the south can't make the same claim.

low temperatures below zero earlier this week, we're going to warm up considerably by Friday, when the high temperature, or so forecasters say, could be in the 40s. It's not going to last folks; in fact, if you thought it was cold earlier this week, well, you haven't seen anything yet.

Temperatures will nosedive, beginning Friday afternoon and overnight lows could drop into the double digits — below zero, style — on both Sunday and Monday nights.

The big snowstorm, it appears, though is going to remain elusive, for the short term at least.

And that means the prayers offered up by Nate Sinnwell and his fellow Nashua Park Board members went unanswered.

Sinnwell serves as president of the board that is putting together its annual Winterfest event on Saturday with a variety of activities at Nashua's Cedar View Park and throughout Chickasaw County's second largest city.

That means Winterfest events like snowshoeing and the sledding hill are — barring a miracle — off the table.

"At least we'll have ice," Sinnwell said, "and that's better

than last year [when the event was canceled because of warm temperatures and no snow]. Even if we don't get snow, we're still going to have a lot of fun events — both indoors and outdoors — so we're excited to have it."

The event includes a free-throw shooting contest at the Husky Wellness Center at 10 a.m., hot cocoa and ice fishing out at the park, beginning at 11 a.m., a darts tournament at 11 a.m., a kite launch at the park at noon, curling on the lake at 1 p.m., a bags tournament (1 p.m.) and Bingo (4 p.m.) at the Nashua Town and County Club and a pool tournament at Big Willie's, beginning at 7 p.m.

## New Horizons gearing up for annual Heartland Days event

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she said, "but it really isn't. Our committee will really get to work here soon, and we're excited for another really big year for what is the biggest weekend of the year in New Hampton."

She said the bands — country's Tyler Richton and the High Bank Brothers on Friday and Not Quite Brothers on Saturday — have been booked for months and that maybe the biggest change in planning for New Hampton's annual festival is that more "sub-committees" will

be set up to help alleviate some of the work load.

"There's so much going on in getting ready and during the weekend itself," she said.

"We want to keep growing this and I think this will really help."

### Briefs

#### State senator to hold series of town hall meetings in coming weeks

State Sen. Sandy Salmon, R-Janesville, has announced a schedule of town hall meetings she will hold in coming week.

Salmon will meet with constituents, discuss the 2025 Iowa Legislature session that kicked off this week and take questions and comments during the meetings.

Salmon represents District 29, which includes all of Chickasaw, Butler and Bremer counties and most of Floyd County.

Among her town hall meetings scheduled are:

- Saturday, Jan 25, from 11 a.m. to noon at the Floyd County Museum in Charles City.
- Saturday, Feb. 1, 11 a.m. to noon at the New Hampton Public Library.
- Saturday, Feb. 8, 11 a.m. to noon at the Gateway to Northeast Iowa Welcome Center in Nashua.
- Saturday, Feb. 22, 11 a.m. to noon at the Upham Memorial Library in Fredericksburg.

#### Volunteers needed at Turkey Valley for large-group speech contest

Turkey Valley High School is in search of volunteers to help as they host the Iowa High School Speech Association's Large Group District Speech Contest on Saturday Jan. 25.

Twenty-three area schools and hundreds of students and spectators will visit the school and volunteers are needed for several positions — including the concession stand, room chairs, timers, and many more.

Please follow this link <https://bit.ly/4gqVJ3g> to sign up. If you have questions, please reach out to Michelle Nystel at [mnystel@turkey-v.k12.ia.us](mailto:mnystel@turkey-v.k12.ia.us).

#### Cowboy Poetry tickets on sale for Jan 24-25 shows in Lawler

Wanting to get the word out earlier this year, the Lawler Lions Club is announcing the date for its Cowboy Music, Humor & Storytelling event.

On Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24 and 25, the Starlite Ballroom in Lawler will host the gathering, which promises "cowboy poetry, stories and music through the eyes of working cowboys and ranchers who live the life they portray."

Three performers — R.P. Smith, Bonnie Krogman and Brooke Turner — will put on the show.

It's the 19th year for the event that has raised thousands of dollars for local organizations and causes, with this year's funds to benefit the Chickasaw County Firefighters' Association Honor Guard.

Organizers are asking for a \$30 donation for the bash, which includes a Swiss steak dinner. Only advance tickets are sold, they are available at Bank Iowa, Fidelity Bank & Trust, Luana Savings Bank, First Citizens Bank and Security State Bank.

Shows each day are at 7:15 p.m., with the meal at 6 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m. For more information call Carla Dreckman at 563-238-3861 or email [carla.dreckman@yahoo.com](mailto:carla.dreckman@yahoo.com).

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# Honor bands give students great musical experience

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Bandmasters Association's Class 1A/2A Honor Jazz Band that performed along with Class 3A and Class 4A bands at Coe College in Cedar Rapids. But the kicker is this: They rehearsed all day.

It marked the second straight year that the New Hampton duo has been selected to the NEIBA Jazz Honor Band.

"It is a long day, honor bands always are," Bugenhagen said, "but what I really like about it is you get to know people from other schools and you get to hang around people that have the same passion for music that you do."

Carter agreed. "That's a big part of why I like going to honor bands," he said. "Everyone's into music there. It's a lot of work, but it's a lot of fun, too."

Asked what makes the two students shine musically, New Hampton Band Director Justin Adam said both are "really interesting, unique" students.

"Both of them have really good 'ears' in that they can pick things they hear up quick and play them, they know if things sound good or not, and they just have great musical ideas when they make things up," he said. "They're both really hard working and practice a lot. They're just really fun to watch as they learn and grow as musicians."

Carter, who is blind, overcomes the challenge by reading music in Braille, but those "ears" Adam was referring to serve him well, too.

"I can hear something and for the most part, I can play it," he said. "I can play it by ear is what I'm trying to say."

Both students are also versatile when it comes to the instruments they play. In addition to the trombone that is his chief instrument, Carter ticked off a host of other instruments — ranging from the trumpet to the tuba to the bass guitar, just to name a few — he feels comfortable playing. Ditto for Bugenhagen.

"Obviously with percussion, you're playing a lot of different things, but the piano, the guitar, I love those, too," she said.

For Adam, honor bands come down to what he called "opportunities."

He pointed out that students get to work with a "guest director." On Saturday, that meant they got a chance to play under the direction of Kelly Weber, a teacher from Ankeny and who Adam called "an amazing bassist" who performs with groups like the



Bob Fenske/Tribune

## Pepping up the crowd!

Members of the New Hampton High School Pep Band play a song in between the boys and girls basketball games on Monday night.

Iowa Women's Jazz Orchestra. They also took part in a clinic with the 4A band's guest director Marques Carroll, a professional trumpet player and teacher from the Chicago area.

"With honor bands, they get to have musical experiences beyond what they're used to in our band here at home," he said. "It's not just the music either, but it's the friends they make. It was really fun to have them walk in and say hi to kids they met last year from schools that aren't even close to ours."

And they're not done yet as they will join fellow New Hampton Band members Karla Pickar and Adam Goebel in the Northern Festival of Bands that takes place Feb. 13-15 at the University of Northern Iowa and ends with a concert at the Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center.

"I'm really excited," Carter said, "and not just because we get to miss school. I like our band here obviously, but it's cool to play with other kids, to have different directors and to meet people who love band like I do."



Photo courtesy of Iowa House of Representatives

Iowa Rep. Charley Thomson, R-Charles City, signs his oath of office papers on the first day of the 2025 session of the Iowa Legislature. Thomson, who was re-elected to a second term, is the chair of the Government Oversight Committee and will also serve on the Commerce, Public Safety and Judiciary committees, as well as the Administration and Regulation Budget Subcommittee.

# Reynolds makes her case for 2025 legislative priorities

By Robin Opsahl  
Iowa Capital Dispatch

Gov. Kim Reynolds, delivering her Condition of the State message Tuesday, said the state needs to take action on disaster recovery in the wake of 2024 floods and tornadoes, in addition to laying out policies she said can help address Iowa's workforce shortages in child care and health care.

It's Reynolds' eighth time giving the speech as governor and her first time addressing the Legislature with supermajorities in both chambers following another election cycle of GOP victories in Iowa. Though Reynolds highlighted the victories achieved with the Republican trifecta on reducing taxes and making changes to Iowa's education system, much of her address Tuesday focused on the efforts and community support shown by Iowans across the state in the wake of major natural disasters.

Iowa dealt with a series of major disasters in 2024: tornadoes hit towns including Greenfield and Minden in April and May, and major swaths of northwest and north-central Iowa were severely flooded in June. Biden declared three presidential major disaster declarations for the natural disasters that destroyed more than 5,500 homes in the state and caused an estimated \$335 million in infrastructure damages.

As Iowa communities faced the disasters and long recovery process, Reynolds said it was "inspiring" to see the massive response from people across the state and country to help those in need.

"I'll never forget the devastation and heartbreak," Reynolds said. "But I also witnessed Iowans lifting each other up. Volunteers clearing debris, residents comforting neighbors and local officials and first responders working around the clock. Many of whom had their own homes or businesses destroyed, yet they put others first."

The governor has already launched multiple programs in collaboration with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to help Iowans find temporary housing and rebuild impacted homes, but called for new legislation to further help residents and businesses in disaster-affected areas.

Her proposal includes \$13.6 million in disaster aid through the Economic Emergency Fund, including \$11.6 million for home rehabilitation programs and \$2 million to the Nuisance Property and Abandoned Building Fund for aid to local communities seeking to tear down buildings beyond repair in impacted areas. The legislation would also authorize the Iowa Finance Authority and Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management to set up a "Safeguarding Tomorrow Revolving Loan Fund" in preparation for future disasters.

The legislation will also include other policies, like adjustments to certain insurance regulations and giving the governor authority to transfer emergency funds during disasters, in response to issues that arose during the 2024 flooding and tornadoes.

Reynolds thanked volunteers, leaders and state and local workers who responded to the disasters across the state,

several of whom were in attendance at the Tuesday speech.

"You represent so many others across the state who demonstrated the strength, compassion and determination that defines Iowa," she told the group.

### Cancer research

Reynolds also discussed more personal events, including her husband Kevin Reynolds' lung cancer diagnosis, which remains in remission. Her husband is not the only leader at the Statehouse battling with cancer, she added, saying that Senate Majority Leader Jack Whitver has been a "powerful example of service, leadership and grace" as he received treatment for a brain tumor.

The governor related these two diagnoses to a larger trend in the state.

"Every case of cancer is a tragedy," Reynolds said. "And I'm concerned by the data showing that these tragedies disproportionately affect Iowans."

To find out the reason behind the state's high and growing cancer rates, Reynolds asked the Legislature for \$1 million to fund a new partnership between the state Health and Human Services department and the University of Iowa to research behavioral, genetic and environmental factors contributing to Iowa cancer cases.

"Iowans don't need more speculation — they need answers," she said.

### Fewer partisan proposals

In previous years, the legislation Reynolds named as top priorities in the Condition of the State were controversial measures — last year, a version of her proposal making major changes to the state's Area Education Agencies — the entities that provide services for students with disabilities — was passed by the Legislature after lengthy negotiations between the two chambers, combined with her proposal to raise teachers' salaries. The year before, Reynolds was able to move the state's Education Savings Account (ESA) program forward, providing public funding for private school tuition and associated costs, after years of failing to reach a consensus.

Many of the governor's 2025 legislative proposals are not issues likely to garner major pushback, and are topics both Democrats and Republicans have called for state action on. She urged the Legislature to pass a hands-free driving bill — something that has repeatedly failed to make it to her desk despite bipartisan support in previous sessions. The proposal would prohibit drivers from using handheld electronic devices behind the wheel.

She also called for schools and school districts to adopt cellphone policies that, at minimum, prohibit the use of the devices during instruction time. Her proposal follows the Biden administration's December recommendation for schools to set cell phone use policies.

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## Briefs

### Movie Monday at the library

With no school scheduled for students because of a professional development day, the New Hampton Public Library will hold a "Movie Monday."

The film "Garfield" will be shown starting at 1 p.m., and there is no admission charge to attend the event.

### Hawkeye graduates

The following are area Hawkeye Community College fall semester graduates and their programs of study.

Fort Atkinson: Anna Dietzenbach - Precision Agriculture, CERT; General Agriculture, DIPL; Ag Business Management, AAS, Alison Leibold - Precision Agriculture, CERT (honors).

Fredericksburg: Michael DeSloover - Paramedic, CERT (honors); Emergency Medical Services, AAS (honors).

Ionia: Rachel Rincken - Liberal Arts, AA; Marketing Management, AAS.

Nashua: Keegan Ulrichs - Natural Resources Aide, CERT; Jakob Whiting - Natural Resources Aide, CERT.

New Hampton: Erica Schmitt - Practical Nursing, DIPL; Lisa Thiele - Early Childhood Education, CERT (high honors).

Plainfield: Emily Devries - Natural Resources Aide, CERT (pres-

idential honors).

Protivin: Tristan Pullman - Natural Resources Aide, CERT.

Waucoma: Becca Farrell - Associate Degree Nursing, AAS (honors).

### NICC graduates

A list of students that graduated from Northeast Iowa Community College in the fall 2024 semester was recently released. Area students include:

Fort Atkinson - Addyson Einwalter, Ashley Fischer, Kannon Leuenberger.

Fredericksburg - Cally Mueller.

New Hampton - Michelle Adams, Ashley Hammer, Jane Kolthoff, Kacee Schwickerath.

St. Lucas - Olivia Maklenburg.

### Wartburg dean's list

Wartburg College recently announced the names of the 554 students who were named to the dean's list for the fall semester.

Local students include:

New Hampton: Josette Knutson, Ali Russler and Zoe Worple.

Sumner: Bryce Bergman, Lexi Cahoy, Trace Meyer, Julia Morales and Nora Schellhorn.

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Father Jim Goerend

**Mass:** Saturday, 6 p.m.

# Life is like a puzzle

As we put together our own personal 'puzzle,' God is always with us

*"And we know all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose."*

— **Romans 8:28**

Happy New Year! The past few years have certainly brought us great opportunities along with many challenges; however, I have my eyes, heart, and mind fixed on a brighter and healthier year! There were certainly lessons I learned throughout my journey these last few years that I hope to utilize in the new year.

Over the past years, you and I have been stretched perhaps more than ever before. From embracing new ways of going about our everyday lives while reimagining just about everything.

Life began to feel like a massive puzzle at times where some pieces fell into place easily, some tried to force but wouldn't fit, and perhaps for some we are still searching for that missing piece.

One activity that became very popular during days of lockdown was working jigsaw puzzles. Maybe you received a puzzle for Christmas, and you are ready to get started or have already completed!

Imagine with me if you will, a massive puzzle, as in a 9,000-piece puzzle

being emptied out onto the table. For me it looks like chaos as the pieces are sorted through. If you are not a puzzle enthusiast, it could cause one to feel defeated before beginning.

However, I feel there's much to learn about puzzles and applying it to. Each piece looks different with their unique interlocking shape yet each one is equally significant when they interlock.

Sometimes in life you get to be the border pieces, the pieces that are fun and easy to do with clear outcomes and almost immediate results. Sometimes you get to be the last piece of the puzzle that completes a project as in seeing a person come to know Jesus and grow in their walk with confidence. But sometimes you're the centerpiece, you get to do the work that no one else wants to do, that's not always fun or glamorous. It's the work that others left to the side and didn't seem to pick up the pieces but in our heart, we know are necessary to the puzzle.

Throughout the years I believe I have had many more middle pieces than the easy border pieces and certainly fewer moments of being able to place that final piece of the puzzle. I can name seasons that were hard where we picked up different pieces hoping they

would fit in easily but didn't.

As I reflect on my own life, I believe it's the middle pieces I remember the most. Yes, they were hard days, long hours, seemingly unappreciated, family and financial challenges, disappointments, loneliness, and even compassion fatigue that left me feeling emotionally and physically drained.

However, it's when I stop and remember that though those pieces or seasons were hard, they were the most lifechanging and perhaps most significant lessons learned that added value to my calling.

I don't really remember the intensity of the challenges that I faced at that time but what I do remember now was how good God was through the journey. His faithfulness never wavered, and his grace and strength brought us through.

I remember how he helped me and (you) complete the part of the puzzle that we had been tasked with, especially when it was the hard pieces to place in the middle.

I think the most significant moment is where we can reflect and see how we've grown and that one season in life helped prepare us for the next. That those middle pieces, as hard as they



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

were, today had a greater impact on our lives.

We needed stretching and development even though the process wasn't easy at the time but today we can see the value.

Yes, sometimes we are the corner edges, sometimes even the last piece of the puzzle but more often we can be the center pieces trusting that God places opportunity before us.

May 2025 be a year of courage where you take your place at the table facing the opportunities before you. Ask God to give you vision, and strength, and then piece by piece you and I can trust him to use us according to

His will and plans for our lives and for others that we have been called to serve. We are all a part of His beautiful master plan! AMEN!

Where can I go from your Spirit?  
Where can I flee from your presence?  
If I go up to the heavens, you are there;  
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.  
**Psalm 139:7-8**

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## Is Buying A Home Always the Right Move?



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It's widely thought that home ownership is a key to building wealth — but is it? And should you consistently make sacrifices to buy your own home?

Let's start with the first question: Is owning a home essential to building wealth? It would probably be more accurate to say that home ownership can be helpful in building wealth. Building home equity — essentially, the difference between the size of your home's value and what you still owe — is certainly valuable.

Plus, the bigger your equity, the less you might have to take out in a new mortgage if you ever want to buy a different home.

Now for the next question: How much should you sacrifice to buy your own home? This isn't an easy question to answer because buying a home isn't just a financial issue — it's also an emotional one. Many people simply like the feeling of owning a home. If you fall into this category, you might be willing to make many sacrifices to join the ranks of homeowners.

However, if you're relatively young and you are part of a single or even a dual income household, you may well find that your other priorities are more important than home ownership, at least for the moment. These priorities can include paying off student loans, reducing other debts, paying for child care, meeting health care costs and even saving for retirement. With all these expenses, you might not be able to take on a big mortgage, along with real estate taxes, homeowners' insurance and the inevitable but costly repairs that come with owning a home.

In addition to the danger of becoming "house poor" by paying too high a percentage of your income on your mortgage, you could face another issue

by sinking too much money into your home — and that's liquidity. A home is much more illiquid than savings or investment accounts, so if you need money in a hurry, and most of yours was tied up in your home, you might be in a jam. You could tap into your home equity through a loan or a line of credit, but that's basically taking on even more debt, though these loans and credit lines typically offer lower interest rates than other forms of borrowing.

So, here's the bottom line: You don't need to feel that you are missing out on a chance to build wealth by not buying a home immediately — especially if you would feel extremely stretched by the mortgage payments, given how expensive homes are today. You won't hurt yourself — and, in fact, you'll likely help yourself — by taking care of your most pressing priorities first.

Of course, this doesn't mean that you can never become a homeowner. If you would still like to own a home someday, you could start saving for a down payment, keeping the money in a liquid, low-risk account.

Just as importantly, though, you should plan on how owning a home can fit into your budget and how it will affect your cash flow. If you can manage it, you may

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## Welcoming a new chamber member

New Horizons-Chamber officials and New Hampton city leaders pose for a photo with Nazish Khan and Gulfam Baig, the owners of the New Hampton Mart and Vape Shop, before conducting a ribbon-cutting ceremony to welcome the business to the chamber. The store is located at 17 W. Main St. in downtown New Hampton.

## Sheriff says another deputy would serve county well

### SHERIFF: FROM 1

the "rotation."  
"Not that all of us don't take calls," Shawver said during the interview, "but I do think we would be better served, we'd enhance the safety of our officers, with [an additional] deputy."

He said adding an eighth deputy to the rotation would not mean that the county would always have two "rotation deputies" on duty, but it would help reduce the times and also help when deputies are on vacation or off for other reasons.

"Obviously, I'd love to have it so we never had one deputy working alone, but it's part of law enforcement," he said. "Fiscally we can't afford that. Your bigger agencies, it's a different story. You can argue that our call volumes are not there ... but we don't know when these calls are going to come in and what level of threat they're going to be. If we can reduce the number of hours that our staff is working alone, that's key."

Shawver told supervisors that with the additional deputy, along with the 5 percent wage increases for himself and his chief deputy that supervisors approved last week and the 4 percent pay hike called for in the contract with the union that represents deputies and Sheriff's Office staff, his budget proposal calls for about a 17 percent increase in expenditures.

The sheriff readily admitted that he knows it's a big bite to digest for the super-

visors, but he said he "felt the conversation was good. I feel good walking away that I presented enough information for them to look at the numbers. ... Is this something we as a county can sustain? Are there areas in the budget I presented where hey, maybe, I need to look to absorb X amount for this to make it feasible."

He said adding another deputy would reduce the amount of overtime his department has, but he was quick to point out that it wouldn't be enough to offset the entire cost of a new deputy.

"It's one of those things. It's public safety. We're not revenue generating," Shawver said. "The common thing people think is we collect all the money from the speeding tickets and fines, but that goes to the general fund of the state of Iowa."

Shawver said an additional deputy would enhance public safety in the county and said that it would allow his deputies to better serve county residents.

"We all know face-to-face communication is the best," he said. "There's a good chance the deputy is going to be a lot closer than 15, 20 minutes away. ... Their issue at that time is their biggest issue they have going on. So if we can encourage more face-to-face follow-ups, that's huge."

When the closed meeting ended, supervisors were relatively mum on the subject, and instead, board members said — as Board Chairman Jake Hackman put it — they would see how "the budget played

out" before making a decision on Shawver's proposal.

During Shawver's budget presentation, the Board of Supervisors also reached a consensus on the rates it will charge county's cities for contract hours, drive-through service and dispatching services for the city of New Hampton.

Currently, the county has contracts with the county's second- and third-largest cities, Nashua and Fredericksburg, respectively, for law-enforcement services and the county charges those cities \$71.50 per hour for those services. Board members agreed to charge those cities \$75 per hour, an increase of 4.9 percent.

Like Nashua and Fredericksburg, the county's remaining cities, besides New Hampton, do not have their own police departments and the county offers so-called drive-through services to Bassett, Alta Vista, Ionia, Lawler and North Washington and charges a per capita rate based on the 2020 Census figures to those cities. Board members agreed to raise that rate from \$16.50 this year to \$17 next year, an increase of 3.1 percent.

New Hampton, meanwhile, uses the Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center for its police department, and county leaders raised that rate from \$17.33 to \$18 per resident, an increase of 3.9 percent. That would raise the county's largest city fee to increase by almost \$2,400 to \$62,892.

## Supervisors give final approval to TIF ordinance

### SUPERVISORS: FROM 1

"I think with something like this, we should see if we get feedback," Supervisor Scott Cerwinski said during last week's meeting, "and bring it back on Monday and then, if we want to, we can waive the third reading."

That's exactly what happened as board members waived the reading and ordered the ordinance to be published in its two legal newspapers, which means the ordinance will go into effect on Friday after it appears in the Nashua Reporter.

County officials have considered the TIF issue for more than a year, and last fall, the county's TIF Committee recommended that supervisors consider a number of projects that could be financed with the additional property taxes.

- Those included:
- Almost \$9.5 million for road projects for work on V18 from the south city limits of Alta Vista to the Chickasaw County line, reconstruction of North Linn and South Linn and two bridge replacements — one on 170th Street and one on B57.
  - Up to \$750,000 for the replacement of the Conservation Board's storage building located at 2456 Hickory Avenue.
  - Up to \$1.6 million to undertake improvements and/or construct replacement buildings at the Roads Shop that is located at 1990 Mission Ave.
  - And up to \$20 million for the renovation of the current Sheriff's Office building and the construction of an adjacent new 24-hour holding facility.

After the TIF Committee made its findings, Homeland Energy Solutions asked supervisors to include the ethanol plant located between Lawler and New Hampton in the urban-renewal plan so that it could receive almost \$1.18 million in TIF funding over a 10-year period for a \$40 million plant expansion.

But even with the passing of the ordinance on Monday, that



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## Supervisors get carbon pipeline update

Summit Carbon Solutions Stakeholder Relations Manager Kaylee Langrell (left) updates the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors on the proposed carbon pipeline during Tuesday's meeting. Langrell told board members that the company has received an Iowa permit but construction can't begin on the pipeline until South Dakota permits the project. She said the company was still hopeful to begin construction on the pipeline that would run from Iowa through South Dakota and end in North Dakota in 2026. Langrell also said that about 92 percent of the land needed in Chickasaw County has been contracted for and emphasized that Summit Carbon would use eminent domain only as a last resort.

doesn't necessarily mean all the projects will be completed or even that the county will use TIF.

That's because under state law, the county must declare by Dec. 1 each year how much of the additional taxes it will "capture." If it doesn't use the entire amount, those tax revenues will go to the county's General Basic, General Supplemental and Rural Services Basic funds, as well as other taxing entities like school districts that serve those areas.

"We still have a lot of work to do," Board Chairman Jake Hackman said. "This really gives us the option of financing projects — and remember, we can amend a lot of things — with TIF."

In other business conducted over the two days of meetings:

- Board members designated the New Hampton Tribune and the Nashua Reporter as the county's official newspapers.

rarily designated the two papers as the county's official newspapers for legal publications but also declared a "contest" to determine if the Nashua or Fredericksburg paper was the county's second largest and asked publishers from both newspapers to submit documents to determine which had the largest number of circulation within the county.

At the time, supervisors asked the Tribune to provide the same information and asked the newspapers to submit documents by last Friday. While the Tribune and Reporter both did so, Vanguard Publishing Company, the owner of the Fredericksburg paper, did not.

County Attorney David Laudner said supervisors could give Vanguard more time to comply with the request, but when board members learned that officials from the company had been contacted last week, they moved ahead with the official designations.

Supervisors agreed to pay \$6,930.38 to mail out "tax-impact statements" that are required by a state law that went into effect in 2024. Under the law, counties are responsible for gathering tax information from other taxing entities and sending out notices to all property owners in March.

County leaders also ended County Engineer Roman Lensing's months-long search for an engineer technician, when it approved the hiring of Benjamin Schmitt, who will begin work in the Engineer's Office on Jan. 22.

The bulk of the meetings on Monday and Tuesday, though, was taken up with budget presentations from county departments. Among those presenting their 2025-26 budgets were Sheriff Ryan Shawver, County Attorney Laudner, Recorder Shirley Troyna, Treasurer Matt Ysbroad, Public Health Director Lisa Welter, EMS Director Joel Knutson and Lensing.

## Briefs

### Chickasaw County fair royalty application period now open

The Chickasaw County Royalty coordinator is getting an early start searching for candidates to enter the competition for the Chickasaw County Fair Queen, Little Miss and Little Mister titles.

"Our applications are currently open and will close April 30," said Trinity Brincks, who is the county coordinator. "We offer prizes for our littles and scholarships for our queens."

All candidates must reside in Chickasaw County. Queen candidates must be between the ages of 16-21 and little candidates must be between the ages of 5-10 (boys and girls).

Contact Trinity Brincks with questions at diamondrabbity@gmail.com or call 563-237-5122.

### VITA program to help those who qualify with preparing tax returns

If you have limited income and need help preparing and eFiling your tax return, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program may be able to help.

Each year, IRS-certified volunteers serve taxpayers throughout Iowa, providing free help preparing and e-filing basic tax returns. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach trains and supports volunteers at a VITA site located at the Chickasaw County Extension office, providing assistance for low-to-moderate-income taxpayers regardless of age.

VITA is geared toward people who generally make \$67,000 a year or less, have a disability, are elderly, or have limited English skills. These tax prep sites help Iowans take advantage of child care tax credits and the earned income tax credit. The volunteers will also help disabled or elderly individuals complete the application needed to participate in the Iowa Rent Reimbursement program.

Volunteers will be at the Chickasaw County Extension office's new location at 115 N. Broadway in New Hampton Feb. 4, Feb. 11, Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 18, March 25 and April 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call Lynn at 641-394-2174 to schedule a tax preparation appointment.

For more information on this program and how you can help, please contact Lynn Bruess at lbruess@iastate.edu.

### PBS to air highlights from state dance on Monday

For nearly fifty years, the Iowa State Dance Team Championships have showcased the talents of Iowa's young athletes. Iowa PBS will once again provide exclusive coverage of the event, featuring highlights of all the winning routines and busy backstage action.

The 2025 Iowa State Dance Team Championships will premiere on the statewide network Monday, Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. and be rebroadcast Sunday, Jan. 26 at 1 p.m.

The dance championships were held in Des Moines at Wells Fargo Arena and Hy-Vee Hall Dec. 4, 5 and 6. Nearly 5,000 high school and college dance athletes dedicated countless hours of practice in preparation for this championship event.

The two-hour, fast-paced coverage will feature highlights of the winning routines and the bustle of activity behind the scenes.

Teams perform in a variety of categories including pom, jazz, hip-hop, contemporary, kick, lyrical, prop, novelty, color guard and co-ed, as well as a new category this year, the M.I.X. (music interpretation experiment).

During the competition held last month, New Hampton's dance team won a state championship for a fifth consecutive year as it claimed the title in its props division.

Funding for the 2025 Iowa State Dance Team Championships is provided by Friends of Iowa PBS and Musco Lighting. In addition to its statewide broadcast, Iowa PBS .1 is available to livestream on iowapbs.org/watch, pbs.org/livestream, the PBS app, Local Now, YouTube TV and Hulu + Live TV. Iowa PBS programs, behind-the-scenes extras and more can be enjoyed on iowapbs.org, Facebook and YouTube.

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## Forecast

**Thursday:** Partly sunny with a high of 35 and a low of 24.  
**Friday:** Mostly sunny and warm with a high of 40 and a low of 12.  
**Saturday:** Back to reality with mostly sunny skies, a high of 16 and low of 5 below.  
**Sunday:** Sunny and cold with a high of 2 and a low of 10 below.  
**Extended forecast:** We'll still be cold Monday with a high near 0 before we begin a gradual warm up.

## Meetings

### MONDAY

- Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
- New Hampton School Board, 6:30 p.m., High School Family and Consumer Science Room.
- New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

## History

- In 1605, Miguel de Cervantes' novel "El ingenioso hidalgo Don Quixote de la Mancha," better known as "Don Quixote," is published.
- In 1919, the 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, prohibiting the "manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes," is ratified by the requisite number of states and becomes the law of the land.
- In 1969, Muammar al-Qaddafi, the young Libyan army captain who deposed King Idris in September 1969, is proclaimed premier of Libya by the so-called General People's Congress.
- In 1979, faced with an army mutiny and violent demonstrations against his rule, Mohammad Reza Shah Pahlavi, the leader of Iran since 1941, is forced to flee the country.
- In 1991, American and British carrier planes bomb Baghdad, kicking off the Persian Gulf War.

## Birthdays

- Cuban dictator Fulgencio Batista, whose rule ended with his overthrow by Fidel Castro in 1959, was born in 1901.
- American singer and actress Ethel Merman was born in 1908.
- Former Major League Baseball superstar Albert Pujols turns 45.
- English model Kate Moss turns 51.
- Country music singer Ronnie Milsap turns 82.
- Legendary Indy-car driver A.J. Foyt turns 90.

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## Cletus J. Schwickerath, 85

Cletus J. Schwickerath, age 85 of New Hampton, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 2025, at his home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, 2025, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in North Washington with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, North Washington, with Casey Schwickerath, Devon Schwickerath, Beth Schwickerath, Carrie Schwickerath, Josh Holthaus, Jayson Holthaus, Jordan Holthaus, Austin Schwickerath and Josie Schwickerath serving as pallbearers.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, 2025, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there will be a 7 p.m. Parish Scripture Service.

Cletus Joseph Schwickerath — a cherished husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather — passed away peacefully at his home on Jan. 11, 2025, at the age of 85. Born on January 25, 1939, in New Hampton, Cletus was a man of profound wisdom, selflessness and a faith-filled heart that guided him through an admirable life journey.

Educated at St. Mary's Catholic School in North Washington through the eighth grade, Cletus embraced his true calling as a farmer early in life. He took over the family farm due to his father's ill health, demonstrating a dedication and work ethic that would become a hallmark of his character.

Alongside his wife Eleanor, whom he met at Gardner Drug Store in New Hampton, Cletus built a life filled with love, hard work and creativity on their second-generation family homestead. Cletus and Eleanor were married on Aug. 3, 1963, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Hampton.

A self-taught engineer, Cletus's ingenuity knew no bounds. He welded yard art, crafted magnetic jewelry and engaged in carpentry work with the same ease and expertise as he managed his farm.

His children fondly recall Gramps teaching his grandkids to drive in his Chevy pickup "Brownie" and the family routine of cleaning chickens in the morning, followed by afternoons spent fishing for bullheads at Clear Lake. He was a man of few words, but when he spoke, one of his famous sayings, "don't piss around," resonated with a gentle firmness that only Cletus could convey.

Cletus's involvement in his community and church was a testament to his commitment to service and fellowship. A lifelong member of Immaculate Conception Parish, he was a founding member of the North

## Helen Eliane Brown, 86

Helen Eliane Brown, age 86 of Fredericksburg, died Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, at Hillcrest Homes in Sumner.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 2025, at United Methodist Church in Fredericksburg with Hugh Mackintosh officiating.

Visitation was held from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 2025, at United Methodist Church in Fredericksburg prior to the service.

Interment will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery in Fredericksburg. Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Fredericksburg has been entrusted with arrangements.

### 'Lessons of the Holocaust' set for library Wednesday

Historian and former teacher Brad Wilkening will present the program "Lessons of the Holocaust" at the New Hampton Public Library on Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 6 p.m.

Wilkening took a continuing education class on the topic and it changed his life.

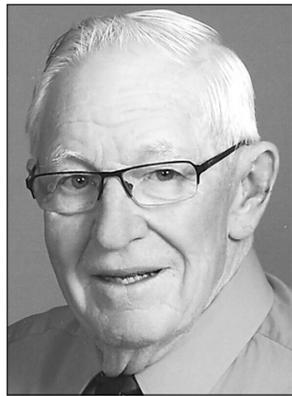
He now speaks to schools and libraries reminding people of all ages to Never Stop Asking Why.

This impactful program is free and open to the public.

## Thank You

The family of Ken Schaufenbuel would like to extend our gratitude to all of you for your kindness and support for our family after his passing. We are grateful to Hugeback Johnson Funeral Home for their expertise, kindness and compassion during this time. A special thanks to Fr. Radloff, Deacon Jim Zajicek, and all who made the service special. Thanks to Curt and Anita Franzen catering the food and group 10 helping out with the wonderful lunch. To Shell Rock Care Center for the kindness, care and compassion they provided and Cedar Valley Hospice for their care and compassion. Thanks to all.

Family of Ken Schaufenbuel



Cletus Schwickerath

Washington Mens Choir in 1968. Together with Eleanor, Cletus was a devoted volunteer at the church and a lifetime member of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

He was a talented pitcher for his fast-pitch softball team in his younger years and was active in 4-H, proudly earning the honor of Family of the Year in 1987.

His love for quilting showcased another facet of his many talents. At the young age of 78, Cletus started quilting. When Patrice opened her quilt shop, Cletus would come in most every day to "work." He quickly and meticulously learned how to sew a 1/4" seam, which in the end turned into beautiful quilts that were displayed in the quilt shop. He also learned how to use a seam ripper if a mistake was made!

A man who never wanted to throw anything away, Cletus lived by the principle that what he saved might one day be needed by his children. His love for naps was well-known, as was his ability to preserve and share the wisdom accumulated over a lifetime of experiences.

Cletus Joseph Schwickerath's life was a testament to the power of hard work, creativity, love for family and deep-rooted faith. He leaves behind a legacy of love and service that will be remembered by all who were fortunate enough to know him.

As we bid farewell to this remarkable man, we do so with gratitude for the wisdom he shared, the selflessness he embodied, and the faith that guided him. His memory will continue to inspire and comfort his family and community for generations to come.

Cletus is survived by his devoted wife of 61 years, Eleanor of New Hampton, and their four children, Craig (Deb) of Cedar Falls, Tony (Janet) of New Hampton, Scott (Julie) of Remsen, and Patrice (Brian) Schilling of New Hampton; 12 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Josephine (Mishak) Schwickerath, and his siblings, Robert (Marlys), Joanna (Elmer) Geerts, Bernice (Ray) Felder and Alice (Herb) Carpenter.

## Monsignor Carl Lambert Schmitt, 89

Monsignor Carl Lambert Schmitt, age 89 of New Hampton, died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2025, at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2025, at Holy Family Parish, New Hampton, with Archbishop Thomas Zinkula celebrating the Mass.

Interment was in St. Luke's Cemetery, St. Lucas.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 2025, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton where there was a 3:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Rosary and a 7 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continued an hour prior to the Mass at the church on Tuesday.

Knights of Columbus 4th degree Honor Guard posted Monday evening from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and also Tuesday, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Holy Family Parish, Church. Monsignor Carl was a K of C member since October 1964, and a 4th Degree member since November 1991. Davis Assembly KC's offer our prayers and sympathies to his family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, Father would prefer memorials to St. Joseph School in New Hampton.

Father Carl was raised on a farm in the St. Lucas area. He was the fifth of 11 children born to Joseph and Anna (Blong) Schmitt. As a youth, he was involved in farming, family, education and carpentry.

A graduate of St. Luke's High School in St. Lucas and Loras College in Dubuque, Father Carl also studied theology, scripture, and philosophy at Mt. St. Bernard Seminary in Dubuque. After completing seminary studies, he went on to attain a M.A. in history from Notre Dame University and an M.A. in secondary administration from the University of Northern

Joanne Julia Winter, age 88 of New Hampton died Monday, Jan. 6, 2025 at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center surrounded by her family.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 20, 2025, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Lawler with the Rev. Nick Radloff celebrating the Mass.

Interment in the church cemetery will follow with Joanne's 10 grandchildren serving as pallbearers.

Friends may greet the family from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, at the Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home and Crematory in New Hampton where there will be a 6 p.m. Parish Scripture Service. Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Monday at the church.

She was born on Sept. 20, 1936, the eldest daughter of George "Pat" and Loretta Winter. Her life was a testament to love, faith and dedication.

Joanne grew up in Lawler, where she attended Lawler High School and graduated in the Class of 1955.

She pursued her passion for education at Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, graduating in 1957. She later furthered her studies at Upper Iowa University, earning her degree in 1972.

While in school, Joanne met the love of her life, Alvin Winter. The couple married on

## Property Transfers

Patricia Borel to Jerica Ann Eichenlaub and Justin M. Eichenlaub; COMM 50' N OF S LINE & 50' W OF E LINE EX PARCEL SW 30-95-11.

Kassidy Lu Drilling and Kassidy Lu Reicks to Kassidy Lu Drilling and Evan Thomas Drilling; S1/2 SW NW 34-96-11.

Eugene Flatjord and Wanda Flatjord to Wanda Flatjord TR, Eugene Flatjord REV TR and Wanda Flatjord REV TR; S1/2 NW 32-97-12 PARCEL A SE SE 29-97-12 COMM SE COR SE 29-97-12 E1/2 EX E5AC NE 29-97-12.

Jean M. Kolbert TR and Jean M. Kolbert TRUST AGMT to Thomas Burgart and Dorann Burgart; NEW HAMPTON PARK ADDITION Lot: 1 Block: 4.

Shirley M. Blazek EST, Donald R. Blazek COEX and Eugene L. Blazek COEX to Donald R. Blazek; ONE HALF INTEREST IN EX PARCELS SW SW 29-96-11 ONE HALF INTEREST IN PARCEL B SW SW 29-96-11 PARCEL C SE SE 30-96-11.

ties including the Compensation Commission, the Stewardship Commission, the Priest Council, the Building Commission, the Priest Fund, the Priest Retirement Fund and as a consultant to the Archbishop.

In 1991, Father Carl returned to his roots when he came to New Hampton, only a few miles from St. Lucas.

Since that time, he saw many changes — first as pastor of St. Joseph, then accepting responsibility for both Catholic churches in New Hampton, St. Joseph and St. Mary of the Visitation. He helped to ease the transition when the two parishes merged to become Holy Family. Father Carl served as pastor for the Good Shepherd Catholic Cluster in 2005 when St. Boniface in Ionia and Immaculate Conception in North Washington were added to his pastoral responsibilities.

Although Father Carl had a full schedule as pastor of three parishes, serving nearly 1,200 families, with a Catholic elementary school and a High School of Religion, he found time for an occasional game of golf and to work in his rose gardens.

After serving the New Hampton area for 19 years, Father Carl retired in 2010 but continued as a substitute priest in the surrounding parishes, filling in on weekends and doing Spanish masses until 2022 when he became limited by his health.

He is survived by sisters, Emily Heying of Luana, and Elaine (Roger) Kleve of Cresco; brother, Raymond (Nancy) Schmitt of Las Vegas; sister-in-law, Debbie Schmitt of Castalia; brother-in-law, Albin Massman of Lansing; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Anna (Blong) Schmitt; brothers, Tony Schmitt, Henry Schmitt, Clem Schmitt and Floyd Schmitt; and sisters, Agnes (Cletus) Meyer, Verna Massman, Marie Schmitt.

## Joanne Julia Winter, 88



Joanne Winter

June 6, 1959, and together they built a life centered on family, faith, and community. Their union was blessed with four children — Mike, Jackie, Donna and Diane.

A lifelong educator, Joanne began her teaching career at St. Joseph's Catholic School in New Hampton before joining the North Fayette Community Schools at Hawkeye Elementary. Her dedication to nurturing young minds continued until her retirement in 2001.

Even then, Joanne's love for teaching persisted as she served as a substitute teacher at New Hampton Elementary well into her 80s.

Joanne's faith was a cornerstone of her life. She was a lifelong member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, where she served as a Eucharistic minister and often brought com-

munion to the homebound. As a devoted Catholic, she also led the Catholic Daughters as president for many years.

Beyond her career and faith, Joanne found joy in farming, gardening, cheering for the Iowa Hawkeyes, traveling and playing cards with friends and family. She was known for her boundless energy, strong work ethic and warm sense of humor that could brighten any room.

Joanne's legacy is one of love, kindness, and an unwavering commitment to those she held dear. She touched countless lives as a teacher, neighbor and friend.

She is survived by one son, Mike (Denice) Winter of New Hampton; three daughters, Jacqueline (Joe) Sharp of Centerville, Donna (Charles) Bage of Cedar Rapids, and Diane (Lance) Von Ah of Carmel, Indiana; 10 grandchildren, Jennifer (Andrew) Jeffrey, Kristen (Jared Bird) Winter, Nicholas (Gentry) Winter, Ashley (Tyler) Zylstra, Megan (Will) Johannes, Spencer Sharp, Katie (Jonathan Jansen) Sharp, Lance Von Ah Jr, Nicole Von Ah and Halle Von Ah; nine great-grandchildren; one brother, Don Winter of Lawler; one sister, Jeanette Kurtenbach of La Joya, Texas; and special friend, Dave Swenumson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Alvin in 2011; one sister-in-law, Sharon Winter; and one brother-in-law, Larry Kurtenbach.

Steven R. Vogt and Jerry Ann Vogt to Peyton M. Jackson. Grace A. Jackson and Neyla D. Mayo; PARCEL A IN W1/2 SE 20-96-13.

Nashua Bancshares Inc. to MSGM Properties LLC; S1/3 NASHUA NO ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 16 N1' NASHUA NO ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 16.

De Ette Rae Weiss, De Ette Rae Link and Michael D. Weiss to De Ette Rae Weiss and Michael D. Weiss; SW SW 06-95-14 W1/2 NW 15-95-14.

De Ette Rae Weiss, De Ette Rae Link and Michael D. Weiss to UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST TO De Ette Rae Weiss and Michael D. Weiss; NE SE 15-95-14 EX RR ROW & EX COMM SE COR N1/2 NW SE 15-95-14 EX PARCEL A SW 15-96-14 PARCEL B NW 22-96-14.

David W. Livingston Jr. to David W. Livingston Jr. TR and David W. Livingston Jr. REV TR; FARMERS ACRES LOTS 18 & 19 OF S1/2 SE 07-94-14 Parcel:191307450011.

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Keith Speicher, 74

Keith Speicher, age 74 of Fredericksburg, died Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, at Floyd County Medical Center in Charles City.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Keith Charles Speicher, known affectionately as "Spike" to his friends, was born on May 10, 1950, to Leo and Mabel Ungerer Speicher in New Hampton. He passed away peacefully on January 7, 2025, surrounded by his loving family.

Keith was a proud graduate of the Fredericksburg High School class of 1968.

Keith married his first love, Diane Smith, on July 6, 1969. In December of the same year, they welcomed their daughter, Jill. In November 1971, tragedy struck when Diane and their unborn child were tragically killed in an automobile accident.

Keith found love again, marrying Barbara Isenhower on August 18, 1973. Their daughter, Karen, was born in 1975.

Although a medical condition kept Keith from being drafted into the United States Army, he was able to serve his



Keith Speicher

country making artillery shells at Chamberlain Manufacturing in Waterloo. He spent nearly 20 years as a truck and pup driver at Rausch Brothers Trucking in Ionia.

In his younger years, Keith was an avid hunter and loved taking motorcycle trips with Barb. He enjoyed playing cards, collecting guns, giving the grandkids mower rides, and gardening.

Keith continued on the tradition of canning his garden

produce taught to him by his parents. He was well-known for his hot pickled vegetables and green beans.

Keith treasured his classic car, a 1965 red Chevy Impala SS. He and Barb could be seen cruising around Fredericksburg during the summer months. Some of his fondest memories were taking day trips to Prairie du Chien with the "boys," who were cherished, life-long friends.

Keith is survived by his devoted wife, Barb Speicher and beloved cat "Budders" of Fredericksburg; two daughters, Jill Connell of Charles City, and Karen (Bill) Pitz of Fredericksburg; seven grandchildren, Regan Connell, Gavin Connell, Lauren Connell, Kiki Connell (fiance Riley Witt), Emma Pitz, Ella Pitz and Will Pitz; and one brother, Dean Speicher of Fredericksburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Mabel Speicher; first wife, Diane Smith; grandson, Ryan Connell; in-laws, Wes and Iva Jean Isenhower; and sister-in-law, Judy Speicher.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES January 7, 2025

The Board convened on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Carter, Cerwinski and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Terry Johnson, Bob Fenske, member of media, Bridget Edson, Carly Sedivy, Homeland Energy Beth Eiler, Kathy Shekleton, Conservation Director Chad Humpal and Engineer Roman Lensing.

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

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to approve a position change for Carly Sedivy, EMT to Paramedic and a rate increase from \$16.74 per hour to \$22.00 per hour. Effective January 6, 2024 for the EMS department. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discuss repair plans for water damage at the Heritage Center.

No public comment.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Cerwinski to adopt Resolution 01-07-25-02. RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA OF THE COUNTY TO BE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BLIGHTED AREA, AND THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION, REDEVELOPMENT, DEVELOPMENT OR A COMBINATION THEREOF, OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS

OF THE COUNTY; DESIGNATION SUCH AREA AS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; AND ADOPTING THE CWEC URBAN RENEWAL PLAN . /ss/ Hackman, Chair, Ayes: Breitbach, Cerwinski, Carter, Suckow ATTEST: /ss/ Sheila Shekleton, Auditor. Detailed document on file at Auditor's office and on county's website https://www.chickasawcounty.iowa.gov

Board Chair Hackman went through first reading of Ordinance NO XI-IFOR THE DIVISION OF REVENUES UNDER SECTION 403.19. CODE OF IOWA FOR CWEC URBAN RENEWAL PLAN

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Breitbach to have a second reading on January 13, 2025. A draft copy of proposed Ordinance No. XI-1 is available for review at the Auditor's Office and on the County website. Roll Call: Ayes: Cerwinski, Breitbach, Carter, Suckow, Hackman. Motion carried.

Recess: 9:23 AM

Resumed: 9:33 AM

Discussed FY 2025-2026 budgets with Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

No committee assignment updates.

Motion by Cerwinski, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 10:39 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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News Release

Gardiner + Company today released an audit report on the Floyd-Mitchell-Chickasaw Solid Waste Management Agency.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

The Agency had total operating receipts of \$1,427,590 for the year ended September 30, 2024, a 5.16% increase from the prior year. Operating disbursements for the year ended September 30, 2024 totaled \$1,126,524, a 4.26% increase from the prior year.

AUDIT FINDINGS:

Gardiner + Company reported four findings related to the receipt and disbursement of taxpayer funds. They are found on pages 26 through 30 of this report. The findings address issues such as lack of segregation of duties. Gardiner + Company provided the Agency with recommendations to address each of these findings.

All of the findings discussed above are repeated from the prior year. The Agency Board has a fiduciary responsibility to provide oversight of the Agency's operations and financial transactions. Oversight is typically defined as the "watchful and responsible care" a governing body exercises in its fiduciary capacity.

A copy of the audit report is available for review on the Auditor of State's website at Audit Reports - Auditor of State.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The City Council of Ionia met in regular session Monday, January 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm in City Hall.

Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Geerts, Holthaus, Rausch present. Also present were Clerk Donna Geerts, Heather Hackman, Linus Voves, and Library Director India Watson. Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order.

Motion by Day, seconded by Holthaus to approve the agenda. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2024 meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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

Alliant Energy .....\$1804.63 Black Hills Energy .....\$ 200.62 Library Acct .....\$1754.77 Payroll .....\$1697.01 Brian Sigler, mlg reimb.....\$ 558.00 941 deposit .....\$ 960.60 IPERS .....\$ 646.34 Jendro Sanitation, recycling .....\$ 617.06 New Hampton Tribune, min. ....\$ 89.11 State of Iowa, qtrly state w/h tax .....\$ 334.00 State of Iowa, anl sales tax.....\$ 414.81 State of Iowa, qtrly water excise tax .....\$ 668.11 Iowa Workforce Development, qtrly un-employment tax.....\$ 12.42 Ted Geerts, Jan mtg council wage .....\$ 41.52 Microbac Lab, water test.....\$ 42.50 INRCOG, Nov admin srvs CDBG.....\$2281.15 Snyder & Assoc, eng srvs WWT Proj .....\$ 736.00 Rausch Bros Trucking, rock delivery .....\$ 161.50 John Deere Financial, supplies\$ 127.65 Kahn Tile Supply, parts .....\$ 60.51 Iowa One Call, locate calls .....\$ 24.00 Mick Gage Pib & Htg, curb stop rep .....\$ 497.60 Speicher Excavating, hydrant rep .....\$2382.75 RA Crooks Customs-park doors key pads .....\$ 175.41 Five Star Coop, fuel .....\$ 644.39

Total Claims.....\$17532.46 Total Revenues \$85,950.69 Check not cleared \$158.00 RECEIVED, FUND, DISBURSEDbank \$ 6,085.02, General .....\$ 15,441.51 \$ 1,595.83, Road Use .....\$ 50 \$ 1,516.62, Water .....\$ 11,362.42 \$ 74,833.02, Sewer.....\$ 63,429.70 20. Savings Int \$ 1,920.00.....Lib Savings don & int 10/21-12/25/24

Motion by Day, seconded by Holthaus to approve the monthly financial report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Taylor gave Water/Wastewater report.

Public comment: Hackman asked if a permit was needed to have a canopy party tent for a few days. Mayor stated no. Hackman asked how the council was handling the legislature change of electronic meetings. Clerk stated it was designed to ensure the council members or board members have an option to an electronic meeting. Council members are allowed to call in for a meeting.

Library Director Watson shared the budget request. Hackman explained the contract for library service between Chickasaw County and Boards of Trustees for public libraries in the county. Hackman explained how the allocation and funding is distributed to the public libraries.

Motion by Day, seconded by Geerts to approve utilizing the services of Todd Prichard as City Attorney. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion on Chapter 51- Junk and Junk Vehicles Ordinance. Attorney sent a notice to abate nuisance to property owner at 207 E Iowa Street. Council instructed Clerk to discuss property at 203 E Prairie Street with city attorney.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to set mileage rate reimbursement at \$0.50 per mile. All voted aye. Motion carried. Library Board sets mileage rate reimbursement for Library Board and staff.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to set lawn mower rate at \$100/hr, minimum \$100 and tractor rate at \$150/hr, minimum \$150. All voted aye. Motion carried.

City committees were reviewed. Mayor appointed members for committees for 2025. Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Day, to approve the following committee appointments. All voted aye. Motion carried. Listing of the committees on file at Clerk's Office. Mayor appointed Derek Day as Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to designate New Hampton Tribune as the official city newspaper.

Discussion on FY 25/26 budget requests and FY 24/25 budget amendment. Discussed doing a spec sheet for a city tractor and get quotes. Council Member Crooks will start this process. Discussed street maintenance. Discussed 28E agreement providing emergency medical services. The cities have a 5% increase payable to the county in 2025.

The following two quotations were reviewed for a tornado sirens: Federal Signal Corporation-\$26,395.92 and Frontline Warning Systems-\$24,988.50. Consensus of the council to accept and order the siren from Federal Signal Corporation. Discussion to follow on where to place the siren.

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Day to adjourn at 8:50 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Randy Taylor, Mayor Attest: Donna Geerts, City Clerk

Table with 3 columns: Employee Name, 2024 Gross Wages. Includes Mary Jo Parson (1,560.00), Donna M Geerts (9,420.00), Brian Sigler (12,000.00), India A May Watson (18,323.00), Bryan A. Angell (12,886.00), Michael D Taylor (612.00), James F Brummond (1,168.00), Randy Taylor (2,000.00), Theodore J Geerts Jr (585.00), James L. Rausch (360.00), Derek Day (675.00), Richard A Crooks (630.00), Cole Denner (315.00), Jayson Holthaus (675.00), TOTAL (61,209.00)

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The Lawler City Council met in regular session on January 6, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Mark Muetterthies presided. Council members present: Scheidel, King, Wilson and Roberson. Council members absent: Croell

Others present: Jay Uhlenhake, Renea Huinker and Sandy Busta. Motion made by King to approve the agenda. Second by Roberson. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Scheidel to approve the previous minutes and approval of current bills. Second by King. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes VESTIS, RUGS (276.86), JENDRO, GARBAGE CONTRACT (3,365.71), STANTON ELECTRIC (1,428.24), UPS (124.47), RILEY'S (26.99), TEST AMERICA, WASTEWATER (128.07), EFTPS, FED/FICA TAXES (2,044.33), IPERS, IPERS (1,537.10), STATE WITHHOLDING, STATE TAXES (827.62), BLACK HILLS ENERGY, GAS UTILITY (282.96), MIENERGY, ELECTRICITY (11,473.49), CASH (538.46), HAWKINS, AZONE (597.15), NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE (146.08), WELLMARK BLUE CROSS (5,713.95), LAWLER PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2ND QTR FY24-25 (3,750.00), LAWLER FIRE DEPARTMENT, 2025 1ST HALF OF TAXATION (6,171.25), ANDERSON (100), BANK IOWA, SEWER LOAN PAYOFF (8,535.11), MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC, ELECTRIC METERS (1,940.62), TERRY DURIN CO (1,165.72), MARK MUETTERTHIES, 2024 MILEAGE (451.58), BMC AGGREGATES LC, ROADSTONE (388.49), VISA - J UHLENHAKE (163.3), VISA - S BYRNE (74.69), SCHUEHT ACE HARDWARE, LED ROPE LIGHT XMAS LIGHTS (31.17), HAWKEYE INTERCONNECT, Dec-24 (45.1), DSG (344.1), FEHR GRAHAM, WELL #3 IMPROVEMENTS (9,600.00), OMNISITE, 1 YEAR WIRELESS SERVICE (290), PAYROLL CHECKS, TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS (8,958.93), CLAIMS TOTAL (70,521.55), REVENUE

GENERAL FUND 21,469.34..... 4914.03 SANITATION FUND 3,435.71..... 2913.37 ROAD USE TAX FUND 1,624.64..... 3917.33 DEBT SERVICE FUND 8,535.11..... 2835.34 CAP PRO STORM DRAINAGE FUND 9,600.00..... 0 WATER FUND 3,829.45..... 9238.03 SEWER FUND 3,679.67..... 6877.67 ELECTRIC FUND 18,347.63..... 24490.81 LIBRARY EFTPS, FED/FICA TAX ..... 1,371.44 IPERS, IPERS ..... 307.99 STATE WITHHOLDING, STATE TAX ..... 109.25 INGRAM, BOOKS ..... 80.23 PETTY CASH, PETTY CASH ..... 76.39 RILEY'S ..... 109.95 MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING ..... 82.5 HAWKEYE INTERCONNECT ..... 31 VISA ..... 13.57 BRNCKS CONSTRUCTION 3,225.00 PAYROLL CHECKS, TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS ..... 1,618.01 CLAIMS TOTAL ..... 7,025.33 GENERAL FUND ..... 7,025.33

Appointments were made by council for 2025. The Board of Adjustment will need another appointment to for a replacement until 2026

Appointments January 2024

Mayor pro-tem, Dale King Bank, Bank Iowa City Attorney, John Anderson City Clerk, Suzette Byrne Toxic Cleanup, Jeremy Scheidel Street Committee, Kurt Croell, Cole Roberson, Jay Uhlenhake Utilities Committee, Karen Wilson, Dale King, Jay Uhlenhake Fire Dept. Rep., Cole Roberson & Dale King Tree Committee, Dale King, Karen Wilson, Jay Uhlenhake Health Officer, Dr. Lukas Brinkman Street Superintendent, Jay Uhlenhake Water Superintendent, Jay Uhlenhake Landfill Committee Rep., Jay Uhlenhake

Board of Adjustment 5 year term 2025

Jeremy Scheidel 2025 Kurt Croell 2027 Roger Dreckman 2025 Frank Wilson 2025

Park Board 5 year term Roger Dreckman 2026 Dale King 2026 Jeremy Scheidel 2025

Emergency Management Board Mark Muetterthies Dale King

REAP Mark Muetterthies Motion made by Roberson to approve Mark Muetterthies and Dale King to the Emergency Management Board. Second by Wilson. Ayes: Roberson, Wilson, King and Scheidel

Nays: None Absent: Croell Motion passed.

Renea Huinker and Sandy Busta gave the council the Library Budget for FY25-26. They are requesting an increase of \$1,000 from the city.

The library windows are still leaking. Renea discussed with the council regarding siding on the west wall of the building. Suzette said this would need to be put in the budget for FY25-26 under building repairs.

Jay discussed with the council GIS Mapping for the city to find underground electric, water and sewer lines. It is always updated. This will cost the city \$51,000 and will be budgeted from the electric, water and sewer funds in FY25-26.

The council worked on the Budget FY24-25. Street repairs were discussed. Suzette explained whatever expended you budget for will need revenue to pay them. Suzette will run the numbers the council gave. Budget numbers will be discussed next month.

Delinquents were discussed. The city will be updating the utility ordinances to charge \$25-\$35 for delinquent accounts receiving a 24 hour notice on their doors. The utility bills are due the 20th of the month, if not paid, a 12 disconnect notice is mailed to home owners, if not by within the 12 days, 24 hour notice is posting on homeowner doors. This cost the city money in postage and time. This will be further discussed at the February meeting.

Next meeting will be February 3, 2025 at 7:00pm

Motion made by Scheidel to adjourn at 8:45pm. Second by Roberson. Ayes: King, Wilson, Scheidel and Roberson Nays: Motion passed. Suzette Byrne, City Clerk

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY JANUARY 6, 2025 7:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, January 6, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Fisher, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz and Denner. Also in attendance were Conrad Rosendahl, Casey Mai, Tammy Robinson, Kyle Anderson and several NHHS students.

1. Approve meeting agenda

2. Approve City Council Minutes of December 16, 2024.

3. Approve City Claims of \$ 236,328.64

4. Committee as a Whole Minutes December 16, 2024

5. Library Board Minutes of December 11, 2024

6. Airport Board Minutes December 9, 2024

7. Park & Rec Minutes of January 2, 2025

8. Class B Retail License: Dollar General #2397 (Linn Ave) 3-1-2025-Including ownership updates

9. Appoint Jacob Hackman to the Planning & Zoning Commission - term expiring 7-1-29.

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz; that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Resolution setting guidelines for Council meetings

Moved by Porath, seconded by Speltz; that Resolution No. 6697 A RESOLUTION SETTING GUIDELINES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS (as follows), be approved:

All regular Council meetings shall be held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. as set by City Code, and if such day shall fall on a legal holiday, identified as Christmas Eve Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day or Labor Day, the meeting shall be held on the next succeeding day at the same time unless a different day or time is determined by the council. The conduct of all regular and special meetings of the Council shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order and the City of New Hampton Code of Conduct. Special meetings of the City Council may be called by the Mayor of the City at any time, as stated in the City Code, with or without notice in compliance with the open meetings law, and said special meeting shall take up, consider, and act upon any such

business as the Mayor shall place on the agenda subject to Council approval. Any business to be transacted at any regular Council meeting shall be in the hands of the City Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the Council meeting. The Mayor sets up the agenda for the City Clerk to prepare and post to the City of New Hampton website on the Friday prior to the meeting. Emergency items shall be in the hands of the City Clerk by Friday at 10:00 a.m. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved.

Setting order for roll call

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Humpal; That the order for roll call vote shall be as follows: the first meeting shall be alphabetical and thereafter each meeting the roll call vote shall be rotated so that the first vote becomes the last and the rest remain alphabetical. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Approving City Attorney

Mayor Geerts would like to appoint Todd Prichard as City Attorney for a term of two (2) years. Moved by Porath, seconded by Fisher; That Resolution No. 6698 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING TODD PRICHARD AS CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF NEW HAMPTON WITH A MONTHLY SALARY OF \$3,318.00, be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved.

Voting procedures and abstaining votes

City Attorney Todd Prichard reminded the council of the importance of being mindful of a possible quorum in social settings, either in person or by electronic means; supported the Code of Conduct policy for elected officials and also explained a conflict of interest as it relates to a councilmember.

Appointment of Mayor Pro-tem

Mayor appointed Larsen as Mayor Pro-tem and asked for council approval. Moved by Denner, seconded by Speltz; That Mayor Geerts appointment of Larsen as Mayor Pro-tem be approved. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Appointment of Standing Committees

Mayor Geerts appointed the following Standing Committees and asked for Council approval:

Committee, Chair Committee Members, Finance

Humpal, Porath Larsen

Street and Sanitation

Denner, Speltz Larsen

Wastewater

Denner, Fisher Porath

Water

Fisher, Denner Speltz

Safety

Larsen, Police Chief, Casey Mai, Fire Chief

Hotel/Motel

Humpal

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Humpal; That the Mayor's appointments to the Standing Committees be approved. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Designating Signatures for Community Development Block Grants and Economic Development Grants

Moved by Speltz, seconded by Porath; That Resolution No. 6699 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION GRANTS (Steve Geerts, Mayor, and in his absence, Larsen Mayor Pro-tem), be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved.

Mayor's Appointments

Mayor Geerts made the following appointments and asked for Council approval:

City Clerk - Karen Clemens Chief of Police - Conrad Rosendahl Public Works Director - Casey Mai Zoning Administrators - Casey Mai and Karen Clemens

Moved by Denner, seconded by Larsen; That the Mayor's appointments be approved. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Mayor's appointments to Community Boards

Mayor Geerts made the following appointments and asked for Council approval:

Floyd-Mitchell-Chickasaw Solid Waste Agency - Mayor Geerts, Clemens-alternate

Economic Development Advisory Board - Mayor Geerts, Humpal, Clemens alter.

Communication Commission - Mayor Geerts, Police Chief Rosendahl

E-911 Board - Mayor Geerts, Police Chief Rosendahl

Emergency Management Board - Mayor Geerts, Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl

Regional Transit Authority Policy Board - Mayor or Council

Housing Council - Tammy Robinson

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz; that the Mayor's appointments be approved.

Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Appointment of official newspaper

Moved by Porath, seconded by Speltz; That the New Hampton Tribune be named the official newspaper for the publication of Council proceedings and notices. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Appointment of City Engineer

Moved by Larsen, seconded by Speltz; To appoint SEH Engineering and Strand Associates as the engineering firms for City Subdivision review and storm water management review and all other City engineering business will be done on a project by project basis. Ayes - Six. Nays - None. Absent - None. Motion carried.

Setting Mileage Reimbursement Rate

Moved by Fisher, seconded by Denner; that Resolution No. 6700 A RESOLUTION SETTING THE MILEAGE RATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR 2025 AT \$0.70 be approved. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved.

As a result of the meeting of the Committee as a Whole held at 5:30 pm January 6, 2025, the Council is recommending city staff to contact finance and legal representation to issue debt for a municipal corporate purpose. Moved by Speltz, seconded by Porath; That Resolution #6701 A RESOLUTION TO DIRECT CITY STAFF TO INITIATE THE PROCEEDINGS WITH FINANCIAL & LEGAL COUNCIL TO ISSUE DEBT FOR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATE PURPOSE. Ayes - Fisher, Humpal, Larsen, Porath, Speltz, Denner. Nays - None. Absent - None. Resolution approved.

PWD Casey Mai discussed a request he received regarding the possible purchase of city property. This will be discussed in more detail at the next city council meeting.

Councilmember Humpal requested to continue to the discussion of

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• Burke McGrath of New Hampton is opening a new implement store in Waucoma and expects to be open for business this week. Allis Chalmers and New Idea Machinery and parts and some small hardware will be handled. Adrian Wurzer of St. Lucas will be the local manager.

#### 1975 (50 years ago)

• Although the New Hampton area missed the brunt of the savage snowstorm which paralyzed much of the state over the weekend, weather conditions were still violent here, with winds ranging from 40 to 60 miles per hour, and traffic at a near standstill because of visibility and frigid tem-

peratures.

The storm, which had been predicted to start Friday afternoon, led school officials to dismiss classes early and cancel sporting events. Shortly after midnight, snow began to fall accompanied by high winds and residents woke up to a raging storm. Many businesses were closed on Saturday.

• The Chi-sawette varsity basketball team looked good on Thursday evening in the New Hampton gym, with the exception of a few lapses. It dispatched the visiting Waterloo Wahawk-ettes with ease, 47-32. The Tribe led by 20 points at one time and coaches Carol Cordes and Linda Meyer gave all 15 of their proteges who were suited up a smell of varsity action.

This was their fourth victory of the season in nine appearances for the Chi-sawettes, and kept alive their record of not being beaten by another "first year" opponent. All five of the Tribe's defeats have been to schools from a few to many years of girls basketball programs and experience.

#### 2000 (25 years ago)

• The New Hampton varsity boys basketball team capped a two-night weekend road trip with a 60-58 victory at Osage on Saturday evening. Ryan Murray made an offensive rebound and scored the final shot of the game on a put-back as the horn sounded, but every member played a role in what NHHS head coach Scott Hogeland called "a total team effort."

The Tribe pilot made some defensive adjustments at the half that proved to be helpful, and was really pleased with his team's effort, especially in the second half.

• First National Bank in New Hampton, along with more than 30 Iowa banks, joined forces in December to make the wish of an Iowa child come true.

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of two and one-half and 18, who have been diagnosed with life-threatening illnesses.

#### 2015 (10 years ago)

• New Hampton Parks and Recreation Director Rick Kramer said the slide at the New Hampton Municipal Pool was installed in 1990, and is in need of major work and Kramer and the Park Board are considering a replacement and other updates.

Kramer is considering asking the board to approve about \$500,000 in improvements that would include a new slide, possibly a therapy pool and replacing the kiddie pool with a "splash pad."

• Blake Ohm, a junior at the New Hampton High School, will take part in a unique "football camp" this summer in Australia.

Ohm will represent Iowa and play two football games for the Central U.S. team, one of 12 squads that will take part in the Down Under Bowl in the Australian city of Brisbane. He will depart on June 28 and be in Australia through July 6, and on his

way home, he will have the opportunity to spend three days in Hawaii.

#### 2020 (5 years ago)

• New Hampton/Turkey Valley's wrestling team made history in two states Saturday as the Chickasaws welcomed yet another athlete to its "100 Club" and crowned its first-ever champion at a girls-only tournament.

Carson Babcock picked up his 100th win at the Stewartville (Minnesota) Invitational, and did it with yet another signature win, a 5-4 decision over fourth-ranked Joe Williams of Osage in the 160-pound final.

Meanwhile, the Chickasaw girls team headed to Central Elkader, and junior Claire Quirk pinned her way to the title in the Central Elkader Girls Tournament.

• Chris Sullivan's Turkey Valley boys varsity basketball team took on North Fayette Valley on Friday, and Ethan Leibold not only cracked the career 1,000-point barrier but surpassed his coach's school record of 1,004 points. And on top of that, the Trouans' coach, Chris Sullivan, recorded his 100th career victory.

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Briefs

Awareness of dangers promoted during radon awareness month

Next to smoking, radon gas in homes is a common cause of lung cancer; in fact, the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers and the second-leading cause in smokers, claiming the lives of approximately 21,000 Americans each year.

A home test kit for the deadly gas may be purchased for \$20 each at the Chickasaw County Environmental Health Department, 260 E. Prospect in New Hampton. The hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Each January, EPA seeks to raise awareness of radon exposure during National Radon Action Month, encouraging residents to "Test, Fix, Save a Life" and protect themselves and their families by having their homes tested for the presence of radon.

Radon is a naturally occurring, radioactive gas produced by the breakdown of radium, thorium, and uranium in the ground. It is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. If left untreated, radon can accumulate indoors, leading to significant health risks.

"Radon is a threat to millions of Americans, especially those living in areas with a high potential for radon," said EPA Region 7 Air and Radiation Division Director Dana Skelley.

"In the Midwest, many homes are naturally predisposed to have elevated radon levels. We urge everyone to protect themselves and their families from this preventable health risk by testing their homes for radon gas."

EPA recommends taking action to fix your home if you discover radon levels above 4 picocuries per liter. If your home does have elevated levels, a qualified professional can install a system to reduce indoor radon levels. For more guidance on addressing radon risks, visit EPA's Radon page.

Area grad promoted at First Security Bank

A native of North Washington has been promoted at First Security as the bank announced that Kelsey McGregor has recently been promoted to Portfolio Manager.

McGregor joined the bank in 2021 as a loan assistant supervisor, where she worked with, trained, oversaw, and provided leadership for ag/commercial loan assistants at First Security.

In her new role, she will work closely with the bank's ag/commercial lenders in gathering loan information, building relationships with customers, understanding customers' needs, and assisting with more loan closings.

She will be a second point of contact to the customers' prima-

ry lender.

Portfolio Manager Supervisor Zach Mitchell said, "Kelsey is a highly team-oriented individual who is always willing to take on additional responsibilities. Over the past few years, she has played a key role in the success of the Loan Assistant team. We are excited about her promotion and the valuable contributions she will bring to the other members of the Portfolio Manager department."

McGregor attended Upper Iowa University, where she received a bachelor of science degree.

She then attended Des Moines University's Doctor of Physical Therapy program for a semester before deciding she wanted to change her career path.

After her schooling and before joining First Security, McGregor gained over four years of banking experience in the areas of debit cards, ATMs, personal banking, and loans.

Legal Notice

CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES January 6, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Suckow, Carter, Cerwinske and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Terry Johnson, Bob Fenske, member of media, Kathy Shekleton, Engineer's Office Ranae Carey, Conservation Director Chad Humpal, Custodian Dave Gorman, Engineer Roman Lensing, NE IA RC&D Executive Director Paul Berland and Sheriff Ryan Shawver.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the agenda for January 6, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the meeting minutes from January 2, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed Employee Benefit Systems (EBS) for Chickasaw County Flex Plan and no action taken.

Public comment: Engineer's office Ranae Carey asked about a time line for Safety Data Sheets.

Discussed with Northeast Iowa RC&D, Executive Director, Paul Berland FY25-26 budget request.

Discussed repairs for the water damage at the Heritage Center.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve and authorize chair signature on Title VI Non-Discrimination Agreement/Assurances between the Iowa Department of Transportation and Chickasaw County. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed Secondary Roads updates with Engineer Roman Lensing.

Budget Session COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Supervisor Suckow-January 6-IGHCP

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 10:40 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Jacob Hackman, Chairperson Board of Supervisors ATTEST: Sheila Shekleton, Secretary to the Board

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Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Lists various individuals and their corresponding monetary values, such as Heying, Dawn at \$10,846.63 and Ranae Carey at \$57,853.46.

Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NORMA J. NOLTING, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR003219 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Norma J. Nolting, Deceased, who died on or about May 20, 2024:

You are hereby notified that on May 20th, 2024 the Last Will and Testament of Norma J. Nolting deceased, bearing date of May 8th, 2020 was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Nancy Franzen was appointed Executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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

Dated January 7, 2025. Lana L Lühring, AT#0004830 Attorney for Executor Laird and Lühring Law Firm PO Box 177 Waverly, IA 50677

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Iowa County Treasurer's Semiannual Reconciliation For 07/01/2024 - 12/31/2024 Chickasaw County

Large reconciliation table with columns: Beginning Treasurer's Balance, Total Revenues, Beginning Balance + Total Revenues, Total Expenses, Change in Outstanding, Calculated Ending Treasurer's Balance, Actual Ending Treasurer's Balance, Difference, Outstanding Bank Items. Includes a 'Report Totals' row at the bottom.

Iowa County Treasurer's Semiannual Reconciliation

I hereby certify the above report to be a true and Accurate account of transactions during the Period(s) specified.

Matthew Gabrand

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## Hole too big to dig out of for Trojan boys against Pirates

### TV Boys: FROM 15

19 points and sophomore forward Jordan Kriener followed up his 10-point performance versus West Central with 14 points versus Riceville.

Kriener hit for 14 points again versus Postville and in the three games last week he was 18-for-28 from the field. That field goal percentage was a sizzling 64 percent.

Kruse tallied 15 points against Riceville and ripped down 13 rebounds.

The Trojans trailed Postville (4-8, 3-5) by 22 points in the first half, but closed to just three points early in the final period and had the ball.

Turkey Valley could not convert on that possession and Postville would go on to score on the ensuing possession to widen its lead.

“We let that Postville game get away. We didn’t get off the bus,” said Izer.

### TURKEY VALLEY 72, WEST CENTRAL 41

TV	24	18	13	17	-	72
WC	7	16	4	14	-	41

Logan Busta 8-16 1-2 17, J.D. Kruse 6-11 8-8 21, Cale Langreck 5-8 0-2 11, Treyton Franzen 2-7 0-0

4, Jordan Kriener 5-7 0-2 10, Alex Hanson 0-6 0-0 0, Jayden Rausch 2-5 2-2 7, Miguel Diaz 0-1 0-0 0, Kaden Schmidt 0-2 0-0 0, Caleb Kriener 0-0 0-0 0, Jonah Orvis 0-0 0-0 0, Tucker Reicks 1-3 0-0 2, Wyatt Maklenburg 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-66 11-16 72.

3-point field goals - Busta 0-5, Kruse 1-2, Langreck 1-1, Franzen 0-1, Hanson 0-4, Rausch 1-4, Schmidt 0-2.

Rebounds - Kruse 8, Franzen 6, Busta 7, Langreck 4, J. Kriener 4, Reicks 4, Diaz 2, Schmidt 1, Hanson 1.

Assists - Busta 5, Langreck 2, Franzen 1, Rausch 1, Orvis 1, Reicks 1. Steals - Busta 5, Kruse 4, J. Kriener 2, Franzen 1, Schmidt 1.

Blocks - Langreck 1.

### TURKEY VALLEY 69, RICEVILLE 64

Rice	20	15	13	16	-	64
TV	12	23	19	15	-	69

Busta 8-19 1-2 19, Kruse 7-17 4-10 20, Langreck 2-6 0-0 4, Franzen 3-6 0-0 6, J. Kriener 6-8 2-2 14, Rausch 2-3 0-0 5, Schmidt 0-0 0-0 0, Reicks 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 28-61 8-16 69.

3-point field goals - Busta 2-9, Kruse 2-2, Langreck 0-2, Franzen 0-1, Rausch 1-1.

Rebounds - Kruse 10, J. Kriener 7, Busta 6, Franzen 4, Langreck 2, Rausch 2, Reicks 1.

Assists - Busta 3, Kruse 3, Langreck 2, J. Kriener 2.

Steals - Busta 3, Kruse 3, J. Kriener 2, Franzen 1, Rausch 1.

### POSTVILLE 60,



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

**Logan Busta breaks towards the hoop versus MFL MarMac on Tuesday night. MFL topped Turkey Valley, 68-47. TV cut MFL’s lead to seven points in the third quarter in a game that was much closer than the one played in Monona. Look for more on this story in next week’s Tribune.**

### TURKEY VALLEY 52

TV	12	11	7	9	-	52
Post	20	21	7	12	-	60

Busta 3-16 0-0 8, Kruse 6-20 3-7 15, Langreck 3-8 1-2 9, Franzen 1-7

1-4 3, J. Kriener 7-13 0-0 14, Hanson 0-1 0-0 0, Rausch 1-3 0-2 3, Schmidt 0-0 0-0 0, Reicks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-68 5-15 52.

3-point field goals - Busta 2-9,

Kruse 0-2, Langreck 2-6, J. Kriener 0-1, Rausch 1-2.

Rebounds - Kruse 13, J. Kriener 9, Busta 7, Franzen 4, Langreck 2, Rausch 2, Hanson 1, Reicks 1.

Assists - Langreck 3, Busta 2, J. Kriener 2, Kruse 1, Franzen 1, Rausch 1.

Steals - Busta 2, J. Kriener 2, Kruse 1, Rausch 1.

## Legal Notice - Legal Notice

**ORDINANCE NO. XI-1**  
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING THAT GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED AND COLLECTED EACH YEAR ON ALL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CWEC URBAN RENEWAL AREA, IN CHICKASAW COUNTY, STATE OF

IOWA, BY AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE OF IOWA, CHICKASAW COUNTY, CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NASHUA PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW HAMPTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, SUMNER FREDER-

ICKSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, TURKEY VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND OTHER TAXING DISTRICTS, BE PAID TO A SPECIAL FUND FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON LOANS, MONIES ADVANCED TO AND INDEBTEDNESS,

INCLUDING BONDS ISSUED OR TO BE ISSUED, INCURRED BY THE COUNTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE CWEC URBAN RENEWAL AREA (THE CWEC URBAN RENEWAL PLAN)  
WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County, State of

Iowa, after public notice and hearing as prescribed by law and pursuant to Resolution No. 01-07-25-02 passed and approved on the 7th day of January, 2025, adopted an Urban Renewal Plan (the “Urban Renewal Plan”) for an urban renewal area known as the CWEC Urban Renewal Area (the “Urban Re-

newal Area”), which Urban Renewal Area includes the lots and parcels located within the area legally described as follows:

TURBINE #	TURBINE PARCEL #	SEC - TWP - R	TOWNSHIP	TAX DISTRICT
1	19-03-22-3-00-811	22-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
2	19-03-22-1-25-811	22-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
3	19-03-22-1-25-821	22-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
4	19-03-23-3-25-811	23-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
5	19-03-23-2-00-811	23-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
6	19-03-23-1-25-811	23-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
9	19-03-26-1-00-811	26-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
10	19-03-24-3-00-814	24-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
11	19-03-24-4-00-812	24-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
12	19-02-19-2-00-811	19-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
13	19-02-19-3-00-811	19-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
14	19-03-25-3-00-811	25-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
15	19-03-25-4-00-811	25-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
16	19-02-30-4-00-811	30-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
17	19-02-29-3-25-811	29-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
18	19-03-35-4-00-811	35--97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
19	19-03-36-3-75-811	36-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
21	19-02-31-4-50-815	31-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
22	19-02-31-4-50-825	31-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
23	19-02-32-3-00-812	32-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
24	19-02-32-1-00-811	32-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH

25	19-02-32-1-00-821	32-97-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
27	19-03-33-3-25-811	33-97-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
29	19-06-04-3-25-811	4-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
31	19-06-03-1-75-811	3-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
33	19-06-09-3-25-811	9-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
34	19-06-09-3-00-812	9-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
35	19-06-09-1-50-811	9-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
36	19-06-10-3-00-811	10-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
37	19-06-10-4-00-811	10-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
38	19-06-11-3-00-811	11-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
39	19-06-11-1-25-813	11-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
41	19-06-15-3-75-811	15-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
42	19-06-15-4-75-811	15-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
43	19-06-14-1-75-811	14-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
44	19-06-01-4-00-811	1-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
45	19-07-06-2-75-811	6-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
46	19-07-06-3-00-811	6-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
47	19-07-06-4-50-811	6-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
48	19-07-05-2-75-811	5-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
49	19-07-05-1-75-811	5-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
50	19-07-04-2-25-811	4-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
51	19-06-12-4-00-811	12-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
52	19-07-02-2-75-811	7-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH

53	19-07-08-3-00-811	8-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
55	19-07-09-1-00-811	9-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
56	19-07-04-4-00-811	4-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
57	19-07-18-3-00-811	18-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
58	19-07-18-3-00-821	18-96-13	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
59	19-07-17-3-00-811	17-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
60	19-07-17-4-25-811	17-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
61	19-07-16-3-50-812	16-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
63	19-07-09-4-00-815	9-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
66	19-07-21-3-00-811	21-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
67	19-07-21-3-00-821	21-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
68	19-07-21-1-75-811	21-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
73	19-07-28-4-75-811	28-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
74	19-07-27-3-75-811	27-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
75	19-07-27-4-25-811	27-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
76	19-07-35-2-00-811	35-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
80	19-07-35-1-25-811	35-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
82	19-06-03-2-75-811	3-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
83	19-06-16-4-25-813	16-96-13	WASHINGTON	WANH
84	19-07-33-1-00-813	33-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
85	19-07-29-1-75-811	29-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH
86	19-07-19-1-00-811	19-96-12	JACKSONVILLE	JANH

AND  
The area also includes the Chickasaw County Road Right of Way Easements including the traveled portions, shoulders, bridges, bridge approaches and culvert locations of the following public roads as well as several parcel specific properties identified as such:

100th Street from the West boundary of Chickasaw County East to Ridgeway Avenue  
110th Street from the West boundary of Chickasaw County East to Union Avenue  
115th Street from the West boundary of Chickasaw County East to Cheyenne Avenue  
120th Street from Cheyenne Avenue East to the South quarter section of Section 26, Township 97 North, Range 11 West  
125th Street as located in Section 36, Township 97 North, Range 12 West  
130th Street from Beaumont Avenue East as extended to Randolph Avenue  
140th Street from the West boundary of Chickasaw County East as extended to Stanley Avenue  
145th Street as located in Section 10, Township 96 North, Range 12 West  
150th Street from Durham Avenue East to Stevens Avenue  
155th Street from Gilmore Avenue East to Ivanhoe Avenue  
160th Street from Cheyenne Avenue East as extended to Stevens Avenue  
165th Street from the East city limits of North Washington East to LaSalle Avenue  
170th Street from the South quarter section of Section 21, Township 96 North, Range 14 West East to Quinlan Avenue  
180th Street from the South quarter section of Section 28, Township 96 North, Range 14 West East as extended to the East lines of Sections 26 & 35, Township 96 North, Range 12 West  
190th Street from Cheyenne Avenue East as extended to the East lines of Section 36, Township 96 North, Range 12 West and Section 1, Township 95 North, Range 12 West  
200th Street from the East city limits of New Hampton East as extended to Ridgeway Avenue  
205th Street from Newell Avenue East as extended to Ridgeway Avenue, not including that area identified as State Highway 24  
210th Avenue from the South quarter section of Section 10, Township 95 North, Range 14 West East as extended to Kenwood Avenue  
210th Avenue as located in Section 11 & 14, Township 95 North, Range 12 West  
210th Street from Ridgeway Avenue East to the East line of Sections 7 & 18, Township 95 North, Range 11 West  
215th Street located in Section 13, Township 95 North, Range 14 West  
220th Street from Beaumont Avenue East to 210th Street  
220th Street from South Linn Ave-

nue East to Stanley Avenue, not including that area located in the city limits of New Hampton

225th Street from Kenwood Avenue East to mission Avenue, not including that area located in the city limits of New Hampton

225th Street from Odessa Avenue East to Panorama Avenue

230th Street from Exeter Avenue East as extended to Panorama Avenue

235th Street as located in Section 27, Township 95 North, Range 13 West East as extended to Odessa Avenue

239th Street as located in Section 28, Township 95 North, Range 12 West

240th Street from Fayette Avenue East as extended to Union Avenue

250th Street from Fayette Avenue East as extended to the SE corner of the SW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 35, Township 95 North, Range 12 West

260th Street from Hickory Avenue East to McCloud Avenue

260th Street from the South quarter section of Section 6, Township 94 North, Range 12 West East to the South quarter section of Section 5, Township 94 North, Range 12 West

280th Street from Kenwood Avenue East to McCloud Avenue

290th Street from the South quarter section of Section 23, Township 94 North, Range 13 West East to McCloud Avenue

Addison Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 115th Street

Asherton Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to the South line of Sections 29 & 30, Township 97 North, Range 14 West

Beaumont Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 130th Street

Beaumont Avenue from State Highway 18 South to 220th Street

Cheyenne Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 190th Street

Durham Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 210th Street

Durham Avenue from the East quarter section of Section 15, Township 95 North, Range 14 West South to the West quarter section of Section 23, Township 95 North, Range 14 West

Exeter Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South as extended to State Highway 346

Falcon Trail from 120th Street South to 140th Street

Fayette Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South as extended to 250th Street

Franklin Avenue from 150th Street South to 160th Street

Gilmore Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South as extended to 250th Street

Hickory Avenue from 120th Street South to 250th Street

Following includes a parcel specific property

Including the NW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 33, Township 95 North, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M. lying along said Hickory Avenue

Hickory Avenue from the West quarter section of Section 4 Township 94 North Range 13 West South to 260th Street

River Road as located in Section 28, Township 95 North, Range 13 West  
Ivanhoe Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South as extended to the South line of Sections 33 & 34, Township 95 North Range 13 West

Ivanhoe Avenue from the East quarter section of Section 9, Township 94 North Range 13 West South to State Highway 346

Ivanhoe Court as located in Sections 15 & 22, Township 95 North, Range 13 West

Jasper Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 260th Street

Kenwood Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 290th Street

LaSalle Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to the North city limits of New Hampton

Linn Avenue from LaSalle Avenue North of New Hampton South to 240th Street

Following includes a parcel specific property

South Right of way line of Court Street from Linn Avenue East to, and including, Lots 7 & 8, Block 26, Original Plat City of New Hampton (aka Tax Parcel 191007251091)

North Linn Drive from McCloud Avenue South to the North city limits of New Hampton

Following includes a parcel specific property

Mission Avenue from McCloud Avenue South to the North line of Section 7, Township 95, Range 12 West of the 5th P.M. and including Tax Parcel #191006450002 lying along said Mission Avenue legally described as: Comm at S1/4 corner of 6-95-12, thence N 289.5', thence N 88°08' to POB, th N302.5', th N 88°08' E 745.7', th S 394.2' to a point on the North right of way line of CMST&P RR, th NWLY along the North ROW line of CMST&P RR to the POB.

E 66' to POB, thence N 302.5', thence E 745.7',

Mission Avenue from the South city limits of New Hampton South to 250th Street

Mission Avenue from West quarter section of Section 5 Township 94 North Range 12 West South to State Highway 18

Newell Avenue from 160th Street South to 250th Street

Nolan Boulevard as established in Section 21, Township 97 North, Range 12 West South to 130th Street

Odessa Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South as

extended to 250th Street  
Panora Avenue from 190th Street South as extended to 235th Street

Pembroke Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South as extended to 235th Street

Pembroke Avenue from the NE corner of the SE1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 27 Township 95 North Range 12 West South to 240th Street

Quinlan Avenue from 110th Street South as extended to the SW corner of the NW1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 25 Township 96 North Range 12 West

Quinlan Avenue from the center of Section 36 Township 96 North Range 12 West South to the South line of Section 24, Township 95 North, Range 12 West

Randolph Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 130th Street

Ridgeway Avenue from the North boundary of Chickasaw County South to 110th Street

Ridgeway Avenue from 140th Street South to 160th Street

Ridgeway Avenue from State Highway 24 South to 205th Street

Following includes a parcel specific property

Also including parcels identified as tax parcels 191001475011 and 190906350004 abutting the extension of Ridgeway Avenue North from State Highway 24 between Section 1-95-12 and Section 6-95-11, legally described as Parcels A and D recorded 50 Book 2007 - 823, Parcel B recorded in Book 2008 - 781.

# Chickasaw coaches like intensity teams show during sweep

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the way we know how to play it."

Ewert notched 12 points on 5-for-9 shooting and helped spearhead a press that worked wonders in the first half. The Chickasaws led by over 20 points late in the third quarter against the two-win Indians before Clarksville cut the lead to eight points with just under three minutes remaining in regulation. Kye Rausch's 3-pointer lifted the lead back up to 15 - NH now leading 65-50 - to help seal the deal.

Ewert - who leads the team in scoring (11 ppg) - talked about the full-court press that frustrated Clarksville (2-8) in the first half. New Hampton led 37-21 at the break.

"The first game back after break didn't go how we planned. We implemented our new defensive scheme. During the Summer-Fred game that didn't go well," said Ewert. "We refined it over practice this week and we really got going."

Rausch substituted five-for-five in the first half to keep bodies fresh in an attempt to speed up the game and turn loose his squad's relentless defensive pressure.

"It's just like the Iowa Hawkeyes' press. We're not trying to get steals, we're just trying to slow the ball up the court and just take time off the shot clock so teams have less time to get in their possessions and get their sets run," said Ewert.

NH junior guard Braxton Bundy once again provided a solid contribution off the bench for New Hampton with 14 points. He drained two 3-pointers and leads the team in three-point shots made (19) and 3-point field goal percentage (51 percent). That's near a top-10 percentage in all of Class 2A as it's ranked 12th.

"Our older guys have been great leaders. It's very easy when you're 1-8 to lose leadership and we have not. Tonight's an example of where we've built some good depth. That depth is going to have a chance to help win us games," said Rausch.

New Hampton forced 19 Clarksville turnovers.

"Any time you can send a couple Wile E. Coyotes out there defensively and rebound is great. You send Kye, Ethan (Carter) and Carson (Laures) out there - that's pretty good," said Rausch.

Clarksville's late charge to get back in the game was led by senior guard/forward Sam Hoodjer, who was 2-14 from long range but finished with a game-high 29 points on 11-30 shooting from floor. Hoodjer, who also grabbed 12 rebounds versus the Chickasaws, played alongside Ewert on an AAU team from a few years back.

"He's a good player," said Ewert. "He almost got them back in the game by himself."

NH senior forward Reid Rausch, junior guard Caden Rochford and freshman forward Carson Laures each finished with eight points apiece. Kye Rausch, another freshman for New Hampton at his guard slot, pumped in seven points on 3-for-5 shooting.

"Our freshmen are fearless," said Ryan Rausch. "Part of the reason for that is our older guys have instilled that in them. Our older guys are confident in those guys. They take it at each other in practice and they respect that. They feel like they're a valued part of this team."

January affords hoops teams on the prep level in the state of Iowa the chance to redeem themselves for all that's gone wrong prior to the calendar flipping over to another year.

Such was the case with the New Hampton girls team as well.

New Hampton (2-8) got down early - trailing 12-4 at one point in the first quarter - but exploded for an 11-0 run with 5:59 left in the second quarter to take a 15-12 advantage. A 20-2 run helped New Hampton build a 24-17 lead at intermission.

"To continue to fight through small battles, that can be monumental at times - we made them a molehill tonight and we buried them," said NH head coach David Leichtman. "We fought like 'Saws fight.'"

New Hampton didn't relinquish its second-half lead until Paige Kampman's three-pointer from the top of the key with 4:13 left in the contest gave the Indians (6-3) the lead back at 35-33.

New Hampton was up two at 40-38 with 14 seconds remaining, Clarksville's press caused a turnover that led to a layup by Hannah Wangsness and the game was suddenly tied at 40-40. Clarksville was actually looking to foul, but an ill-advised pass created by Clarksville's pressure defense caused the miscue and gave them new life.

"Small things have prevented us from winning games. Our record could be completely opposite if some things come together for us," said Leichtman. "We build our synergy early in the season, but no matter what - it's good to win. It's good for these kids. They needed that. They work hard every day."

The extra session saw New Hampton outscore Clarksville 13-7 - no points bigger than junior guard Ava Leichtman's three-pointer from the top of the key with 2:01 left in the extra stanza that pushed New Hampton's lead back up to



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New Hampton's Jackie Pickar (above) drives in the lane and Jake Schwickerath (below) fights for a loose ball in last week's games in Clarksville.



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46-41. Six made free throws in as many tries - four made by Leichtman - helped give New Hampton cushion and its second win of the year.

"I knew it was our game ... even though we went into overtime," said Ava Leichtman. "We all worked really, really hard."

Leichtman led the Chickasaws with 21 points and nailed 3-of-7 shots from long range.

New Hampton senior guard Jackie Pickar was on point in the scoring department as she did not miss a shot in four tries and finished with 12 points. Pickar would foul out in the second half though and wasn't able to compete in the overtime session.

### NEW HAMPTON GIRLS 52, CLARKSVILLE 44

NH	11	13	9	7	12	-	52
CL	12	5	10	13	4	-	44
Ava Leichtman 6-19 6-8 21, Jordan Thronson 4-11 1-2 9, Cora Schwickerath 1-6 0-0 2, Jackie Pickar 4-4 4-6 12, Chloe Weigel 2-7 2-4 6, Tegan Dungey 0-0 0-0 0, Kayme Hackman 0-2 0-0 0, Caycee Crawford 1-5 0-0 2, Aleigha Cahoy 0-5 0-2 0. Totals 18-59 13-22 52.							

3-point field goals - Leichtman 3-7, Schwickerath 0-1, Weigel 0-2.

Rebounds - Thronson 13, Leichtman 10, Schwickerath 9, Weigel 7, Cahoy 7, Pickar 3, Crawford 2.

Assists - Schwickerath 4, Weigel 2, Cahoy 2, Thronson 2, Crawford 1.

Steals - Thronson 4, Weigel 4, Cahoy 2, Crawford 1, Schwickerath 1, Pickar 1.

Blocks - Weigel 2, Schwickerath 1, Thronson 1.

### NEW HAMPTON BOYS 69, CLARKSVILLE 58

NH	18	19	13	19	-	69
CL	10	11	13	24	-	58

Jake Schwickerath 2-9 0-0 4, Caden Rochford 3-10 1-2 8, Adam Ewert 5-9 2-2 12, Ryan Willadsen 0-0 1-2 1, Reid Rausch 3-8 0-0 8, Ethan Carter 2-2 0-0 5, Kye Rausch 3-5 0-0 7, Carson Laures 4-6 0-2 8, Braxton Bundy 3-6 6-7 14, Jacob McDonald 1-2 0-0 2.

3-point field goals - R. Rausch 2-7, Bundy 2-4, K. Rausch 1-2, Carter 1-1, Rochford 1-5, Schwickerath 0-3, Ewert 0-2, Laures 0-1.

Rebounds - R. Rausch 5, K. Rausch 4, Laures 4, Schwickerath 4, Rochford 4, Willadsen 4, Ewert 3, McDonald 3, Carter 1, Bundy 1.

Assists - Bundy 3, K. Rausch 2, R. Rausch 2, Rochford 2, Schwickerath 2, Ewert 1, Willadsen 1, McDonald 1.

Steals - Laures 4, K. Rausch 2, Bundy 2, Rochford 2, Schwickerath 1, Ewert 1, Willadsen 1, R. Rausch 1.

Blocks - Laures 1, Rochford 1.

# New Hampton girls drop a pair at home

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The frustrating part for David Leichtman is he saw "glimpses" in both Saturday's game against Aplington-Parkersburg and Monday's tilt against Kee High.

"We have stretches where you're thinking, 'All right, this is the kind of team we can be.' If we could somehow take those five minutes here, those five minutes there and put it together for a whole game, we'd have something," the New Hampton coach said.

Instead, the Chickasaws couldn't build on the momentum that Leichtman hoped they had gained with an overtime victory at Clarksville Thursday as Aplington-Parkersburg pulled away for a 79-44 victory and Kee used a strong second half to gain a 54-45 victory.

Start with the matinee game on Saturday against a Falcons team that came to New Hampton with a 7-2 record. The Chickasaws hung in there early and trailed just 15-12 late in the first quarter before A-P used a 7-3 run to build the lead to 22-15. Still, New Hampton battled back and trailed by just two midway through the second quarter before the Falcons closed the half with another big run that gave them a 43-28 lead at the break.

"They're obviously a really good team," Leichtman said, "but at least in the first half, or at least for most of the first half, I thought we battled them pretty well."

The second half, though, was all A-P as the Falcons outscored New Hampton 36-16.

Chloe Weigel led the Chickasaws with 15 points, which included a 3-for-5 shooting performance from 3-point range while Ava Leichtman and Cora Schwickerath both finished with 10 points.

Two days later, New Hampton played maybe its best quarter of the season as it outscored Kee 17-12 in the second frame. A 15-6 run late in the frame gave New Hampton a 24-22 lead, but that would be the high water mark for the home team.

The Hawks held New

Hampton to just one field goal in the first seven minutes of the second half, and although Leichtman had 14 points in the fourth quarter, the best the Chickasaws could do was get the lead down to seven.

Leichtman finished with a game-high 24 points, Aleigha Cahoy and Jordan Thronson led the way on the board with eight rebounds apiece and Kayme Hackman dished out four assists and had four steals.

"It's disappointing in that we didn't defend the home court very well these last two games," the New Hampton coach said, "but the hustle was there and the effort was there. We just need to find a way to put a full game together."

The Chickasaws will return to the court on Friday with a home game against Waukon.

### APLINGTON-PARKERSBURG 79, NEW HAMPTON 44

AP	22	21	20	16	-	79
NH	15	13	8	8	-	44

Ava Leichtman 4-11 1-1 10, Jordan Thronson 2-4 0-0 5, Cora Schwickerath 4-10 0-1 10, Jackie Pickar 2-8 0-1 4, Chloe Weigel 5-9 2-3 15, Jersey Pemble 0-0 0-0 0, Tegan Dungey 0-2 0-2 0, Kayme Hackman 0-2 0-0 0, Caycee Crawford 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 17-48 3-8 44.

3-point field goals - Weigel 3-5, Schwickerath 2-5, Thronson 1-1, Leichtman 1-3, Hackman 0-1.

Rebounds - Weigel 6, Leichtman 5, Pickar 5, Thronson 4, Schwickerath 3, Crawford 2, Pemble 1.

Assists - Weigel 3, Schwickerath 2, Leichtman 2, Pickar 2, Thronson 1, Hackman 1.

Steals - Pickar 3, Crawford 3, Schwickerath 1, Weigel 1, Hackman 1.

### KEE HIGH 54, NEW HAMPTON 45

Kee	12	12	14	16	-	54
NH	7	17	6	15	-	45

Leichtman 9-19 2-3 24, Thronson 2-6 0-0 4, Schwickerath 0-2 0-0 0, Pickar 0-8 4-6 4, Weigel 2-8 0-0 5, Hackman 1-5 0-2 2, Crawford 1-2 2-4 4, Aleigha Cahoy 1-7 0-1 2. Totals 16-57 8-16 45.

3-point field goals - Leichtman 4-9, Weigel 1-7, Cahoy 0-1, Hackman 0-1, Schwickerath 0-1, Thronson 0-1, Pickar 0-2.

Rebounds - Cahoy 8, Thronson 8, Pickar 5, Leichtman 3, Weigel 3, Schwickerath 2, Crawford 2, Hackman 1.

Assists - Hackman 4, Weigel 3, Schwickerath 3, Cahoy 2, Thronson 1.

Steals - Hackman 4, Weigel 3, Schwickerath 3, Cahoy 2, Thronson 1, Leichtman 1.

Blocks - Schwickerath 2, Weigel 1.

# New Hampton Lions mat tourney gearing up for second try on Feb. 8

The 46th Annual Lions Individual Wrestling Tournament in New Hampton, which was originally scheduled for last month, will take place on Saturday, Feb. 8.

The Lions postponed the Dec. 14 tournament after an ice storm hit the area, but new registrations are being taken.

There will be five divisions from pre-kindergarten thru sixth grade - including a girls only division - that will compete in the new competition gym at New Hampton High School.

A four-person round-robin style format will award a trophy to first place and medals for second, third and fourth place in each weight class.

The entry fee is \$20, and walk-ins will be accepted during the day of the tournament.

One can register online at [www.teamsideline.com/newhamptonia](http://www.teamsideline.com/newhamptonia).

# Chickasaw girls finish third at 'sneaky tough' tournament

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Tuesday of this week versus Aplington-Parkersburg/Grundy Center, North Butler/Clarksville, Oelwein and Central Elkader.

Ciavarelli had this to say about the Central Tournament - where his squad locked horns with some of the better wrestlers in the state in the semifinal round - specifically the Rams of Southeast Polk, one of the top dual teams in all of Class 2A.

"I would say that the Central Tournament is a sneaky tough tournament. The teams there, besides Southeast Polk, do not have a lot of full lineups, but some really good individuals," said the NH/TV coach. "I believe we kind of fit that mold as well and that makes for some weights that are very competitive."

After winning the first tournament of her young career at Denver, freshman 235-pounder Ava Trende (23-7) made it 2-2 the past two weeks with another blue-ribbon finish. She recorded three first-period pins - the first of those falls coming in just 13 seconds - to raise another gold medal to the rafters.

Three Chickasaws each placed third in freshman Drey O'Brien (110 pounds, 21-16), sophomore Sophie Glaser (130 pounds, 28-9) and junior Kelly Thronson (145 pounds, 10-3).

Glaser was ranked eighth at 135 pounds according to the first set of rankings released by IA Wrestling earlier this winter. Glaser, along with Trende, are NH/TV's most consistent wrestlers according to Ciavarelli.

"They both have a lot of confidence in their style of wrestling. When they walk out to wrestle they have a plan and they run their plan. I really like

and that's what happened," Ciavarelli added.

Thronson, who like Glaser is a returning state qualifier, pinned Zoey Uhlenhopp (30-11) of AP/GC in 3:21 in her third-place medal match. Glaser won by technical fall over Isabelle White of Postville by a score of 17-0 to secure third place. O'Brien stuck Maya Bormann of Dubuque Wahlert in the second period at the 2:43 mark for her third-place medal.

The rest of NH/TV's squad - freshmen Addison Neville (100 pounds, 9-17) and Vanessa Salas (115 pounds, 10-14) - are a prime example, regardless if they didn't place, of how Ciavarelli wants his squad to conduct themselves both on and off the mat.

"I preach about pride in where you're from, learning from wins and losses, having fun and building our self confidence to achieve our goals. This group gets it. They have each other's backs and have helped each other become better," said Ciavarelli.

### TEAM SCORES

Southeast Polk 271, Crestwood 143, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 115.5, AP/GC 109.5, St. Ansgar 88, Summer-Fredericksburg 85, Dubuque Wahlert 83, MFL MarMac 82, Waukon 82, Mineral Point 66, North Fayette Valley 65, Central Elkader 60.5, Postville 54, Oelwein 52, Bellevue 45, Riceville 32, Fenimore 31, North Crawford/Seneca 31, Don Bosco 28, Starmont 22, Nashua-Plainfield 13, South Winneshiek 12.

### NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100 - Addison Neville did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Maleena Sander (SF) tech. fall Neville, 17-0. Cons. Round 2 - Evelyn Geerds (APGC) pinned Neville, 1:40.

105 - Taelynn Bass placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Bass pinned Liliana Cortes (POST), 5:10. Semifinal - Kara Kennedy (CR) pinned Bass, 1:37. Cons. Semi - Bass pinned Denver Mezera (WAU), 0:49. 3rd Place Match - Kylie Belinsky (SF) pinned Bass, 0:59.

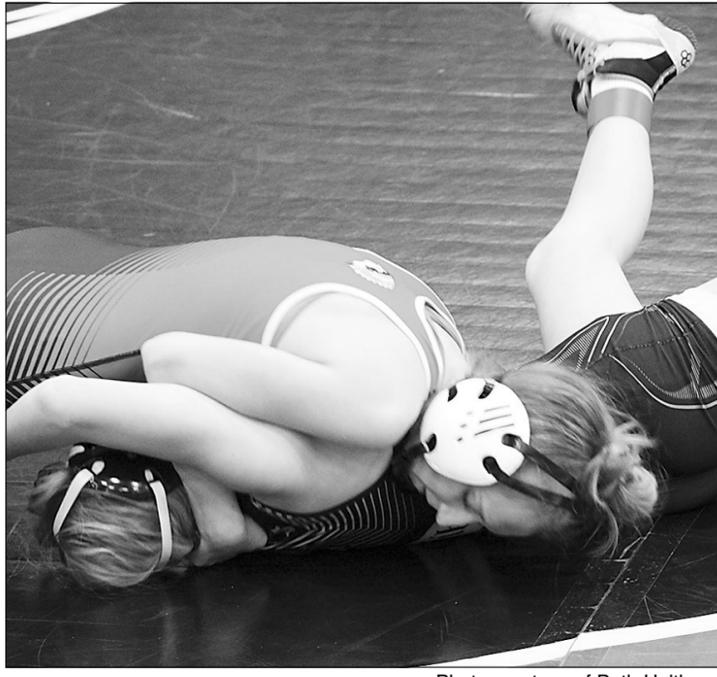


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# New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Taelynn Bass picks up back points during a match at the Denver Invitational that was held Jan. 4.

110 - Drey O'Brien placed third. Champ. Round 1 - O'Brien pinned Veda Torkelson (MFL), 1:08. Quarterfinal - O'Brien pinned Maya Bormann (DUB), 1:25. Semifinal - London Vermillion (SEP) pinned O'Brien, 4:53. Cons. Semi - O'Brien pinned Addison Donahue (WAU), 0:49. 3rd Place Match - O'Brien pinned Bormann (DUB), 2:43.

115 - Vanessa Salas did not place. Champ. Round 1 - Cameryn Judisch (SF) pinned Salas, 1:50. Cons. Round 2 - Aurora Brookes (SEP) pinned Salas, 3:57.

125 - Harper Humpal placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Humpal pinned Odessa Olyoe (SW), 3:03. Semifinal - Addie Nelson (SEP) dec. Humpal, 5-3. Cons. Semi - Humpal pinned Karlee Henry (CR), 1:28. 3rd Place Match - Amelia Walk (SA) pinned Humpal, 1:11.

130 - Glaser placed third. Champ. Round

1 - Glaser pinned Emerie Parkes (SF), 0:54. Quarterfinal - Glaser pinned Grace Recker (BELL), 1:23. Semifinal - Arabella Varvel (SEP) pinned Glaser, 0:54. Cons. Semi - Glaser pinned Charlotte Koether (MFL), 3:24. 3rd Place Match - Glaser tech. fall Isabelle White (POST), 17-0.

145 - Kelly Thronson placed third. Quarterfinal - Thronson pinned Nevaeh Bloker, 5:58. Semifinal - Skylar Slade (SEP) pinned Thronson, 1:47. Cons. Semi - Thronson pinned Cadence Freymiller (FENN), 4:42. 3rd Place Match - Thronson pinned Zoey Uhlenhopp (APGC), 3:21.

235 - Ava Trende placed first. Round 1 - Trende pinned Chloe Kunde (BELL), 0:13. Round 2 - Trende pinned Olivia Seay (DUB), 1:52. Round 3 - Trende pinned Haylee Yager (MIN), 1:17.

# Chickasaw wrestlers reap 'rewards' at tournaments

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said, "and Moudry showed us that you're never out of a match anymore. It's big for his confidence, I can tell you that much."

Cajthaml breezed into the finals, where he met Burlington Notre Dame's Kaiden Dietzenbach, and although he was pinned in the second period by Iawrestle's top-ranked 138-pounder, it was the Chickasaw who got the first takedown of the match.

The pin came as a result of what Paulus called a "borderline slam," but the NH/TV coach said that Cajthaml will use the match as a springboard.

"I think it's going to motivate Carter," he said. "He tasted that he can go toe-to-toe with the best in the state. I would have loved to see that go the distance because really, it was three, five seconds that cost him and he'll learn from that."

Shekleton and Tank, meanwhile, earned trips to the finals with impressive semifinal victories over Dyersville Beckman wrestlers. Shekleton pinned 21-4 Preston Hunter while Tank came up with a third-period fall over 22-3 Cody Hageman.

"We beat a lot of kids with really good records yesterday," Paulus said Sunday afternoon, "and I think that shows how much our schedule is paying off for us. We wrestle a lot of good, quality teams, and we're telling our guys all the time that we don't care about our own wins and losses as much as we do with development."

NH/TV's also got third-place finishes from Dominick Reicks at 113 and Roy Barron at 215. Reicks' third-place match against MFL MarMac's Tacoma Washington, who is 18-4, Reicks stormed out to a 10-0 lead early in the second period, saw Washington rally to within 13-11 midway through the third quarter and then pulled away for a 21-11 win.

"It shows you how much of a roller coaster ride wrestling can be," Paulus said, "but the lesson is that he fought off his back and didn't get pinned. Both Reicks and Moudry, I think, learned a lot."

As did the rest of his wrestlers — both in Delhi and Elkader. At the latter, Colin Shatek, Israel Ortiz, Aiden Zeien, Cade Carpenter, Carter Dreckman, Aidan Eichenberger, Caleb Utley and Austyn Kleppe all came away with championships in their brackets.

"We're so raw that we really needed a day like this," Paulus said. "The guys have been working really hard — I mean maximum effort every day in the room — but sometimes, you need some rewards and we got some. You know, everyone figured Jesup would blow us out of the water [for second], but our guys kept fighting and grinding."

The NH/TV coach paused for a moment.

"We're heading in the right direction and now we just have to keep it going."

## TEAM SCORES

Burlington Notre Dame 293, New Hampton/Turkey Valley 193.5, Jesup 190, Starmont 100.5, Maquoketa Valley 100, East Buchanan 93, MFL MarMac 92.5, Dyersville Beckman 87, Midland 84.5, Cascade 57.

## NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

113: Dominick Reicks placed third. Quarterfinal - Reicks tech fall Chance Neal (S), 18-3. Semifinal - Ayden Bergman (J) pinned Reicks, 0:36. 3rd Place Match - Reicks maj. dec. Tacoma Thompson (MMM), 21-11.

120: Ty Moudry placed second.

Semifinal - Moudry dec. Max Devore (J), 8-6. 1st Place Match - Colt Boyles (BND) pinned Moudry, 4:19.

126: Xander Meyerhoff placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Meyerhoff pinned Jack Kluesner (DB), 1:10. Semifinal - Cooper Hinz (J) pinned Meyerhoff, 0:57. Cons. Round 3 - Meyerhoff pinned Sean Hansen (BND), 0:59. 3rd Place Match - Jared Glendening (BND) pinned Meyerhoff, 2:37.

132: Braidon Schaufenbuel placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Keyten Jacobsen (J) pinned Schaufenbuel, 1:58. Cons.

## Chickasaws gear up for Saturday's Doc Carr Duals

After a month-long road odyssey, the New Hampton/Turkey Valley boys wrestling team finally will get a chance to wrestle at home Saturday when the Chickasaws host the annual Doc Carr Duals.

"It's just the way our sport works," NH/TV coach Matt Paulus said. "You can go a long time between home meets so it's going to be good to get back to our own gym and the wrestling's going to be really good."

The field for Saturday's tournament includes Class 2A fourth-ranked Clarion-Goldfield-Dows and Class 1A eighth-ranked Denver, as well as Waterloo West and Aplington-Parkersburg/Grundy Center.

NH/TV will have a bye for the first round of the tournament and then will wrestle four straight duals at the tournament that is named in honor of Paulus' grandfather, the late Dr. James Carr, who was a state champion for the Chickasaws in 1957 and who was a lifelong supporter of the wrestling program at his alma mater.

The dual tournament kicks off a rare homestand for the Chickasaws, who will join the girls team in hosting Decorah for dual meets on Thursday, which will also serve as Senior Parent Night.

Round 2 - Schaufenbuel pinned Nolan Zaehringer (M), 0:45. Cons. Round 3 - Schaufenbuel dec. Hudson Popham (S), 9-4. 3rd Place Match - Jacobsen (J) pinned Schaufenbuel, 3:13.

138: Carter Cajthaml placed second. Quarterfinal - Cajthaml pinned Lane Lambert (BND), 0:42. Semifinal - Cajthaml tech fall Bryce Carroll (Ca), 21-5. 1st Place Match - Kaiden Dietzenbach (BND) pinned Cajthaml, 2:38.

144: Jayden Bucknell placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Bucknell pinned Rylan Schroeder (MMM), 2:47. Semifinal - Kyle Engelken (MV) dec. Bucknell, 12-8. Cons. Round 3 - Bucknell tech fall Rylan Graves (M), 21-6. 3rd Place Match - Kaden Lange (J) won by medical forfeit over Bucknell.

150: Jax Shekleton placed second. Quarterfinal - Shekleton pinned Kipton Thompson (MV), 1:30. Semifinal - Shekleton pinned Preston Hunter (DB), 3:09. 1st Place Match - Kael Cook (BND) maj. dec. Shekleton, 9-1.

157: Tate Schwickerath placed fourth. Quarterfinal - Wyatt Christiansen (M) pinned Schwickerath, 2:16. Cons. Round 2 - Schwickerath pinned Derek Farmer (S), 0:59. Cons. Round 3 - Schwickerath maj. dec. Wyatt Renner (J), 12-4. 3rd Place Match - Christiansen (M) pinned Schwickerath, 2:28.

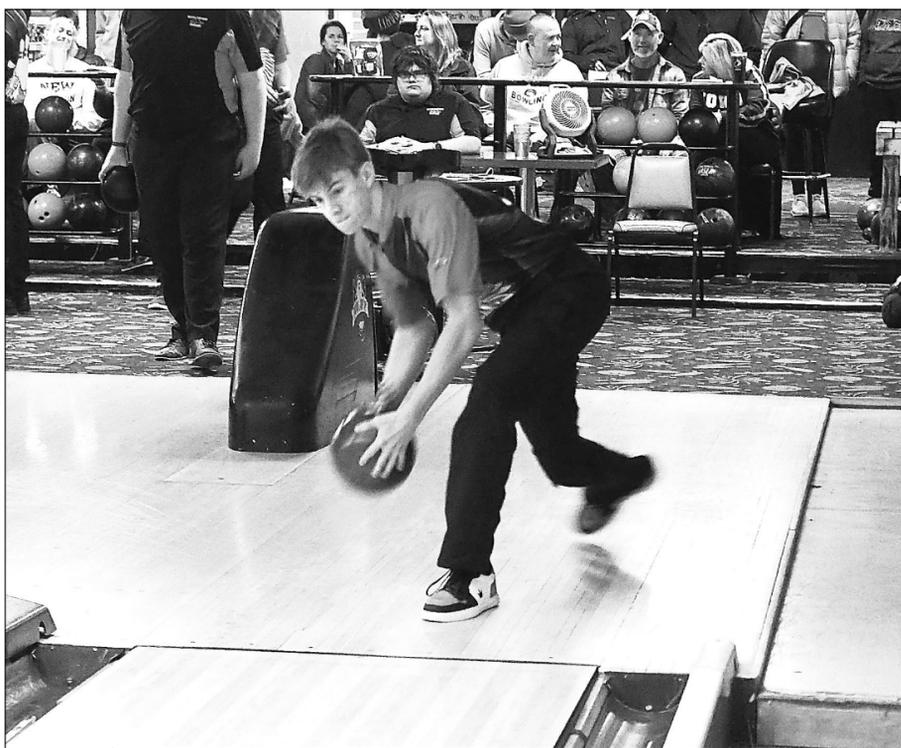
165: Chase Humpal placed sixth. Quarterfinal - Blake Wilson (BND) pinned Humpal, 0:47. Cons. Round 2 - Humpal pinned Dalton Africa (MV), 5:24. Cons. Round 3 - Maxx Solie (J) pinned Humpal, 1:44. 5th Place Match - Andrew Roling (DB) tech fall Humpal, 16-0.

175: Lohen Tank placed second. Quarterfinal - Tank pinned Joey Glendening (BND), 3:07. Semifinal - Tank pinned Cody Hageman (DB), 5:09. 1st Place Match - Dane Ballou (M) maj. dec. Tank, 13-1.

190: Jackson Kellogg placed sixth. Quarterfinal - Gabe Augustine (S) pinned Kellogg, 3:48. Cons. Round 2 - Kellogg OT dec. Henry Milbert (DB), 12-9. Cons. Round 3 - Cason Rausch (Ca) pinned Kellogg, 3:30. 5th Place Match - Augustine (S) pinned Kellogg, 5:24.

215: Roy Barron placed third. Quarterfinal - Barron pinned Dracen Howe (MMM), 1:30. Semifinal - Nathan Beitz (MV) pinned Barron, 0:58. Cons. Round 3 - Barron pinned Collin Hacke (M), 1:58. 3rd Place Match - Barron pinned Howe (MMM), 2:36.

285: Chase Gebel placed sixth. Quarterfinal - Gebel pinned Isaac Davis (BND), 2:50. Semifinal - Erik Boge (DB) tech fall Gebel, 16-0. Cons. Round 3 - Mason Roder (DB) pinned Gebel, 1:42. 5th Place Match - Isaac Davis (BND) pinned Gebel, 3:14.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton's Charlie Kriener (above) gets ready to roll his ball down the lane while Sophia Rivera (below) resets the pins during Friday's meet against Tripoli.

# Chickasaws face key test Friday

NH BOWLING: FROM 16

"They're way over exceeding my expectations right now," said Aries. "It's just a matter of whether they can learn to keep their heads on their shoulders and not looking too far forward."

Aries wants to keep his team grounded, as he knows all too well success can be fleeting if you don't respect your opponent and continue to grind away with a team-first demeanor.

"Bowling's like anything. Anybody can come in and have a great day," said the NH head coach. "What they see on stats online is not what we need to be doing. We need to be focused on the next meet and the next meet only. You don't need to worry about what they shoot and what they do, because anything can happen."

What the stats show is that New Hampton, statistically speaking, is one of the better squads in the entire state. That means a showdown this Friday at Comet Bowl against perennial-power Charles City (3-1) looms large and will tell a lot about each squad.

"There's a lot of season left. To me our season's pretty much just beginning. We're about half way through the season, it's a beginning thing now. I believe they can strike with any team in the state. Our spare shooting to me is our biggest issue," said Aries.

New Hampton senior Kody Kleen — who broke the school record recently with a 288 high game — once again rose to the top of the leaderboard with a 459 series. His 257 opening game was followed by a 202.

Chickasaw senior Landon Marr was next with a 414 series, followed by NH senior Jamison Porath's 392. Sophomore Charlie Kriener (374) and Jaxon Porath's 366 were the final two scores that counted toward New Hampton's team total.

After a sub-par opening baker game of 163, New Hampton caught fire with a 290. The Chickasaws kept the train chugging along with a 224, then went above and beyond that with a 234, followed by a 219. That averaged out to a fantastic 226 baker average.

"They started off not picking up spares. I'm very pleased with what they shot. I'm obviously disappointed in the first game. It's the little things that make the difference and they seem to jump in there and go with it," said Aries.

The New Hampton girls (1-5) lost to Tripoli, 1,975 to 1,295.

Chickasaw senior Zoey Dreckman, in her first year of organized bowling competition, led New Hampton with a 256 series. Her high game was



137. Cassidy Meyerhoff, a sophomore, shot an opening-round game of 135 to finish with a 225 series. McKenzie Herzberg, a junior, accumulated a 210 series and fellow junior Sophia Rivera tallied a 196 series.

Aries had this to say about his NH girls squad, which aimed to improve on their games in a home meet that took place at Bowlaway Lanes on Tuesday versus Sumner-Fredericksburg.

"They're very coachable and open to suggestions on how to do stuff, but they're ones when you go to a meet they'd rather have me stay down by the boys," said Aries. "Unless there's a big issue, then they'll have me come down. They'd rather just do their thing and that's what they do. Some days are good, some days are bad — just like everybody has. That's how bowling goes."

## TRIPOLI 1,975, NEW HAMPTON GIRLS 1,295

Medalist - Kayla Milius, Tripoli 146-175-321. New Hampton scores - Zoey Dreckman 119-137-256, Cassidy Meyerhoff 135-90-225, McKenzie Herzberg 116-94-210, Sophia Rivera 111-85-196.

## NEW HAMPTON BOYS 3,135, TRIPOLI 2,163

Medalist - Kody Kleen, New Hampton 257-202-459. New Hampton scores - Kleen 257-202-459, Landon Marr 214-200-414, Jamison Porath 200-192-392, Charlie Kriener 151-223-374, Jaxon Porath 209-157-366, Connor Stumme 144-160-304.



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New Hampton's Landon Marr (center) talks with the Porath brothers, Jaxson and Jamison, as they wait for their turns to bowl Friday.

# Slow start costs Chickasaw boys dearly in non-conference loss to Kee High

By BOB FENSKE  
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It's never a good sign when a basketball team has to burn two timeouts in the first two minutes of a game.

Case in point: New Hampton's boys squad on Monday night when coach Ryan Rausch tried to stop an early Kee High onslaught, but it was to no avail as the Hawks traced out to a 23-2 lead on their way to an 80-45 victory in a non-conference game.

Kee scored at will early, scoring 30 points in the first quarter and adding another 23 in the second quarter to take a 50-25 advantage into the break, and any hope of New Hampton having its first winning streak of the season dissipated.

"Honestly, I have no words," New Hampton coach Ryan Rausch said after his team, coming off a win over Clarksville on Thursday, fell to 2-9. "Frustrating doesn't begin to describe it."

Kee hit eight 3-pointers in

the first half and when the Hawks weren't connecting from beyond the arc, they were scoring on run-outs.

New Hampton was playing without its second leading scorer, Caden Rochford, who was out with an illness.

The Chickasaws showed some signs of life in the third quarter as Braxton Bundy hit a trio of 3-pointers to spark a 12-8 run but the truth of the matter is the game was all but over by then.

Bundy would finish with a

team-high 11 points while freshman Carson Laures added 10 points.

New Hampton will look to rebound on Friday night when it will be seeking its first Northeast Iowa Conference win during a home game with Waukon.

## KEE HIGH 80, NEW HAMPTON 45

Kee 30 23 17 10 - 80  
NH 8 17 15 5 - 45

Jake Schwickerath 1-2 2-2 4, Adam Ewert 1-9 0-0 3, Braxton Bundy 4-12 0-0 11, Jacob McDonald 0-2 1-2 1, Reid Rausch 0-3 0-0 0, Ethan Carter 2-4 4-5 8, Kinnick Wisner 0-0 0-0 0, Kye Rausch 1-3 0-2 0, Carson

Laures 3-10 4-5 10, Trenton Horner 0-1 0-0 0, Ryan Willadsen 1-3 1-2 3, Dylon Schmitt 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 14-52 12-16 45.

3-point field goals - Bundy 3-7, Carter 1-2, Ewert 1-5, Horner 0-1, K. Rausch 0-2, R. Rausch 0-3.

Rebounds - Carter 5, Laures 3, McDonald 3, Willadsen 3, Ewert 2, Bundy 1, Schmitt 1, K. Rausch 1, R. Rausch 1.

Assists - Ewert 3, Laures 2, Willadsen 2, Carter 2, K. Rausch 1, Bundy 1, R. Rausch 1.

Steals - Schwickerath 2, Bundy 2, Wisner 1, K. Rausch 1, Ewert 1, Laures 1, Willadsen 1, Schmitt 1.

Blocks - Bundy 1.

## ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

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

NH/TV girls and boys wrestling at Charles City, 6:15 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton girls and boys bowling at Charles City, 4 p.m.

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

New Hampton basketball vs. Waukon, JV girls at 4:15 p.m., JV boys at 5:30, girls varsity at 6:45 and boys varsity at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

NH/TV boys JV wrestling at Independence tourney, 9 a.m.

NH/TV varsity wrestling vs. Aplington-Parkersburg/Grundy Center, Clarion-Goldfield-Dows, Denver and Waterloo West at Doc Carr Duals, 10 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton girls and boys basketball at Columbus Catholic, JV girls at 4 p.m., JV boys at 5:15, varsity girls at 6:15 and varsity boys at 8 p.m.

Turkey Valley JV and varsity boys basketball at Wapsie Valley, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

New Hampton 9th boys basketball at Waukon, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN 23

NH/TV girls and boys wrestling vs. Decorah, (Senior Parent Night) 5:30 p.m.

## BOWLING

### COFFEE CUP

STANDINGS	W	L
Mid-Tech Services	42	18
Vern Laures Auto	35.5	24.5
Geerts Plumbing	31	29
Dak's Tap	27	33
Hugeback-Johnson	23.5	36.5
Rochford Insurance	21	39

### JAN. 8 RESULTS WEEK 15

Dak's Tap 4, Hugeback-Johnson 0  
Mid-Tech 4, Vern Laures 0  
Geerts Plumbing 3, Rochford Insurance 1

### LEADERS

#### High individual games:

Diane Nehl 246, Rita Geerts 233, Kristy Kirkus 224.

#### High individual series:

Nehl 674, Geerts 583, Kirkus 564.

#### High team games:

Tap 518, Geerts Plumbing 472, Rochford Insurance 449.

#### High team series:

Dak's Tap 1,373, Mid-Tech Services 1,261, Geerts Plumbing 1,237.

#### MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)

Rita Geerts 65, Karen Denner 61.

#### MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)

Diane Nehl 107.

Karen Schmitt, Secretary

## Chickasaw Women's Pool

Week 12 Jan. 8

	W	L	GB
Kenny's Tavern I	61	47	0
Kenny's Tavern II	61	47	0
Bowlaway Lanes	59	49	2
Dak's Tap I	59	49	2
Hide A Way	57	51	4
NH Country Club	55	53	6
Dak's Tap II	40	68	21
The Office	40	68	21

### RESULTS

Kenny's Tavern I - 6, NH Country Club - 3  
Hide A Way - 7, Dak's Tap I - 2

Dak's Tap II - 5, Bowlaway Lanes - 4

Kenny's Tavern II - 7, The Office - 2

### THREE-GAME WINNERS

Hide A Way - Helen Geerts & Candy Schoba  
Dak's Tap II - Chelsea Sweitzer & Jasmin Hillegas  
Kenny's Tavern II - Michelle Rosonke & Jess Heying



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Trojan sophomore forward Bella Stika (above) fights through traffic on Tuesday night versus MFL MarMac while Annika Bodensteiner (below) drills one of her two 3-pointers on the evening. MFL won a thriller over TV, 40-37.

# Turkey Valley girls suffer heartbreak

MFL MarMac hits late 3-pointer to claim 40-37 win in battle of UIC's top teams

By KELLY TERPSTRA  
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Sole possession of the Upper Iowa Conference lead was on the line Tuesday night in Jackson Junction.

MFL MarMac versus Turkey Valley.

The league showdown did not disappoint, but unfortunately for Trojan hoops fans the visiting Bulldogs prevented TV from making a clean sweep of the team that resides in Monona in the much anticipated rematch from well over a month ago.

Bulldog sophomore guard Emme Wikner slipped a screen and drilled a 3-pointer from the wing with five seconds remaining in the thrilling contest. That ended up being the shot of the night and sent the Bulldogs back to Clayton County in a happy mood.

MFL (9-5) now sits alone the UIC with a mark of 9-1 after just edging Turkey Valley (8-4, 8-2) in game that many thought would come down to the wire and that's exactly what transpired.

The final score was 40-37 in MFL's favor - but like most nail-biters, each team had its opportunities to pull out the all important win.



"They made a play that they needed to," said TV head coach Steve Hoffert. "We had our chances. When we needed to make a play we just came up short tonight."

Hoffert - whose squad defeated MFL in the second game of the season 45-40 clear back in early December - talked about the game's final tense moments.

"We were supposed to switch everything and we didn't. We talked about switch everything - it doesn't make any difference who it is. If you got a screen, you gotta switch it and we got hung up on the screen," said Hoffert about the eventual game winning shot by MFL. "That left her wide open for the shot."

TV's attempt to win or tie the game - down 38-37 - was

a long baseball pass into the corner of the Trojans' side of the court near the baseline that was corralled by MFL. Emma Driscoll's two free throws with 1.4 seconds remaining each found the bottom of the net for the eventual three-point win.

TV's Addison Steinlage flung a three-quarter shot that was in line for the rim, but veered wide left as the final buzzer sounded.

One thing is for certain - Hoffert's team kept swinging until the final bell sounded, regardless of MFL's knockout punch that seemingly floored the Trojans.

"It was two evenly-matched teams. Our girls don't back down from anything. They're up for any challenge," said Hoffert. "I just like the fight these girls have."

TV trailed 18-14 in the first half, but led for a large portion of the back-and-forth game that witnessed numerous lead changes and ties.

Turkey Valley led 35-31 after sophomore center Ellaney Bodensteiner's bucket down low rang true with 1:30 left on the clock in the final period. Driscoll's two free throws tied it at 34-34 with 53 seconds left. TV's Annika Bodensteiner answered with a shot made good near the rim to give TV a 37-35 lead with 24 seconds left.

**MFL MARMAC 40, TURKEY VALLEY 37**

MFL 11 8 9 12 - 40  
TV 10 9 11 7 - 37

Hazel Nieman 0-2 0-0 0, Addison Steinlage 1-9 0-0 3, Annika Bodensteiner 5-8 1-1 13, Layni Schuchhardt 1-5 0-0 3, Emersyn Hoffert 0-4 0-0 0, Kendall Kuennen 0-0 0-0 0, Bella Stika 3-8 2-4 8, Delaney Busta 0-1 1-2 1, Ellaney Bodensteiner 3-5 3-3 9. Totals 13-40 7-10 37.

3-point field goals - A. Bodensteiner 2-5, Steinlage 1-2, Schuchhardt 1-3, Hoffert 0-2, Stika 0-1.

Rebounds - Stika 12, E. Bodensteiner 7, Steinlage 4, A. Bodensteiner 3, Busta 2, Nieman 1.

Assists - A. Bodensteiner 2, Stika 2, Steinlage 1, Schuchhardt 1, E. Bodensteiner 1.

Steals - Nieman 1, Schuchhardt 1, Hoffert 1, Kuennen 1, Stika 1, Busta 1.

Blocks - E. Bodensteiner 2, Hoffert 2, Stika 1, Busta 1.

# Trojans claim two UIC wins, fall to ranked Riceville

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The Turkey Valley Trojans are in the driver's seat of the Upper Iowa Conference standings - although they're sharing the wheel with the Bulldogs of MFL MarMac.

The pair of UIC squads share identical league marks - but TV did hold the tiebreaker with a 45-40 win over MFL (8-5, 8-1) back in the first week of December.

Regardless - the two leaders of the pack in the UIC played on Tuesday in Jackson Junction, a key game that obviously went a long way to determine the league championship.

Turkey Valley (8-3, 8-1) rolled over league also-rans West Central (52-19) last week Tuesday and Postville (82-22) on Friday.

The in-between non-conference game at home versus No. 5 Riceville on Thursday went the way of the Wildcats by a score of 37-25.

Riceville (10-1) held TV to a season-low point total of 25 points on 6-46 shooting - just 13 percent from the field.

TV netted a season-high point total against Postville (0-12, 0-9) and exploded for 30

points in the opening period on the road versus the Pirates.

The Trojans shot over 50 percent from the field and had five players in double-figure scoring.

Those standout performers were Ellaney Bodensteiner (career-high 14 points), Addison Steinlage (13), Bella Stika (10), Delaney Busta (10) and Emersyn Hoffert (10).

Stika and Busta snared 10 rebounds apiece while Bodensteiner grabbed eight boards versus the Pirates.

Steinlage led the charge for the Trojans versus the two-win Blue Devils (2-9, 1-7) with 13 points. Hoffert was perfect from the field (4-4) and tallied eight points.

Stika came up with 14 rebounds versus Riceville and 11 versus West Central.

**TURKEY VALLEY 52, WEST CENTRAL 19**

TV 17 25 7 3 - 52  
WC 4 6 5 4 - 19

Hazel Nieman 3-5 0-1 9, Addison Steinlage 5-6 1-2 13, Annika Bodensteiner 0-5 3-3 3, Madalyn Vsetecka 0-1 0-1 0, Layni Schuchhardt 1-4 0-1 2, Ella Ives 0-2 0-0 0, Emersyn Hoffert 4-4 0-2 8, Kendall Kuennen 1-2 0-0 2, Brynlee Hayek 0-1 1-2 1, Bella Stika 1-8 4-11 6, Miyah Byrne 0-1 0-0 0, Delaney Busta 1-3 0-3 2, Ellaney Bodensteiner 3-8 0-0 6. Totals 19-50 9-26 52.

3-point field goals - Nieman 1-1, Steinlage 2-2, A. Bodensteiner 0-2, Vsetecka 0-1, Schuchhardt 0-1, Stika 0-2, Byrne 0-1, Busta 0-1.

Rebounds - Stika 11, E. Bodensteiner 6, Busta 5, Hoffert 5, A. Bodensteiner 3, Steinlage 2, Ives 2, Kuennen 2, Hayek 2.

Assists - Stika 5, Steinlage 2, Hoffert 2, Busta 1, E. Bodensteiner 1.

Steals - Stika 3, Nieman 3, Steinlage 3, A. Bodensteiner 1, Kuennen 1, Hayek 1, Busta 1.

Blocks - Ives 1, Hoffert 1, Busta 1.

**RICEVILLE 37, TURKEY VALLEY 25**

Rice 9 14 6 8 - 37  
TV 9 4 9 3 - 25

Steinlage 3-17 2-3 9, A. Bodensteiner 0-5 2-2 2, Schuchhardt 0-4 0-0 0, Stika 2-6 1-2 5, Busta 0-1 1-2 1, Nieman 0-1 0-0 0, Hoffert 1-8 0-0 3, Ives 0-0 0-0 0, Byrne 0-0 0-0 0, E. Bodensteiner 0-4 5-8 5. Totals 6-46 11-17 25.

3-point field goals - Steinlage 1-9, Hoffert 1-4, A. Bodensteiner 0-5, Schuchhardt 0-2, Busta 0-1.

Rebounds - Stika 14, Busta 6, Schuchhardt 5, E. Bodensteiner 5, Hoffert 2, Steinlage 1, A. Bodensteiner 1, Nieman 1.

Assists - N/A.

Steals - Stika 2, Busta 1, E. Bodensteiner 1.

Blocks - Steinlage 1, A. Bodensteiner 1, Stika 1.

**TURKEY VALLEY 82, POSTVILLE 22**

TV 30 21 22 9 - 82  
Post 7 4 6 5 - 22

Steinlage 5-11 3-4 13, A. Bodensteiner 3-5 0-0 9, Schuchhardt 1-4 0-0 2, Stika 5-11 0-1 10, Busta 5-5 0-0 10, E. Bodensteiner 7-13 0-0 14, Nieman 2-3 2-2 6, Hoffert 5-7 0-0 10, Kuennen 0-3 0-0 0, Hayek 1-1 2-2 4, Ives 2-3 0-0 4, Byrne 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-68 7-9 82.

3-point field goals - A. Bodensteiner 3-5, Steinlage 0-4, Schuchhardt 0-1, Stika 0-1, E. Bodensteiner 0-1, Kuennen 0-1.

Rebounds - Stika 10, Busta 10, E. Bodensteiner 8, Hayek 5, Hoffert 4, Ives 3, Steinlage 1, A. Bodensteiner 1, Nieman 1.

Assists - Steinlage 6, Schuchhardt 3, Kuennen 3, A. Bodensteiner 2, Stika 1, Busta 1, Nieman 1, Hoffert 1, Hayek 1, Byrne 1.

Steals - Stika 5, Kuennen 2, Nieman 2, Steinlage 2, A. Bodensteiner 1, Busta 1, E. Bodensteiner 1, Hoffert 1.

Blocks - E. Bodensteiner 1.

# Turkey Valley boys kick off gauntlet by going 2-for-3

Kriener is red hot from the field as the Trojans top West Central and Riceville before falling to Postville

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The Turkey Valley Trojans are going to run a gauntlet to get to the end of January - the heart of the prep basketball season in the state of Iowa.

That means John Izer's Upper Iowa Conference boys hoops team will play three games in four days for three consecutive weeks.

That's a lot of hardwood contests in a relative short amount of time.

The Trojans (5-6, 3-5) hung tough through week one of the "meat grinder" and came away with two victories versus West Central (1-11, 0-7) and Riceville (5-7). The end of the week saw the Trojans travel to Postville last Friday and get down by more than 20 points early, only to storm back to cut the contest to a one possession game early in the fourth quarter.

But in the end - a week's sweep of games would be denied by the Pirates as there was just no gas left in the tank for Izer's young squad.

Despite that setback - these Trojans have made tremendous strides after the Christmas break.

"Right now we're just trying to win games and we put it all into the Riceville game and we had heavy legs for Postville," said Izer.

TV was 1-4 at one point during the season, but has now won four out of its last six games. Now the task at hand is to potentially knock off a favored team in an upset or at the very least - hang tough with the big dogs, so to say.

TV encountered a "large fish" in the "pond" that is the UIC on Tuesday night at home versus MFL MarMac (9-2, 7-1). Then it's a day off before hosting Tripoli (1-9) tonight (Thursday) and then Kee High (6-5, 5-3) the following evening on Friday night.

"The model last week was

win the week. The model this week is compete," said Izer. "It's time to make somebody want to stay for the end of the third quarter and the start of the fourth - be within some realistic striking distance. Yeah, go win the game - that'd be awesome. We gotta compete."

TV blitzed West Central in Maynard last week Tuesday by a score of 72-41. Then the Trojans took down Riceville on Thursday, 69-64, before succumbing to Postville an evening later on Friday on the road, 60-52.

"We're so young we had to learn how to win," said Izer. "Then I believe we have to learn how to win after we win."

The Trojans scored a season-high point total against the winless Blue Devils on their home court. TV junior J.D. Kruse was a perfect 8-8 from the free-throw line and led all scorers with 21 points. Logan Busta, another junior forward for Izer, cranked out 17 points. He snared seven rebounds, and came up with five assists and five steals.

"I told 'em we were 20 points better than them and if we win this game by 12 we would be disappointed. We went over there and just took care of 'em," said Izer about the West Central win. "It was a great win. We played a good game. We were rollin' right there."

TV held Riceville senior guard Johnny Adams to 16 points in that victory - eight below his average of over 24 points a game. He was 7-26 from the field and connected on just one of seven 3-point attempts.

"We had a good game plan on defense for that Johnny Adams. He's a pretty good player," said Izer. "We contained him."

Kruse again had an outstanding game versus the Wildcats with 20 points and 10 rebounds. Busta notched

SEE TV BOYS, 12



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Turkey Valley's Jayden Rausch makes a move to the hoop on Tuesday night against MFL MarMac.

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## New Hampton boys shine again on lanes

Chickasaws win their fourth straight with a home rout of Tripoli at Bowlaway Lanes

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The records continue to fall and the wins keep piling up. New Hampton's historic season out on the lanes this winter continued last Friday night at home with an emphatic win over Tripoli by well over 900 pins – 3,135 to

2,163. In the process the Chickasaws and head coach Andy Aries broke more school records. The most impressive? Take your pick. New Hampton shattered the single baker game record with a near perfect game of 290 and rolled past Tripoli by a

whopping 972 pins – also an all-time best mark in terms of margin of victory for the program, which has only been in existence for three seasons.

New Hampton, now 5-1 on the year, also broke the school record for highest baker series (1,130).

**SEE NH BOWLING, 14**



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton's Ava Leichtman leads a fast break in the Chickasaws' overtime road victory against Clarksville last week.

## Chickasaws double up fun

New Hampton basketball teams snap long losing skids with a road sweep at Clarksville

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Last Thursday in Clarksville was New Hampton's night.

The non-conference girl/boy hoops road doubleheader was an opportunity to prove to anyone watching or following the Chickasaw basketball program that New Hampton can close out games and put itself in the win column.

It was definite must-win mode for these NEIC squads against the smaller school from the Iowa Star Conference's North Division.

New Hampton passed the test and more importantly notched two victories that will give these two particular sub-500 squads the needed confidence to rise above the challenges they face and perhaps turn seasons around.

No matter how they got it done, each respective squad

earned W's as the NH girls outlasted Clarksville in overtime, 52-44, while the Chickasaws boys' squad also held off a late Indian charge for a 69-58 non-conference triumph.

"It was time to go," said NH boys head coach Ryan Rausch about the much-needed win.

New Hampton, now 2-8 on the 2024-2025 season, is coming off a two-win campaign from a season ago that saw the Chickasaws lose 19 games. Equaling that win total from a year ago was obviously important and may ignite a spark the rest of this winter that could well lead to more victories.

"Like Rausch said, 'the old Chickasaws are dead,'" said NH senior guard Adam Ewert. "We're going forward and we're going to stick to what we know and what we know how to do. We're going to play the game

**SEE NH HOOPS, 13**



New Hampton boys basketball players (above) celebrate late in the fourth quarter while the Chickasaws' Ryan Willadsen (below) passes to an open teammate.



## NH/TV girls shine again on mat, take third at Central Invitational

Trende pins her way to another individual title; trio of Chickasaws battle through back side of brackets to finish third

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With a little over two weeks left before the biggest meet of the season takes place – the regional state qualifier at Osage on Jan. 31 – the New Hampton/Turkey Valley girls wrestling squad is looking strong.

These Chickasaws are working to get even better.

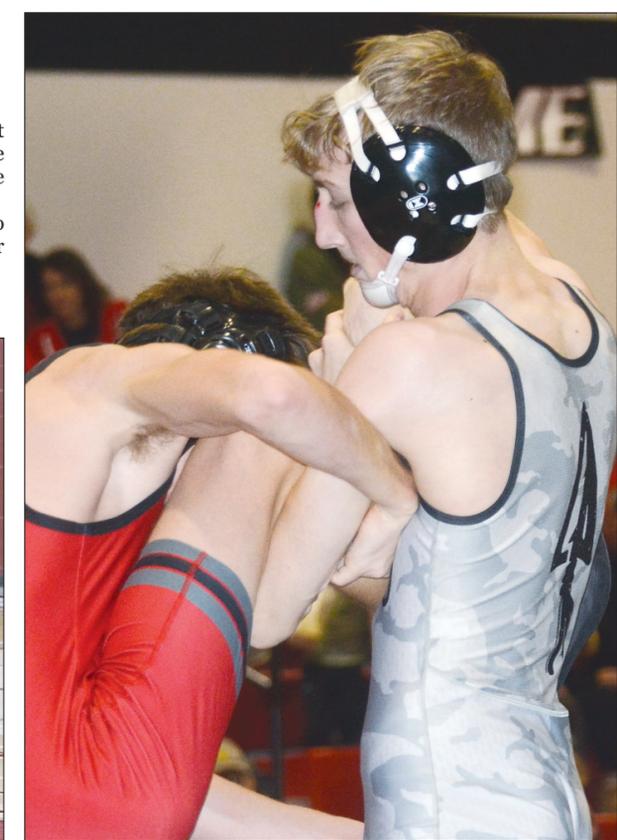
It's been a thrilling ride so far in 2024-2025

as Caleb Ciavarelli's NH/TV grapplers continue to bust through walls and break down barriers in their quest to rise as high as they can on the podium stand.

As far as podium stands go, NH/TV will compete in only one more weekend tournament after putting the Central Invite in the books last week Friday in Elkader. That was another top finish for the Chickasaws as they placed third – behind Class 2A behemoth South Polk (1st place, 271 points) and NEIC rival and runner-up Crestwood

(143 points). The Chickasaws notched 115.5 points for back-to-back third-place finishes at weekend invites after placing third at Denver on Saturday, Jan. 4.

The rest of the regular season will focus on two remaining NEIC duals – at Charles City and home against Decorah before heading back to Elkader to take part in another Warriors' home invite on Friday, Jan. 24 in



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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Ty Moudry works on finishing off a takedown during a dual against Union last month.

## Chickasaws see more growth at Maquoketa Valley tourney

New Hampton/Turkey Valley's three runners-up and 13 placewinners add up to runner-up finish at Farr Jebens

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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's boys wrestling team has plenty of work to do in the next few weeks, but the Chickasaws showed just how much progress they are making with what their coach called a "pretty darned good day" Saturday.

The Chickasaws' varsity had all 13 wrestlers place at Maquoketa Valley's Farr Jebens Invitational as NH/TV finished a surprising second in the team standings, and the junior varsity crowned eight champions at a tournament hosted by Central Elkader.

"It shows we're improving, and I think it really helped us that we had a full week of practice last week," NH/TV coach Matt Paulus said. "They're learning, and I think going through the hard times has made this a close-knit group. They're buying into it, they've come together and they've really made some giant strides in the last month."

Take that Farr Jebens Invitational, for example. Burlington Notre Dame romped to the team title with 293 points, but the Chickasaws held off a good Jesup team for second, edging the Hawks 193.5-190.5 in the team standings.

NH/TV had four finalists – Ty Moudry (120), Carter Cajthaml (138), Jax Shekleton (150) and Lohen Tank (175) – and while none of them came home with a first-place finish, they all had impressive days.

But maybe none more than Moudry, who trailed 6-0 heading into the third period of his semifinal match with Jesup's Max Devore, who came into the tournament with an 18-4 mark. Moudry, though, was undeterred, scoring a quick escape to start the third period and then executing a seven-point move – a three-point takedown and four-point nearfall – to rally for an 8-6 win.

"The new rules, [they're] such a game changer," Paulus

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