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City Council moves back to full strength

Schwickerath named to fill at-large vacancy; police chief receives the go-ahead to start K-9 program

By BOB FENSKE
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The New Hampton City Council didn't remain "short staffed" for long, thanks to an appointment — one unanimously approved by council members — made by Mayor Steve Geerts at the start of Monday night's meeting. Geerts' appointment of Kerstin Schwickerath, a 2015 graduate of

New Hampton High School, came two weeks after At-Large Councilwoman Katie Fisher resigned her seat at the conclusion of the council's Jan. 20 meeting. After the council approved the appointment, Schwickerath, who works at Office World and has been an active volunteer with New Horizons-Chamber, took the oath of office and her seat on the council for a meeting

that included city leaders giving Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl the OK to start a K9 program and also approved the police department's participation in a program that will allow it to lease a side-by-side vehicle at no cost, save for insurance and maintenance costs. During an interview earlier on Monday, Schwickerath said she's always had a passion for politics and had considered "throwing my hat in

the ring" and running for a City Council seat this year. "I've always been a big political junkie," she said, "although in high school, it was more at the federal level, but the last two, three years, I've really kind of dove into the local, the city. I'm one of those people who likes to go to the meetings and reads all the

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minutes. ... When I saw that Katie was resigning, I was interested right away. I could dip my toes into it and see how it goes."

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ON TO STATE!

New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Sophie Glaser is overcome with emotion as she hugs Chickasaw coach Caleb Ciavarelli after she claimed the 130-pound title at the Class 1A regional tournament last Friday night. Glaser and teammate Ava Trende begin wrestling at the state tournament today (Thursday) in Coralville. **See STORY, Page 16**

Memorial bench will honor fallen officer

Former Chickasaw County deputy takes the lead in project that will become a reality this spring

By BOB FENSKE
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It was a cold winter's night when Bill Meadows took the phone call on his farm northwest of Plainfield. There was trouble brewing in town. Two men could be seen inside the Hartman Packing Plant, where a loud explosion had just been heard, and the town marshal was needed. Meadows quickly dressed and

shouted to his aunt, Edna Voss, that he'd "be back." He never returned and this spring, more than 64 years after that fateful day, Meadows will be forever memorialized when a bench is dedicated in

Meadows

Plainfield's Veterans Park. "I remember when it happened, and it was such a shock to all of us," said former Chickasaw County Sheriff's Deputy Doug Strike, "and you know, last year, I was looking through old clippings and stories from that night and I thought to myself, 'This man needs to be memorialized.' And here we are." Strike found plenty of allies — chiefly Plainfield resident Ken Deike

and city leaders like Mayor Tom Geise — and began fundraising for both a memorial bench and a headstone for Meadows' gravesite at a Waverly cemetery. "People have been really supportive," Strike said, "and we're grateful for that. The older folks in town, they still remember that night, but the younger ones, the future

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School districts set to interview superintendent candidates today

By BOB FENSKE
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School board members from New Hampton and Turkey Valley, as well as community members from both school districts, will have a busy day today (Thursday) as they will conduct the "finalist interviews" for the shared superintendent position. The list of finalists, however, has changed since they were first announced last week. That's because Charles City resident Josh Johnson, who currently serves as the director of secondary education for Waterloo Community Schools, withdrew his candidacy earlier this week after he was offered and

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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

A night showcasing dance!
Belle Broughton performs a solo during the New Hampton Dance Showcase that was held last week. **See MORE PHOTOS, Page 2**

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Wrapping up Catholic Schools Week
Archbishop Thomas Zinkula leads the Friday Mass that capped Catholic Schools Week at St. Joseph Community School. **See MORE PHOTOS, Page 4**

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New Hampton boys pick up another bowling victory on Senior Night

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A night to celebrate another great dance season!
Members of the New Hampton High School dance team (above) perform their state placewinning hip-hop routine while Austyn Rosonke (right) brings her solo to a dramatic finish during last week’s Dance Showcase that wrapped up another successful dance season.



The Dance Showcase also featured potential future dance team members as two sets of Rhythm Rascals — grades 1-2 (left) and grades 3-4 (above) — and soloist Annalise Hackman (right) perform.



Dance team members (left) wrap up their state championship prop routine during the Dance Showcase, where the squad’s two seniors — Aurora Paladini and Cinetta Schwickerath (right) — were honored at the end of an event that included 24 different routines.





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Sixty-four years later, murder of Plainfield town marshal remains unsolved

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generations, they should know the story of Bill Meadows.”

WILLIAM LAWRENCE Meadows was born on Oct. 3, 1924 to Dr. Lawrence and Jeanne Meadows in Clear Lake, Washington, and grew up in the Seattle area where his father had his general practice.

During World War II, he served as a staff sergeant in the 776 Bomb Squadron of the Army Air Forces during the Italian campaign and then served his country again during the Korean War.

In 1949, he moved to Iowa to work on the farm belonging to Voss’ grandfather in Bremer County and after returning from his service in Korea, he became the Plainfield Police Department’s only officer.

He served as the town’s marshal mostly at night, but he also patrolled — in his own car, by the way — during school dismissal times and at softball games.

According to an article written by Nancy Bowers in September 2011 for the website iowaunsolvedmurders.com, then-Plainfield Mayor Edwin Waltemate said the job was almost a “hobby” for Meadows, but he took his work seriously and performed his duties with “fairness and firmness.”

Strike recalled the story of an eye injury suffered by Deike. When Meadows responded to the call, Strike said “Bill took one look at him, put him in the car and said we’re not going to wait for the ambulance.” They rushed to a nearby hospital, and when doctors said they couldn’t do any more for Deike, “Bill drove him to Iowa City to make sure he got the care he needed. That’s the kind of guy he was — always going above and beyond.”

EARLY IN THE morning hours of Jan. 23, 1961, the call came into the home Meadows shared with his aunt.

Meadows raced to town, thinking it might just be kids being mischievous.

When Meadows arrived at the packing plant, he got out of his car, and with his pistol attached to his belt, grabbed his sawed-off shotgun and walked through the front door of the burglarized business.

It would be the last steps he would ever take. One of the two perpetrators heard Meadows and fired a shot.

“A few weeks before, some kids had broken into a store and taken some little trinkets,” Strike said, “and I’m guessing Bill thought it was just kids being kids, but he walked into the front door and they dropped him with a high-powered rifle right through his heart.”

Bill Meadows, a man who served his little town in peace as well as he served his country during war, was 36 years old.

AT ALMOST THE same time that Meadows was shot, the plant’s owners, Ted and Kenny Hartmann arrived and parked behind the plant.

According to Bowers’ online story, the two brothers watched a short, stocky man run out of the building and duck behind a gas tank. The man fired a shot that whizzed past Ted Hartmann’s head before both suspects headed north behind the Roach Farms building, shooting as they went.

The next morning, Plainfield residents stood outside the plant with its broken door and shot-out windows and tried to come to grips with the news that their town marshal was dead.

“The town misses its marshal,” Mayor Waltemate said.

Donations still being taken for memorial

Although enough money has been raised to pay for both the memorial bench and a headstone for Bill Meadows’ gravesite, donations are still being accepted.

Doug Strike, the former Chickasaw County sheriff’s deputy who is heading up the fundraising, said additional funds will be used to help with possibly purchasing a wreath for the Plainfield park where the bench will be located and also to help with landscaping and maintenance.

“We have a few extra things that we can use,” Strike said, “so if anyone out there wants to help out, we’d really appreciate it.”

Donations — checks should be made out to the Bill Meadows Memorial Fund — can be sent to Doug Strike, 2689 Amhearst Pl., Nashua, IA 50658.

It will miss him more as time goes on.”

Sixty-four years later, Strike said he still feels the sense of loss Plainfield suffered that day.

“He was a solid member of the Plainfield community,” Strike said. “He was a scout master, he would go into their little general store, buy kids candy all the time and give it to them. He just had a knack for dealing with people. All these years, I’ve never heard anyone who knew Bill Meadows say one single bad word about him.”

MEADOWS IS ONE of 220 Iowa peace officers who have died in the line of duty, but the crime that took his life remains unsolved to this day.

It’s one reason Plainfield’s current mayor was so supportive when Strike approached him about the bench that will be dedicated in memory of the fallen marshal.

“I hope, more than anything, that this will lead to a break in the case,” said Geise, who said each year the Plainfield City Council declares a “Bill Meadows Day” on the anniversary of the marshal’s death. “He deserves to be remembered and his family, I hope, can find some resolution.”

“I know it’s been a long time, but someone, I really believe, knows something that could help solve this case.”

ON SATURDAY, MAY 10, the memorial bench will be dedicated at the park that is located just off the intersection of Highway 188 and Plainfield’s Main Street.

Strike said that he appreciates both the donors and the work the city of Plainfield has put into making the dream of memorializing Bill Meadows a reality.

“We’ve had phenomenal response,” the retired law enforcement officer said, “and although it’s obviously a sad chapter, it’s part of Plainfield’s history. We’re hoping for a nice crowd to honor the memory of Bill.”

Following the ceremony, a reception with refreshments will be held at the Plainfield Public Library, and if all goes well, the fallen town marshal’s family will be represented at the ceremony.

“We looked and looked and looked for family,” Strike said, “and we finally found a nephew — he’s 82 — in the Seattle area. And he remembers Bill very well and told us he’s so touched that we still remember his uncle.”

Strike paused for a moment. “And he deserves to be.”



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As Councilwoman Kalista Porath and Mayor Steve Geerts look on, newly-appointed City Council member Kerstin Schwickerath takes the oath of office from City Clerk Karen Clemens on Monday evening.

Police chief says new K9 will have ‘more capabilities’

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After Fisher, whose term runs until the end of this year, resigned, city leaders had two options — call for a special election or file a “notice of intent to appoint” her replacement — and they chose the latter.

“I’m excited to be a part of the council, and my goals are just to do my best for our city and the people who live here,” Schwickerath said. “It, in my opinion, is a great way to give back to a great community.”

Schwickerath said that she agreed with the council’s decision to appoint, in large part because of the cost of a special election that could approach \$2,000. Voters, however, do have 14 days from her appointment to file a petition calling for a special election.

“I’m ready to go to work and do what’s best for New Hampton,” she said.

And she and her fellow council members did just that on Monday during a meeting in which Rosendahl and the Police Department dominated the agenda.

The police chief presented both the expenses and a list of grants and donations that would allow the department to bring a K9 to the force without using taxpayer funds for the start-up costs.

Rosendahl said that the department has received \$30,000 in what he called “secured funding” and said that there was

another \$4,000 donation from Croell Inc. that he termed “unsecured funding.”

“Basically, they told me when we need the money,” Rosendahl said, “to come out and see them and they’d write a check.”

The start-up costs include \$12,500 for the purchase of a K9 dog and \$11,000 for the cost of training both the K9 and the handler. Rosendahl estimated that \$1,500 would be needed for training equipment, \$1,200 for food per year and \$9,511.53 to outfit a current department vehicle to serve as a K9 vehicle.

Councilwoman Mindy Humpal said she just wanted to make sure that the city wasn’t “duplicating services” because the Chickasaw County Sheriff’s Office already has a K9 unit.

“The county does currently have a K9. Theirs is a single-purpose K9, which is narcotics only,” Rosendahl said. “This K9 is going to be dual purpose, which means it’s going to be for narcotics but it’s also going to be for apprehension-slash-bite and search and rescue. So this K9 has more capabilities than the K9 the county currently has.”

He also pointed out that just because the county has a K9 unit, that doesn’t mean New Hampton always has access to it.

Rosendahl said that Officer Darby Stone is “very much interested in the K9” and will in all likelihood serve as the NHPD’s K9 handler.

Finalist takes Roland-Story job; NFV principal to interview

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accepted the superintendent’s position at Roland-Story.

But two of the original finalists — former Nashua-Plainfield Elementary School Principal and PCM Superintendent Michelle Havenstrite and former Nashua-Plainfield High School Principal and current AGWSR Superintendent Erik Smith — will be interviewed today.

So, too, will Micah Gearhart, who has

been a principal in the North Fayette Valley district since 2014.

New Hampton School Board Treasurer Christy Roethler said that “both boards had spoken at our last meeting about a possible candidate if this were to happen.” She said Gearhart accepted the invite and will partake in today’s interviews that not only include face-to-face interviews with the board members and community members but also tours of both school districts.

New Hampton Board President Jay

Matthews said a joint school board meeting will be held tonight after the interviews are concluded, but he added that the boards won’t announce the new superintendent until the successful candidate accepts the position.

New Hampton and Turkey Valley began the search for a new shared top administrator this past fall after current Superintendent Jay Jurrens announced that he would retire at the end of the 2024-25 school year.

Briefs

Plum Creek to host reception for current exhibit’s artist on Feb. 16

The Plum Creek Art Center in Fredericksburg is hosting a special exhibit of the work of local artist, Teresa Schmitt, on Sunday, Feb. 16.

Schmitt’s creations are on display from now until the end of March at the Connie Mohr Gallery, and all are welcome to the open house reception that will run from 1 to 3 p.m. and include refreshments.

Schmitt is a native of the St. Lucas area and now lives in Lawler. A graduate of Turkey Valley High School and Upper Iowa University, she said she always wanted to be an artist.

As a child she loved coloring and painting with acrylic and oil paints. Now her favorite mediums are charcoal drawing and working with clay polymer. Her exhibit at Plum Creek Art includes some amazingly finely detailed clay earrings in beautiful colors.

DNR to discuss hunting season

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is hosting a series of town hall-style meetings where local staff provide updates on recently completed hunting seasons, discuss possible changes to hunting rules and regulations, and address other topics as requested.

Locally, the Iowa DNR will be at the The Pub on the Cedar, 101 North Jackson Street in Charles City, on Feb. 18 and at the Waverly Public Library, 1500 W. Bremer Ave., in Waverly, on Feb. 17; with both programs starting at 6 p.m.

A meeting at the Franklin W. Olin Building, Room 102, Luther College, 700 College Drive, next to the Prues Library, in Decorah, will be held on Feb. 18 at 7 p.m.

“We want people to come out, listen to the hunting season’s reviews, ask questions and hear directly from our staff,” said Todd Bishop, chief of the Iowa DNR’s Wildlife Bureau. “Part of the meeting will be devoted to discussing potential rule changes and collecting feedback as we work through the rules process.”

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ISU Extension Council organizes, elects officers for the year

Four officers were elected during the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Chickasaw County Extension Council organizational meeting Jan. 28.

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Mike Nehl, Alta Vista, was elected vice chairperson.

Diane Brown, Ionia, was elected secretary and Mary Schrandt-Prouty, New Hampton, to the treasurer position.

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He wrote to continue his teaching and even sometimes sent some other people to visit with the people.

In the chapter 12 of 1 Corinthians, Paul is writing to remind them of the spiritual gifts given to the people of Corinth. God's gifts are given to each person according to what God deems they need.

We are told that we know how the gifts work because we understand how our body works.

We have many parts — limbs, organs, and cells — but together it is still just one body. All the parts work together for the good of the body.

The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as a church: every part dependent on every other part, the parts we mention and the parts we don't, the parts we see and the parts we don't.

If one part hurts, every other part is involved in the hurt, and in the healing. If one part flourishes, every other part enters into the exuberance. As we are the body of Christ, we then all have jobs to do as given to us according to our gifts.

When Paul wrote to those in Corinth he invited them to work together to conduct a wellness check. He starts out with some of what's wrong but shifts to what is going well within the community. Much like when we visit our doctor for a wellness visit.

This definition of our visit lets us emphasize what good is happening, even though the "what's wrong" is usually covered at some point as well.

The thought of the visit as a wellness check helps us feel like we are a member of the team seeking to achieve positive outcomes together ... that we are not alone.

In the same way, we are, as the body of



Pastor Sue Cira serves Immanuel Crane Creek Lutheran Church in rural Lawler and is also a transitional pastor at Trinity Lutheran in New Hampton.

Christ, a part of the whole — a member of the team. No one is better than the other. No one is inferior to the other. We are all necessary. We all have our gifts and all our gifts are useful and necessary. Thanks be to God.

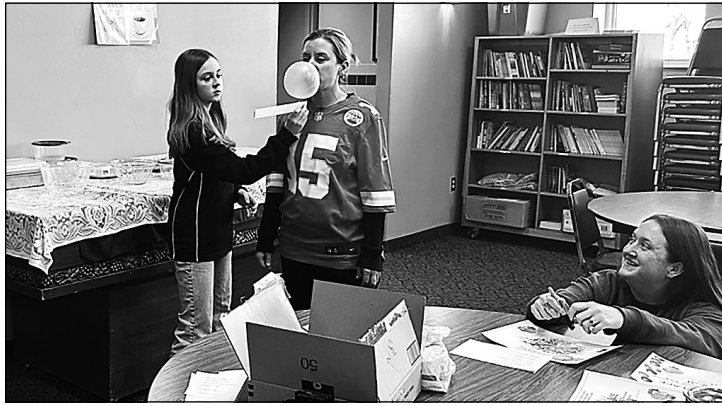


Wrapping up a great week at St. Joe's!

Father Jim Goerend administers a blessing to St. Joseph Community School student Josie Eichenberger during the Mass that culminated Catholic Schools Week at the New Hampton school.

The week included the school's annual Bubble Gum Contest, where Rylie Rochford (below) measures Jackie Rochford's "entry" and a trip to the Cedar Valley Sportsplex, where Reese Edson, Annabelle Baker and Artemis Maddox (above right) play a card game while Kaden Abbas (below right) gets ready to hit the water after going down a slide.

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Pastor Sarah Namukose
Service time: 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

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

CEDAR POINT CHURCH

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

ST. MICHAELS CHURCH

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

ST. JOHN'S UCC - PLEASANT HILL

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

LAWLER

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

IMMANUEL CRANE CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

FREDERICKSBURG

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

PEACE UCC CHURCH

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

WAUCOMA

ST. MARY CATHOLIC

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

ST. LUCAS

ST. LUKE CATHOLIC

215 East Main
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, Feb. 16, 10:30 a.m.

PROTIVIN

HOLY TRINITY

124 N. Main St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, Feb. 16, 8:30 a.m.

LITTLE TURKEY

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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

CLARKSVILLE

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

You Can Put More into Your 401(K) This Year

Once you retire, you'll likely need to draw on a variety of financial sources — and one of the most important ones may be your 401(k). And for 2025, you can put even more money into your plan than ever.

You can invest in your 401(k) in one of two ways, depending on your employer's plan. With a traditional 401(k), you contribute pre-tax dollars, which can lower your taxable income, and your money can grow tax deferred. If you have a Roth 401(k) option, you can contribute after-tax dollars, which aren't deductible, but your eventual withdrawals will be tax-free if you've had your account at least five years and you're at least 59½.

For either a traditional or Roth 401(k), as well as similar plans such as a 457(b) (for government employees) or a 403(b) (for educators and employees of some nonprofit groups), the contribution limit has increased by \$500 for 2025, to \$23,500. If you're 50 or older, you can contribute an additional \$7,500, for a total of \$31,000. And under the SECURE 2.0 legislation, if you are between 60 and 63, you have a higher catch-up contribution — \$11,250, instead of \$7,500, for a total of \$34,750.

If you can afford to contribute the full amount to your 401(k) or similar plan, consider doing so. Of course, not everyone is in that position. If you're a younger worker, you may well have other financial obligations, such as paying off student loans. And even if you've been in the workforce for a while, you may be putting away money for other things — such as your children's education — as well as your own retirement. But even if you can't "max out" on your 401(k), try to contribute at least enough to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered.

Regardless of how much you contribute to your 401(k), consider these suggestions on managing the money within your plan:

- Create a portfolio that fits your risk tolerance. Most



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401(k) plans offer up to a dozen investment options, while some plans offer many more. You obviously want to increase your 401(k) balance as much as possible, but that doesn't necessarily mean putting all your 401(k) dollars into the most aggressive funds available. Instead, consider spreading your 401(k) contributions among a range of investments, which can help you lower your risk level while still giving you opportunities for long-term growth. Every-one's risk tolerance is different, though, so you'll want to evaluate yours when constructing your 401(k) portfolio.

- Adjust your portfolio as needed. It's a good idea to review your 401(k)'s investment mix at least once a year to see if it's performing as you'd hoped. But be patient — one "down" year doesn't necessarily mean you must make changes.

However, as you approach retirement, you may want to lower the risk level of your 401(k) by moving some of your dollars into more conservative vehicles. Still, even when you're retired and have started drawing money from your 401(k), you might want to keep some growth potential in it to help you stay ahead of inflation.

By contributing what you can afford to your 401(k), and by carefully managing the investments within your plan, you can help maximize the value of this powerful retirement savings vehicle — and give yourself a key asset to help you enjoy your retirement years.

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

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Burton and Edna Dietz

Dietz 65th anniversary

Burton and Edna Dietz of Nashua will mark a momentous milestone on Friday, Feb. 14 as they celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.

The couple, who were married on Valentine's Day in 1960, has over the years built a beautiful family — including five children, 13 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren, with one more great-grandchild expected soon!

As they reflect on six and a half decades of love, commitment and cherished memories, their family invites the community to share in the celebration.

Cards and well-wishes are encouraged to honor the couple and the lasting legacy of their union. Mail Cards to: 1210 300th Street, Nashua, Iowa 50658

Congratulations to Burton and Edna on their incredible journey together! May they continue to be an inspiration to all who know them.



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Turkey Valley High School announces second quarter honor roll students

The honor roll at Turkey Valley was recently released. The criteria for a student qualifying for the honor roll is obtaining a quality point average of 3.0 or above. Students receiving a "D" or "F" grade will not qualify for the honor roll.

3.75-4.0— Lauren Ball, Cooper Dietzenbach, Keira Fencil, Brody Hayek, Avery Lantow, Ashlyn Murray, Aisha Ouenas, Kinzey Rausch, Alexa Mueterthies, Annabelle Scheidel, Courtney Ball, Honora Chicken, Jocelynn DeSloover, Brynlee Hayek, Mya Ives, Caleb Kriener, Jacob Wurzer, Nicholas Bernhard, Ellaney Bodensteiner, Theresa Hanson, Ava Kuennen, Jadeyn Mueterthies, Hazel Neiman, Anna Reicks, Karsyn Reicks, Bree Balk, Hunter Kruse, Karstyn Lukes, Autumn Maklenburg.

3.50-3.74 — Lydia Chicken, Gracyn Dagit, Serenity Geisler, Liam Langreck, Kole Adams, Lauryn Dagit, Annika Kuennen, Cole Fencil, Treyton Franzen, Jordan Kriener, Mitchell Kriener, Cale Langreck, Tucker Tlusty, Isaiah Wheeler, Annika Bodensteiner, Jenna Thronsdon, Larry Vrba, Alexis Elsbernd, Calen Franzer, Brooklyn Kuennen, Kinsey Reicks, Sofia Rivera, Avery Vsetecka, Morgan Vsetecka.

3.25-3.49 - Mason Gebel, Jacob Hanson, Kesley Reicks, Alexis Gruenberg, Brady Blong, Emersyn Hoffert, Raelen Manderfield, Haylee Hanson, John Kruse, Colton Kurtenbach, Myah Adamkiewicz, Emma Brincks, Delaney Busta, Ella Drilling, Ethan Orvis, Luella Reicks, Adysen Wurzer.

3.00 — 3.24 - Easton Hackman, Madeline Rausch, Lucy Steinlage, Cidney Tiedt, Ella Carolan, Bryn Franzen, Bentley Hulbert, Callie Busta, Elizabeth Hyer, Levi Kruse, Chloe Schmitt, Madalyn Vsetecka, Kendall Kuennen, Jayden Rausch, Kaden Schmidt, Maria Klimesh, Taylor DeSloover, Kinek Reicks, Layni Schuchhardt.

University of Northern Iowa graduates

These local students graduated recently from the University of Northern Iowa. Listed is the degree or degrees the students were awarded, along with their majors.

Fredericksburg: Racheal Stimson - Bachelor of Social Work, Bachelor of Arts - Psychology.

Ionia: Brylie Boji - Bachelor of Arts, Management: Business Administration.

Lawler: Aleah Hackman - Bachelor of Arts (honors) Kinesiology and Exercise Science; Kelsey Kurtenbach - Master of Arts, Speech-Language Pathology.

Nashua: Evan Kalainoff - Bachelor of Arts, Social Science Teaching - Plan B All Social Science Teaching.

New Hampton: Ethan Orthaus - Bachelor of Arts (highest honors) Accounting; Allison Nuss - Bachelor of Arts (highest honors) Marketing: Advertising and Digital Media.

Fort Atkinson: Jacob Herold, Bachelor of Arts, Marketing: Sales Management.



Christ Our Hope Parish Mission
Thy Kingdom Come
Please join us for the Christ Our Hope Cluster Mission presented by Fr. Jewel Aytona, CPM
Monday, February 10 - Wednesday, February 12
at St. John Nepomucene Church in Ft. Atkinson

Each evening
5:30 pm Mass (optional)
6:00 pm Confessions
7:00 pm Presentation
8:00 pm Confessions

Topics include
"The Holy Eucharist: Food for the Journey"
"God's Abundant Mercy"
"The 4 Last Things."

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Tuesday	18	6	--

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high of 34 and a low of 11.

Friday: Mostly cloudy with a high of 27 and a low of 18.

Saturday: Mostly cloudy with light snow likely; high 27, low 18.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 25 and a low of 5.

Extended forecast: More of the same is on tap as we start the work week with mostly clear skies, highs in the 20s and lows dipping into the single digits.

Meetings
MONDAY
• Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors, 9 a.m., Courthouse.
• New Hampton Light Plant and Telecommunications boards, 5 p.m., New Hampton Municipal Utilities.

History

- In 1778, during the Revolutionary War, representatives from the United States and France sign the Treaty of Amity and Commerce and the Treaty of Alliance in Paris.
- In 1891, the Dalton Gang stages an unsuccessful train robbery near Alila, California — an inauspicious beginning to their careers as serious criminals.
- In 1937, John Steinbeck's novella "Of Mice and Men," the story of the bond between two migrant workers, is published.
- In 1952, after a long illness, King George VI of Great Britain and Northern Ireland dies in his sleep at the royal estate at Sandringham and Queen Elizabeth II ascends to the throne.
- In 1993, tennis champion Arthur Ashe dies of complications from AIDS.

Birthdays
• Aaron Burr, the third U.S. vice president who was later acquitted on treason charges, was born in 1756.
• Famed Confederate calvary commander J.E.B. Stuart was born in 1833.
• Legendary baseball player Babe Ruth was born in 1895.
• Ronald Reagan, the 40th president of the United States, was born in 1911.
• Jamaican reggae musician Bob Marley was born in 1945.
• Rock singer and songwriter Axl Rose, best known for his work with "Guns & Roses," turns 63.
• Former NBC News anchor Tom Brokaw turns 85.

Corrections

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

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Daniel Francis Heying, 79

Daniel Francis Heying, age 79 of North Washington, died Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025, at his home from complications of Frontal Temporal Dementia.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in North Washington with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment will follow at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, North Washington.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 10, 2025, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton.

Visitation continues an hour prior to the Mass on Tuesday at the church.

Daniel "Dan" Francis Heying was born Sept. 30, 1945, to Linus and Rita (Bohr) Heying, the oldest of six children.

He grew up on farms near North Washington, where he developed a strong work ethic and compassion for other people. He never knew a stranger. Everyone was a friend he hadn't met yet.

Dan attended and graduated from St. Mary's Catholic School in North Washington, Class of 1963. After graduation, he worked for John Deere in Waterloo until being drafted into the U.S. Army in 1965. He was honorably discharged in 1967 from Fort Bliss in El Paso Texas and immediately began farming — milking cows and raising livestock near North Washington.

Dan was united in marriage to Sharon Kay Dvorak on April 4, 1970, at Our Lady of Lourdes in Lourdes. They met at a ballgame in Elma and when they got together — Dan couldn't dance and Sharon couldn't play



Dan Heying

cards. They did both with a passion when they had free time.

Dan and Sharon not only milked cows but farmed together and welcomed two children, Kathryn Ann and Christopher Daniel. When he wasn't farming he enjoyed being with his family and especially with his grandchildren. He was officially "Grandpa with the Tractors!"

He also was a hay jockey, bringing the big bales to those that needed them, as well as chopping hay for some of his neighbors. Dan enjoyed a good "ranger ride" to check the crops and hay.

He loved his smooth-writing pens (he had his own stache!) He also loved his peanut M&M's, popcorn, a DQ Heath Blizzard and a great game of Euchre using two jokers!

Reading became a favorite pastime, especially in retirement — everything but science fiction.

Dan and Sharon also enjoyed their bus trips and visiting as many states as they could throughout the years. Dan just loved to talk to people — whether he was chauffeuring his Mennonite neighbors or sit-

James Leo Koenigsfeld, 81

James Leo Koenigsfeld, age 81 of Ionia, died Friday, Jan. 31, 2025, at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 7, 2025, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Ionia with the Rev. Jim Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Friends may greet the family an hour prior to the Memorial Service at the church on Friday.

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

Born on Sept. 5, 1943, in New Hampton, to Leo and Susan (Schmitz) Koenigsfeld, Jim's life was one of adventure, dedication and joy — leaving a legacy of love and spirited memories that will be treasured by all who knew him.

Jim grew up outside of Ionia on the family farm with his five brothers and two sisters.

He was a graduate of St. Boniface Catholic School, where he formed lifelong friendships and developed a strong foundation for his future.

After high school, Jim was drafted into the US Army and was stationed in Germany from 1965 to 1967. He was ultimately honorably discharged as the rank of sergeant.

After, he came back home and met the love of his life, Janice Lynch, during the 4th of July celebration in Ionia. Their romance blossomed, and they were united in marriage on July 7, 1973, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Hampton. Together, they built a life filled with love, laughter and shared passions in Ionia, where they resided throughout their lives.

Jim was known for his strong



Jim Koenigsfeld

work ethic, which he demonstrated throughout his career in construction and manufacturing. His skilled hands contributed to projects at John Deere, the UNI Dome and Sara Lee. From these skills he built his own home in Ionia along with a garage and workshop. His factory work included Tri-Mark, Featherlite and he ultimately retired from Winnebago, leaving behind a tangible legacy.

An adventurous soul, Jim found joy in the simplicity of outdoor life. He was an avid trout fisherman, relishing the quiet moments in the Decorah streams with a fishing rod in hand. Softball games would often find Jim on the pitcher's mound and in his later years coaching T-ball. His love for the land was evident in the huge garden he tended to each year, and as a small-time cattle farmer, he nurtured both his vegetables and livestock with equal care.

Jim's creativity shone through in woodworking and art, and he was always ready with a story or a joke to lighten the mood.

One of his most cherished

ting on the bench at Walmart or Fareway while Sharon ran errands!

Dan served as a Director for Foremost Farms as a younger dairyman, which also allowed the couple to travel.

Dan had such a deep faith and love for his church family. Throughout the years he was an active member of the North Washington's Men's Choir, served on the Immaculate Conception's Parish Council, was a Eucharistic Minister and Usher. He was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

After retiring from farming, he worked for Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home for several years and continued his service to others.

Survivors include his wife of almost 55 years, Sharon; two children, Kathy (Jason) Schaufenbuel of Waverly, and Chris (Larina) Heying of Alta Vista; two grandchildren, Ian (Courtney Hoffman) Schaufenbuel of Cedar Rapids and Erin Schaufenbuel of Waverly; five step-grandchildren; five sisters, Marlys (Raymond) Kobliska of Elma, Louise Schwickerath of New Hampton, Irene (Cecil) Bullis of Waterloo, Mary (Dave) Capper of Washington, and Rose (Doug) Ganfield of Dumont; mother-in-law, Mary Dvorak of Elma; two brothers-in-law, Jerry (Barb) Dvorak of Decorah, and Steve Dvorak of Elma; one sister-in-law, Connie (Joe) Burke of New Hampton; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Linus (1985) and Rita (2009); father-in-law, Truman Dvorak (1996); brother-in-law, John Schwickerath; nephew, Bille Kobliska; and sister-in-law, Barb Price Dvorak.

pastimes was taking his grandchildren for gator rides, sharing his love for the open air and instilling in them a sense of wonder for the natural world. His love for country-western music, Clint Eastwood movies and camping adventures with Jan were integral parts of his rich tapestry of interests.

A man of faith, Jim lived his beliefs through his actions and generosity. You could find him at church every Sunday, and in his later years made sure to keep the Sabbath holy by watching service on TV. His adventurous and handy nature made him not only a pillar in his family but also in the wider community. He had the rare ability to turn any task into an opportunity for fun, and his positivity was infectious.

Jim is survived by his wife Jan (Lynch) Koenigsfeld of Ionia; children, Stephanie (Colin) Stock of Charles City, Kristi Koenigsfeld of Freemont, Nebraska, Michael (Carrie) Koenigsfeld of Rudd, and Garret (Sheena) Koenigsfeld of Waverly; brothers, Alvin (Thelma) Koenigsfeld of Missouri and Joseph (Linda) Koenigsfeld of Ionia; sister, Florence Tilkes of Ionia; grandchildren, Cameron, Danielle, Christopher, Chandler, Kaneshia, Logan, Zabrian, Mercedie, Aaiden, Kylie, Ava, Hayden, Adelyn, Leo and Nox; great-grandchildren, Greyson, Leighton, Lucas and Brexton; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Susan (Schmitz) Koenigsfeld; brothers, John, Francis and Norb Koenigsfeld; and sister, Mary Puettman.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Property Transfers

James E. Hulne to UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST Mark D. Dungey REV TR and Jolene A. Dungey REV TR; N77.6' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 1 Block: 2 N83.2' NEW HAMPTON WEST VIEW ADDITION Lot: 2 Block: 2.

Richard Neil Reicks to Richard N. Reicks TR and Richard N. Reicks TRUST AGMT; SW 03-96-11 E/2 SW SE 03-96-11.

Thronkson Rentals LLC to Regaldo Luis Eduardo Velloz and Maria Alejandra Vivero Duenas; NEW HAMPTON ORIGINAL PLAT (NH) Lot: 3 Block: 22.

New Hampton Methodist Church to Jennifer Hovey and Walker Hovey; NEW HAMPTON CAREFREE FIRST ADDITION Lot; 4 Block: 2.

James 'Jim' Hebel, 79

James "Jim" Hebel, age 79 of Charles City, passed away at home on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025.

A funeral Mass for James Hebel was held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2025, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Charles City with the Rev. Tom Heathershaw officiating.

Burial will be at St. Adalbert Catholic Cemetery in Niles, Illinois, at a later date.

Visitation, beginning with a Rosary prayer, was from 9:30 a.m. until the start of the funeral Mass on Tuesday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

James Bernard Hebel, the son of Bernard and Mary (Pavlik) Hebel, was born on April 7, 1945, in Chicago.

He graduated from Lane Tech High School in 1964. He then obtained his bachelor's degree from Illinois Teachers College.

After college, Jim worked at Avondale School as a teacher and assistant principal.

Jim's passion was working in radio broadcasting. He was a disc jockey for radio stations in Chicago, Woodstock, Rockford, Illinois, and Saginaw, Michigan. In 1986, he followed his passion to Charles City when he bought KCHA. He then built radio stations KCZY in Osage, KCZQ in Cresco and KCZE in New Hampton.

Jim was very talented when it came to music. He knew how to play a variety of instruments and started out his career as a recording artist and producer.

In 1990, Jim married Alessandria "Sandy" Lewon. In their early years of marriage, Sandy and Jim would go danc-



Jim Hebel

ing every weekend. The couple also raised horses and dogs for shows and competitions. They attended, and won, many shows and championships around the country and Canada.

They were members of the American Quarter Horse Association and Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of America. Jim was also a member of the Elks and Rotary Club.

Living family members include his wife, Sandy; stepsons, Christopher Cole, David Cole and Eddie Cole; brother, Thomas Hebel; two sisters, Darlene Hebel Waters and Marlene Hebel Doukas; uncle, Nicholas Pavlik; along with many nephews, great nephews and nieces and other family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bernard and Mary Hebel.

Hauser Weishaar Funeral Home of Charles City is in charge of local arrangements. Online condolences may be left on the Tribute Wall for the family at www.hauserfh.com.

Doris Mae Miller, 92

Doris Mae Miller, age 92 of Alta Vista, died Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025, at Colonial Manor of Elma.

Funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, 2025, at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Hampton with the Rev. Sue Cira officiating.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, 2025, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton. Visitation continues an hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday.

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

Doris Mae Miller was born March 17, 1932, in Hanllontown and baptized in Belmond at St John's Ev. Lutheran Church on April 17, 1932. Doris is the oldest daughter of the late Harry and Martha (Barkema) Gealow.

She started her first 9 years on a farm in Belmond until 1941 when they moved to Charles City, where she built Easter baskets with sticks from around the house. She also lived by a railroad track where the engineer would throw candy at the children as they ran along side the tracks. Nashua and Ionia also served as her home in her teenage years.

She received her education at a rural county school near Ionia and Nashua until she graduated from Nashua High School in 1950. Her parents moved into Rockwell in 1953.

After high school, she went on to work as telephone operator for Northwestern Bell in Charles City. She met annually for lunch with her fellow operators for 60 years or into her 80s. She talked about those years on many, many occasions. As all young girls would do, they would spend their time looking for adventurous fun. What would they do? Go dancing at the local halls.

This is where she ran into Donald Edward Miller. On Aug. 21, 1955, she was united in marriage to Don Miller at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Rockwell.

After their marriage, they moved to the home farm to help Don's parents which they later purchased. Doris would always be hands on with the farm while having four children the first four years of their marriage. She then had two more children later on.

Doris started a new adven-



Doris Miller

ture in 1970. She didn't have enough to do so she got her license to start driving bus for the New Hampton School District. She retired in 2003 with 33 years of service.

Doris was a lifetime member of Zion Lutheran Church until the closing last year.

She had hobbies of gardening, farming and daily journaling and spent many countless hours of quilting and crocheting beautiful doilies and baby blankets, which we all have and will keep as a sacred part of our mother.

Doris and Don loved to go dancing and fishing with his brothers and their wives.

Doris is survived by their six children, Vickie Nehl of Alta Vista, Kathy (Donald) Lechtenberg of Lawler, Richard (Alice) Miller of New Hampton, Wayne (LuAnn) Miller of Sigourney, Janine Bennett of Wildomar, California, and Ronda (John) Kuehn of New Hampton; 21 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Velma Brannon of Greene, Judy (Ed) Kohler of Buena Vista, Colorado, and Diane (Greg) Riles of Sheffield; one brother, Donny (Patty) Gealow of Mason City; two sisters-in-law, Clysta (Elmer) Gealow of Marshalltown and Beverly (Roger) Gealow of Woodlands, Texas; one brother-in-law, Kenny (Norma) Miller of Waterloo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald on July 5, 2010; her parents, Harry and Martha; mother-in-law, Mamie Miller; father-in-law, Julius (Jake) Miller; two brothers, Elmer and Roger Gealow; one sister, Melva Hill; three brothers-in-law, Louis Miller, Jim Hill and Emmett Brannon; one sister-in-law, Lois Miller; and one son-in-law, Charles Nehl.

Betty Jane Semler, 98

Betty Jane Semler, age 98 of Fredericksburg, died Sunday, Feb. 2, 2025, at Linn Haven Rehab & Healthcare in New Hampton.

Funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 10, 2025, at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Fredericksburg with the Rev. Scott Smith officiating.

Friends may greet the family an hour prior to the service at the church.

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

Special Thanks

The family of Richard A. Zeien would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all of our family and friends for their overwhelming support and comfort during this time of loss. We extend a special thank you to Brian Hugeback and the incredible staff at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home for their compassionate care. Our deepest appreciation goes to Rev. James Goerend of Holy Family Cluster for his loving tribute during the service and to St. Croix Hospice, including Kelsey, Tessa, Sarah, Amanda and Nikki, for their exceptional care and support over the past four months. We are also grateful to the urn bearers and to Mick Gage Plumbing and Heating for their assistance during this difficult time. Lastly, a sincere thank you to Kristen and Carl Reicks for their kindness in helping with luncheon following the service and the Chickasaw Event Center for the use of the building. Janet and staff did a wonderful job, made it so easy for us to enjoy our luncheon. Your support has meant so much to us.

Sincerely, Sharon; Bobby and Abby & family; Chad and Joelle & family; Jeremy and Marwa & family; Mike and Nikki & family; Marshall and Logan

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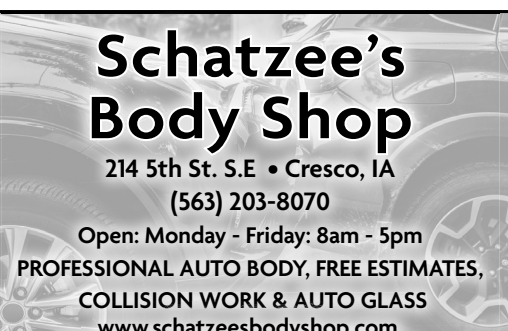
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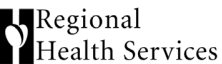
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Coach says Chickasaw girls bowl ‘outstanding’ against Forest City

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separate the best regular season teams in the qualifying round for state. Third-ranked Charles City will be one of the eight host sites at Comet Bowl.

The only other viable options in terms of location for northern school qualifiers were located in Maquoketa – where New Hampton competed at the qualifier in the first year of its program – and Camanche, which resides in eastern Iowa right on the Mississippi River. Fort Dodge St. Edmond also hosts a qualifier.

Asked what the best alternative to the Charles City site was and New Hampton head coach Andy Aries had this to say. “Nowhere. Everything else was three hours away,” said Aries. “It is what it is.”

Despite not having to duke it out with Charles City and Maquoketa, that doesn’t mean there still won’t be quality competition that New Hampton will have to get past in order to qualify at team state for the first time in school history. The Chickasaws sent individ-

ual state qualifier Jamison Porath to the state meet last year at Cadillac XBC (Xtreme Bowling Center).

The Hawks are listed as the 11th-best team for match average and another school at New Hampton’s district – MMCRU – is 12th in Class 1A.

“I didn’t think we’d be at Charles City. I was kind of hoping we might be,” said Aries. “The task at hand right now is focusing on the conference baker’s tournament on Wednesday. Then it’s really starting to get down to the nitty-gritty – working on getting prepped for state qualifying.”

New Hampton picked up wins number seven and eight this year at home on Tuesday of last week versus North Fayette Valley and Friday on Senior Night against Forest City.

While the Chickasaws continued its string of eight-consecutive matches with a score of 3,000 and above, Aries was not satisfied with the overall scores from his talented group.

“I was pleased we won and all of that stuff, but the scores could have been better,” said Aries. “It’s just one

of those things.”

NH topped NFV 3,119 to 2,462 and turned back Forest City, 3,032 to 2,811.

“Again, I was pleased that we got the victory, but I was more upset with how we shot in bakers,” said Aries about the match versus Forest City. “The bakers were very, very down.”

Porath, who celebrated his 18th birthday last Friday, led the Chickasaw charge in the last two matches with a 496 series against NFV and a 474 tally versus Forest City.

Aries said New Hampton – 3-2 in the West Division of the North Central Conference – actually lost the baker round to the visiting Indians, 932-920.

“To me it shows that we really have some work to do. Granted, we’ve shot really well throughout the whole year for the most part. I understand everybody has their bad days. We need to pick that up a little bit and make sure we’re on our “A” game the rest of the season,” said Aries.

The Chickasaw girls team – 1-9 overall and 0-5 in league play – came

within 49 pins of earning their second win of the season versus Forest City. The Indians topped NH, 1,789 to 1,740. NFV defeated New Hampton, 2,294 to 1,525.

New Hampton broke four school records in the loss versus Forest City – individual first round total, high baker game (148), high baker series and overall match total (1,740).

NH senior Zoey Dreckman was the Chickasaws’ top shot versus NFV with a 272 series and she also led New Hampton against Forest City with a series total of 256.

“The girls bowled outstanding against Forest City. They had a chance to pull it off in bakers even though they were down by quite a few going in,” said Aries.

New Hampton bowled on Wednesday at Cadillac XBC (Xtreme Bowling Center) in the North Central Conference – East and West Divisions included – baker tournament.

The Chickasaws’ regular season finale is slated for Friday, Feb. 14 at home versus Waverly-Shell Rock.

The girls will compete in Class 1A regionals a day before the boys on Monday, Feb. 17 at Comet Bowl in Charles City.

NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 2,294, NEW HAMPTON GIRLS 1,525
Medalist - Brooke Burgin, North Fayette Valley 367.

New Hampton scores - Zoey Dreckman 272, Kassidy Meyerhoff 225, McKenzie Herzberg 221, Sophia Rivera 199, Vanessa Snyder 188.

NEW HAMPTON BOYS 3,119, NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 2,462
Medalist - Jamison Porath, New Hampton 496.

New Hampton scores - Landon Marr 409, Charlie Kriener 403, Kody Kleen 403, Gabe Macon 400. Jaxson Porath 377.

FOREST CITY 1,789, NEW HAMPTON GIRLS 1,740
Medalist - Aubrey Olson, Forest City 293.
New Hampton scores - Dreckman 256, Meyerhoff 230, Rivera 214, Snyder 201, Herzberg 189.

NEW HAMPTON BOYS 3,032, FOREST CITY 2,811
Medalist - Caleb Sorenson, Forest City 480.

New Hampton scores - Jam. Porath 474, Jax. Porath 431, Marr 424, Kleen 398, Macon 384, Kriener 376.

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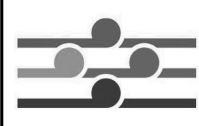


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Chickasaws set to play final home game tonight before closing regular season with pair of road tilts

NH Boys: FROM 15

held on to improve to 14-5.

New Hampton was led by the trio of Reid Rausch, Ewert and Rochford, who scored 13 points apiece.

“It’s tough, it stinks, you know the drill,” New Hampton’s coach said. “It’s like the Charles City game. It was there for the taking.”

Coming off an 81-53 loss to unbeaten North Fayette Valley — which got 43 points and 18 rebounds from Upper Iowa University commit Cael Reichter — New Hampton appeared poised to breakthrough for its first NEIC victory on Friday as the Chickasaws, thanks to a banked-in 3-point basket by Bundy, took a 24-23 halftime lead into halftime.

But after an Ewert basket gave New Hampton a 26-25 lead early in the third quarter, the Comets used a 16-5 run, one sparked by Jordin Ritter’s 13 points, to take a 41-31 lead.

The Chickasaws, who fell to 0-7 in conference play, had their best 3-point shooting night of the year as they hit 8-of-17 shots (47.1 percent) from beyond the arc.

The Rausch brothers and Bundy all scored nine points to lead New Hampton while Ewert had seven assists and Kyle Rausch had five. Ryan Willadsen led the Chickasaws on the boards with six rebounds.

Despite the frustrations he and his players were feeling Monday night, New Hampton’s coach lauded the four young men — Jake Schwickerath, Ewert, Willadsen and his eldest son — who, along with their parents, were honored before the game.

“I’m just really proud of what they’ve poured into our program,” Rausch said. “People know that there’s been a lot of wrong ends of the scoreboards, but they show up and they work every day and they come to film and they do everything you ask them. They don’t complain, they don’t bitch, they keep coming back. That is a great group of kids and that’s why tonight sucks because I wanted to get them one really bad.”

And those seniors will get one last chance to leave their home court as winners as they take on Central Springs tonight (Thursday) before closing out the regular season with road games against Crestwood on Friday and Oelwein on Valentine’s Day.

NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 81, NEW HAMPTON 53									
NH	14	13	12	14	-	53			
NFV	19	17	19	26	-	81			

Jake Schwickerath 5-8 0-0 11, Caden Rochford 3-9 4-4 12, Adam Ewert 4-13 1-2 12, Ryan Willadsen

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHERYL J. GERK, Deceased. Probate No. ESPR003267 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons interested in the Estate of Sheryl J. Gerck, Deceased, who died on or about December 1, 2022.

You are hereby notified that on the 24th day of January, 2025, the last will and testament of Sheryl J. Gerck deceased, bearing the date of the 20th day of July, 2022, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Dustin Lewis 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.

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Dated this 31st day of January, 2025.

Dustin Lewis
Executor of estate
622 N. Foley Ave.
New Hampton, IA 50659

Christopher F. O'Donohoe
ELWOOD, O'DONOHOE,
BRAUN & WHITE, LLP
Attorney for executor
101 North Locust Avenue,
P.O. Box 310
New Hampton, Iowa 50659
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1-1 1-2 3, Reid Rausch 2-5 0-0 4, Ethan Carter 0-3 0-0 0, Kinnick Wisner 0-1 2-2 2, Kye Rausch 1-3 0-0 2, Carson Laures 0-1 0-0 0, Trenton Horner 0-0 0-0 0, Dylon Schmitt 0-3 0-0 0, Braxton Bundy 1-6 2-2 5, Jacob McDonald 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 18-54 10-12 53.

3-point field goals - Ewert 3-5, Rochford 2-6, Schwickerath 1-2, Bundy 1-4, Carter 0-1, R. Rausch 0-2, Schmitt 0-3.

Rebounds - Willadsen 4, R. Rausch 4, Schwickerath 3, Rochford 3, Ewert 2, K. Rausch 2, Laures 2, Bundy 2, McDonald 1, Horner 1, Carter 1.

Assists - Ewert 5, Willadsen 3, Schwickerath 2, R. Rausch 2.

Steals - Willadsen 2, R. Rausch 2, Rochford 1, Ewert 1, Carter 1.

CHARLES CITY 71, NEW HAMPTON 56

CC	12	11	25	23	-	71
NH	11	13	9	23	-	56

Schwickerath 1-6 0-0 2, Rochford 1-7 2-2 5, Ewert 2-11 1-2 6, Willadsen 3-5 0-0 6, R. Rausch 4-7 0-0 9, Carter 1-4 0-0 2, K. Rausch 3-4 1-2 9, Laures 4-7 0-0 8, Bundy 3-8 0-0 9. Totals 22-59 4-6 56.

3-point field goals - Bundy 3-7, K. Rausch 2-2, R. Rausch 1-1, Ewert

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of February 2025 at 7:00 p.m. the City Council of New Hampton, Iowa will hold a public hearing in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street to accept input regarding the rezoning of real estate of Stanely and Mary Ann Trask of Stanley W. Trask Living Trust

Z-25-191112176017 — Stanley and Mary Ann Trask of Stanley W. Trask Living Trust are requesting a rezoning of their property located at 409 W Jefferson Street within the City of New Hampton. The Applicants are looking to rezone the subject property from (R-2) Moderate Density Residential to (M-1) Light Industrial and/or Manufacturing. This request is to bring the property into compliance with a legal nonconforming existing use that already exists on the property, which is wanting to be intensified.

The subject property is identified as follows:

The alley separating Lots 1, 2, and 3 from Lots 4 and 5, Block 10, railroad addition to New Hampton, Iowa, also described as: Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot 3, block 10, railroad addition to New Hampton, Iowa, thence in a southwesterly direction to the northeast corner of Lot 5, Block 10, Railroad Addition to the New Hampton, Iowa, Thence south to the southeast corner of Lot 4, Block 10, Railroad Addition to New Hampton, Iowa, Thence East to the place of Beginning;

And Lots 4 and 5 in Block 10 in Railroad Addition to New Hampton, Iowa;

And All Property west of Block 10, Railroad Addition to the City of New Hampton, Iowa with the North and Northwesterly Boundary Line of this Property Extending to the South and Southwesterly Right-of-Way of the St. Paul and Milwaukee Railroad in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 12, Township 95 North, Range 13 West of the 5th P.M., Chickasaw County, Iowa.

Anyone interested may appear at the above stated time and place for the public hearing and be heard or may file written comments in person or mail to the City Clerk, of New Hampton, Iowa at the 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton, Iowa, 50659. Written comments must be received in the City Clerk's office before 4:30 PM on the date set of said hearing.

Karen Clemens
City Clerk

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MONSIGNOR CARL LAMBERT SCHMITT, Deceased. CASE NO. ESPR003264 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Monsignor Carl Lambert Schmitt, Deceased, who died on or about January 8, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on January 23, 2025, the last will and testament of Monsignor Carl Lambert Schmitt, deceased, bearing date of September 20, 2022, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Rebecca Schoenfeld and Elaine Kleve were appointed executrixes 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.

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Dated January 23, 2025.

Rebecca Schoenfeld,
Executrix of estate
Address: 1053 S. Fourth Avenue,
New Hampton, Iowa 50659

Elaine Kleve, Executrix of estate
Address: 8261 Yankee Avenue,
Cresco, Iowa 52136

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

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1-2, Rochford 1-3, Schwickerath 0-1, Carter 0-1.

Rebounds - Willadsen 6, Laures 5, K. Rausch 5, Rochford 4, Ewert 3, R. Rausch 3, Schwickerath 1, Carter 1, Bundy 1.

Assists - Ewert 7, K. Rausch 5, Schwickerath 1, Carter 1.

Steals - Willadsen 2, R. Rausch 2, Ewert 1.

Blocks - Laures 1.

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES January 27, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, January 27, 2025, at 9:02 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, Terry Johnson, Bob Fenske, member of media, Stanton Electric Chuck Stanton, Soil Conservation Adam Kleiss, Tyler Underwood, Kim Leichtman, Pathways Vicki Mueller and Teresa King, Big 4 Fair Dwight Kolthoff and Nancy Hillsheim, ISU Extension Makaela Kime and Amanda Tupper, Veterans Affairs Administrator Keith Elenz and Katy Kuehn, Secondary Roads Engineer Roman Lensing and Ranae Carey, Sheriff Ryan Shawver, and Conservation Director Chad Humpal.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve the agenda for January 27, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Carter to approve the meeting minutes from January 20, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed repair plans for the water damage at the Heritage Center and bids for the repair need to be back February 3, 2025.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve purchase of 25 election poll books (laptops) from 20/20 Fx for an estimate of \$26,400.00 per purchase policy for the Auditor/Election Department. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment. Discussed with Pathways Executive Director Vicki Mueller and Teresa King about the Opioid Fund and Pathways updates.

Discussed FY 25-26 budget request for Soil and Water Conservation with Adam Kleiss, Tyler Underwood, and Kim Leichtman.

Discussed FY 25-26 budget request for County Youth Programs with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Coordinators Makaela Kime and Amanda Tupper.

Discussed FY 25-26 budget request for the Big 4 Fair with Board Members Dwight Kolthoff and Nancy Hillsheim.

Discussed county wide tracking soft-

SOUTH WINNESHEIK 67, NEW HAMPTON 60

SW 13 20 17 17 - 67

NH 25 13 13 9 - 60

Schwickerath 2-5 0-0 4, Rochford 4-9 2-3 13, Ewert 6-8 1-4 13, Willadsen 0-1 0-0 0, R. Rausch 5-10 0-0 13, Carter 1-3 0-0 3, K. Rausch 2-3 0-0 4, Laures 2-3 0-0 4, Bundy 2-5 0-0 6. Totals 24-46 3-7 60.

3-point field goals - Rochford 3-5,

wares for all vehicles with Secondary Roads Ranae Carey.

Discussed FY 25-26 budget with Veterans Affairs Administrator Keith Elenz and Board Member Katy Kuehn.

Discussed Kawasaki loaner program through Bodensteiner Motorsports with Sheriff Ryan Shawver.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Cerwinske to approve low quote from Illowa Culvert & Supply in the amount of \$80,262.60 for Chickasaw County corrugated metal pipe culverts per purchase policy for Secondary Roads. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussed Secondary Roads updates with Engineer Roman Lensing.

Consensus of the Board of Supervisors to direct the Auditor to email department heads about budget amendment #2.

Recessed: 10:46 AM

Resumed: 10:51 AM

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to approve payroll check dated January 24, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Carter to approve prior claims in the amount of \$7,707.21. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve claims in the amount of \$83,066.39. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Budget work session: Rural Service Basic Capital Projects Chickasaw County Betterment Budget requests COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Supervisor Suckow, email- Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan Board (IGHCP) Supervisor Hackman, January 22- CSS Supervisor Cerwinske, January 23, Heartland Insurance Risk Pool 28-E Agreement Representative

Motion by Cerwinske, seconded by Suckow to adjourn at 12:18 PM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING — PROPOSED BUDGET Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 CHICKASAW COUNTY AG EXTENSION

The Extension Council of the above named County will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed fiscal year 2025/2026 budget as follows: Meeting Date: 2/18/2025 Meeting Time: 05:30 PM Meeting Location: Chickasaw County Extension Office 115 N. Broadway Ave, New Hampton, IA 50659 At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present their objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of receipts and expenditures on file with the Extension Council Secretary. Copies of the Supplemental Budget Detail (Schedule 674-A) will be furnished upon request.

Contact Name: Amanda Tupper Contact Telephone Number: (641) 394-2174

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3. Tort Liability	2,455	7,500	4,000	10,685	7,685	3,412	3,500
4. TOTAL	438,636	375,038	384,767	578,097	315,644	280,979	288,500
Proposed taxation rate per \$1,000 valuation: \$							0.29151

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CHICKASAW CO. CLAIMS LISTING 1/17/2025-1/30/2025

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R. Rausch 3-7, Bundy 2-4, Carter 1-2, Ewert 0-1, Laures 0-1.

Rebounds - Willadsen 5, Ewert 5, Rochford 5, R. Rausch 3, Schwickerath 3, Carter 2, K. Rausch 2, Laures 1.

Assists - Ewert 6, Laures 2, Bundy

Legal Notice

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THELMA M. LESTER, Deceased Probate No. ESPR003269 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons interested in the Estate of Thelma M. Lester, Deceased, who died on or about August 22, 2024.

You are hereby notified that on the 28th day of January, 2025, the last will and testament of Thelma M. Lester deceased, bearing the date of the 22nd day of August, 2016, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Jan Flaherty 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.

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Dated this 31st day of January, 2025.

Jan Flaherty
Executor of estate
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Montevideo, MN 56265

Christopher F. O'Donohoe
ELWOOD, O'DONOHOE,
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2, Willadsen 1, Schwickerath 1, K. Rausch 1, Rochford 1.

Steals - Ewert 4, Schwickerath 2, Rochford 1, Laures 1.

Blocks - Laures 3, Bundy 1.

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT CHICKASAW COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROLINE R. MCSHANE, Deceased Probate No. ESPR003266 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons interested in the Estate of Caroline R. McShane, Deceased, who died on or about January 19, 2025.

You are hereby notified that on the 24th day of January, 2025, the last will and testament of Caroline R. McShane deceased, bearing the date of the 10th day of November, 1981, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Steven McShane 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.

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Dated this 31st day of January, 2025.

Steven McShane
Executor of estate
424 E. Main St.
New Hampton, IA 50659

Christopher F. O'Donohoe
ELWOOD, O'DONOHOE,
BRAUN & WHITE, LLP
Attorney for executor
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Photo courtesy of Leah Kruse

TV's J.D. Kruse puts up a shot down low at Clayton Ridge on Friday.

TV eyeing home district game

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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Hot and cold.

Consistency has been a problem for the Turkey Valley boys hoops squad this winter.

That's why with two games left in the regular season after the Trojans' rivalry game at South Winneshiek this past Tuesday, head coach John Izer wants his team to play with more consistency. That includes boxing out on rebounds and limiting turnovers.

"I tell everybody we're either here or we're here – we're not in the middle," said Izer. "We just can't get the middle. We either play well or we don't."

That up-and-down inconsistent play each game couldn't have been more evident in a road loss at Crestwood, 80-48, back on Monday, Jan. 27.

"We tripped over our own feet up at Cresco," said Izer.

TV (8-11, 5-8), currently in fifth place in the Upper Iowa Conference, turned around and topped Clayton Ridge (3-15, 2-11) on the road Friday by a score of 61-52.

"Down at Guttenberg last Friday that was a nice win for us on the road," said Izer. "I don't care what their record is, that's a hard place to win."

TV junior forward Logan Busta – who leads the team in scoring with a 15.4 points-

per-game average – came up large in the win over CR with 24 points on 8-15 shooting. He also grabbed eight rebounds and drilled 6-9 from beyond the 3-point arc.

Trojan sophomore guard Cale Langreck netted a career high 17 points versus the Eagles and connected on three shots from 3-point land.

Busta is the ninth-best scorer in the UIC and tied for fourth in steals (2.7 spg) with South Winn's Braiden Todd. Busta was limited to just nine points in the Crestwood game.

Turkey Valley junior forward J.D. Kruse – the league's second-best rebounder (8.4 rpg) – managed 13 boards against Clayton Ridge. He also scored 10 points and came up with seven rebounds in the Crestwood loss.

The task at hand now for TV is to snare a potential home postseason game. The Trojans host West Central (1-19, 0-13) on Friday and entertain Postville (5-13, 4-10) in Jackson Junction this coming Tuesday in the regular season finale.

In order to play a district game in Class 1A on the Trojans' home floor, it would take three wins to end the regular season according to Izer – including that South Winn (14-5, 8-4) game.

"We have to sweep and then

we've probably got a 50/50 chance," said Izer. "We can still reach a goal that we had. Have we turned that corner? No. We just gotta sweep out here."

CRESTWOOD 80, TURKEY VALLEY 48

TV	8	20	10	10	-	48
CR	20	17	28	15	-	80

Logan Busta 4-12 0-0 9, J.D. Kruse 4-5 2-2 10, Cale Langreck 2-11 0-0 4, Kaden Schmidt 1-5 2-2 5, Jordan Kriener 2-9 0-0 4, Alex Hanson 4-11 0-0 10, Ryan Lukes 0-0 0-0 0, Treyton Franzen 3-3 0-0 6, Jonah Orvis 0-0 0-2 0, Wyatt Maklenburg 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-56 4-6 48.

3-point field goals - Hanson 2-7, Schmidt 1-1, Busta 1-7, Langreck 0-6.

Rebounds - Kruse 7, Busta 6, Kriener 5, Hanson 3, Franzen 3, Langreck 2, Schmidt 1, Orvis 1, Maklenburg 1.

Assists - Busta 7, Schmidt 3, Langreck 1.

Steals - Langreck 2, Kriener 2, Kruse 1, Schmidt 1.

Blocks - Kriener 3.

TURKEY VALLEY 61, CLAYTON RIDGE 52

TV	15	12	20	14	-	61
CR	16	10	13	13	-	52

Busta 8-15 2-2 24, Kruse 4-10 2-5 10, Langreck 6-14 2-2 17, Schmidt 0-0 0-0 0, Kriener 3-4 0-0 6, Hanson 0-3 0-0 0, Jayden Rausch 0-1 0-0 0, Franzen 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 23-50 6-9 61.

3-point field goals - Busta 6-9, Langreck 3-10, Kruse 0-1, Hanson 0-2.

Rebounds - Kruse 13, Busta 8, Kriener 6, Langreck 3, Schmidt 2, Hanson 2, Franzen 2.

Assists - Busta 5, Kruse 3, Langreck 3, Hanson 1.

Steals - Langreck 2, Busta 1, Schmidt 1.

Dreckman signs with NIACC

By KELLY TERPSTRA
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Zoey Dreckman's running career is an amazing story.

She's come a long way in the sport of cross country – from running towards the back of the pack in high school to now joining the ranks of a college program.

Dreckman's inspiring ascent to her now chosen path is clearly a testament to believing in one's self and never surrendering to achieve a desired outcome.

The New Hampton senior's march toward personal goals and fulfilling a lifelong dream came to fruition last Wednesday afternoon after she signed on to compete for the NIACC Trojans' cross country program.

There probably came a moment when Dreckman literally had to pinch herself to make sure she wasn't dreaming, because even considering running on the next level at college when she was first introduced to the sport of cross country as a middle-schooler would have been a far-fetched idea back then as a seventh-grader.

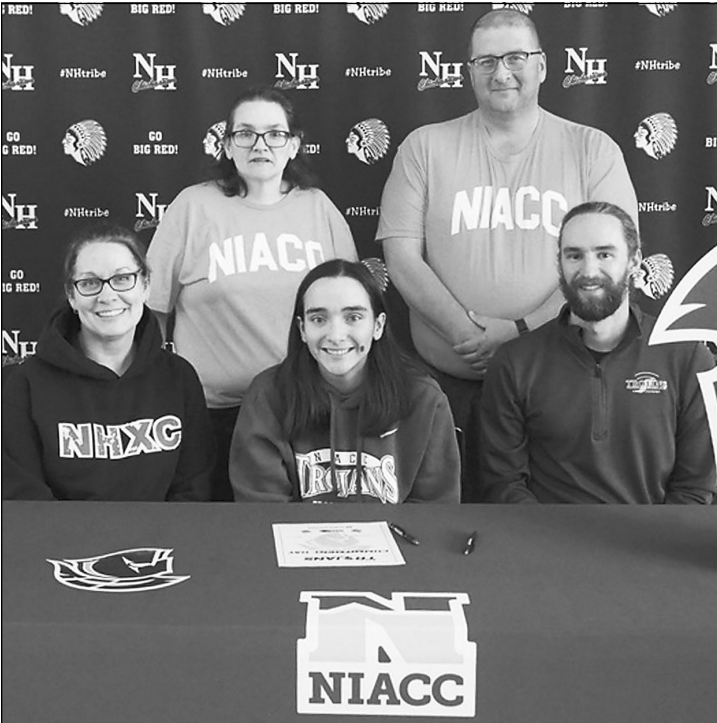
It's a reality now as Dreckman will run with the Trojans and head coach Steven Story this fall.

"I definitely didn't think today would have ever been possible running in college," said Dreckman. "I always wanted to, but my times were just never what I wanted them to be or what you need them to be in college until this last year."

Dreckman isn't the fastest harrier out on the course, but through hard work, dedication and commitment the current Chickasaw bowler will do something a lot of prep athletes don't do and that's take her talent to the next level.

"I think the decision came along just wanting to continue running because of the love I found with it as "Quass" as my coach and just falling in love with the sport with my teammates," said Dreckman.

Dreckman ran a 23:42 in her last high school cross country meet at the Class 2A qualifier held at Hickory Grove Golf Course in Oelwein. That's also



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton senior Zoey Dreckman signs on to compete in XC for NIACC last week Wednesday.

the same course where a light bulb came on for Dreckman and she realized running near the front of the pack was attainable. That turning point came in last fall's season opener in Oelwein, where she dipped below 30 minutes in a 5K race for only the third time in her career with a clip of 28:21.

Dreckman credited her head coach Jamie "Quass" Ohrt and her teammates for helping her drop times and making the special signing day possible.

"I definitely wouldn't be here today without them," said Dreckman about her fellow Chickasaw runners. "My teammates mean a lot to me – some of the closest friendships I've ever gotten throughout high school. I came out of my shell a lot after running cross country, just having them with me."

She mentioned the encouragement she received from one particular teammate – sophomore Sophie Glaser, a two-time state qualifier in XC for the Chickasaws.

"Sophie would always come to me and say 'you're kickin' butt this year,'" said Dreckman. "So I'm doing something right – people are noticing it."

Dreckman placed 22nd at the NEIC meet with a 23:16 clip and was the second Chickasaw girls runner to cross the finish line behind Glaser.

"She did it. She put the hard work in, not me," said Ohrt. "This year she was voted most improved runner for the females. She went from running 30's to 23's in a year. That's pretty significant and speaks volumes for her."

Ohrt ran XC collegiately for Elmhurst University in Illinois. She talked about Dreckman climbing the ladder in her quest to become the best she can possibly be for her new team – the blue-and-yellow clad Trojans.

"She doesn't quit," said Ohrt, who will begin her 12th season as NH XC coach this season at New Hampton. "She's good at prioritizing her time and I know she'll be a great student athlete."

Dreckman will major in nursing at NIACC. She talked about her initial impression with the NIACC coaches, athletes and campus, which is located in nearby Mason City.

"Knowing I'm going to have a good, supportive community at NIACC after visiting campus and getting to know some of the girls, I just knew it was probably going to be a good fit for me," said Dreckman.

New Hampton Calendar of Events

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 9:00am Wrestling: Girls Varsity State TBD vs. IGHSAU @ Coralville XTREAM Arena
- 4:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Quad vs. Central Springs @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Rocket League vs. Osage
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood High School
- 5:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Quad vs. Central Springs @ New Hampton High
- 6:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Quad vs. Central Springs @ New Hampton High School
- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Quad vs. Central Springs @ New Hampton High School

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- TBD Wrestling: Girls Varsity State TBD vs. IGHSAU @ Coralville XTREAM Arena
- 7:15am Choir
- 4:15pm Basketball: Girls JV Quad vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood High School
- 5:30pm Basketball: Boys JV Game vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood High School
- 6:15pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Quad vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood High School
- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Crestwood @ Crestwood High School
- 1 pm Nahjong! New Hampton Public Library

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 7:30am Lion's Club - Wrestling Tournament High School Gym
- 8:00am Large Group Speech State Large Group Speech Contest at Decorah
- 46th Annual NH Lions Club Individual Youth Wrestling Tournament at NHHS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 11 am to 1 pm Holy Family Parish Annual Soup Festival. Hynes Hall, Holy Family Parish, New Hampton

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- Chorus State Jazz Choir Festival
- 4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet vs. Multiple Schools @ New Hampton Middle School
- 6:00pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Hudson - Iowa @ Hudson High School
- 7:30pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Hudson - Iowa @ Hudson High School
- 1 pm Sharpie & Watercolor Art Program - New Hampton Public Library

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- 7:15am Choir
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle School @ Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Sumner Fredericksburg Middle @ New Hampton Middle School
- 9 am to 2 pm Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- 5:30pm- 6:00pm Driver's Education April Schmitt's Room - Old Cafeteria Spring Drivers Ed meeting
- 5:30pm FFA Chapter Meeting
- 10 am Family Story Time - New Hampton Public Library & Learning Connections
- 9 am to 11:30 am Ag Pest Control New Hampton/Chickasaw County Extension

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- Band Northern Festival of Bands @ Cedar Falls
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 8th Game vs. Waukon @ Waukon High School
- 4:15pm Basketball: Boys 7th Game vs. Waukon @ New Hampton High School
- 4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet vs. Multiple Schools @ Cresco Middle School
- 7:30pm Basketball: Boys 9th Game vs. Crestwood @ New Hampton High School High School Gym

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- Band Northern Festival of Bands @ Cedar Falls
- 7:15am Choir
- 7:30am Interact Club

4:00pm Bowling: Girls Varsity Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Bowlaway Lanes

4:00pm Bowling: Boys Varsity Game vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Bowlaway Lanes

6:00pm Basketball: Boys JV Varsity/ JV vs. Oelwein Community Schools @ Oelwein High School

7:30pm Basketball: Boys Varsity Game vs. Oelwein Community Schools @ Oelwein High School

1 pm Nahjong! New Hampton Public Library

Dueling Pianos at The B, Nashua

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- Band Northern Festival of Bands @ Cedar Falls
- FFA National FFA Week
- 10:00am Wrestling: Boys Varsity Districts vs. Multiple Schools @ New Hampton High School High School Gym
- 5:00pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Regional Tournament vs. IGHSAU
- 10 am Story time New Hampton Public Library
- Father/Daughter Dance at Pub at the Pinicon, New Hampton
- 38th Annual Ionia Fire Department Ribeye Steak Dinner at Ionia Fire Department
- First Annual Daddy Daughter Dance at The Cottage at Woodland Farm, Fredericksburg

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- FFA National FFA Week

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- TBD Basketball: Boys Varsity District Tournament vs. IHSAA
- FFA National FFA Week
- No School

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- FFA National FFA Week
- 7:15am Choir

4:00pm Esports Varsity Overwatch 2 - Playoffs

4:15pm Wrestling: Girls 7-8 Meet vs. Waukon @ Waukon Middle School

9am to 2:00 pm Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- FFA National FFA Week
- TBD Wrestling: Boys Varsity State IHSAA vs. TBD @ Wells Fargo Arena - Des Moines
- 5:00pm Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club Meeting Middle/ High School Cafeteria
- 7:00pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Regional Tournament TBD vs. IGHSAU
- 10 am Family Story Time - New Hampton Public Library & Learning Connections
- 9 am Veteran's Coffee Heritage Residence in New Hampton
- 9 am to 11:30 am Ag Pest Control and Seed Treatment, New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

- TBD Basketball: Boys Varsity District Tournament IHSAA vs. TBD
- FFA National FFA Week
- Music Tallcorn Jazz Festival @ UNI, Cedar Falls, IA
- TBD Wrestling: Boys Varsity State IHSAA vs. TBD @ Wells Fargo Arena - Des Moines
- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Rocket League- Playoffs

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- FFA National FFA Week
- TBD Wrestling: Boys Varsity State IHSAA vs. TBD @ Wells Fargo Arena - Des Moines
- 7:15am Choir
- 1 pm Nahjong! New Hampton Public Library

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- FFA National FFA Week
- 8:00am Large Group Speech All-State Large Group Speech Festival at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa
- 5:00pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Regional Tournament TBD vs. IGHSAU

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- 1 pm Paint Squares Art Program, New Hampton Public Library

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- TBD Basketball: Boys Varsity District Tournament IHSAA vs. TBD
- 7:15am Choir
- 9am to 2 pm Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Overwatch 2 - Finals
- 10 am Family Story Time - New Hampton Public Library & Learning Connections

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Rocket League- Finals
- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Overwatch 2 - Finals
- 6:00pm Trap Shooting Sportsman's Club Boyd Gun Check-In

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 7:15am Choir
- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Rocket League- Finals
- 1 pm Nahjong! New Hampton Public Library
- 7-9 pm Hope in Action Suicide Awareness and Prevention Program at St. John Lutheran Church, Nashua

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NH/TV's Chase Humpal (above) puts the finishing touches on a pin of Crestwood's Mason Regan while teammate Tate Schwickerath (below) looks to keep control of Waukon's Holten Palmer during Saturday's NEIC tournament.

NH/TV continues to improve at NEIC

NEIC: FROM 16

knows he still has a long way to go but he's put himself in a good position here where I think he could really have a good post-season."

Shekleton said that when the 2023-24 season ended, he knew he couldn't rest on his laurels.

"I think just putting in the time and working harder," he said on the jump he's made on the mat this winter. "I mean I was happy making state and everything last year, but I knew I couldn't stand still, either."

And he said the scoring changes that now give high school wrestlers three points per takedown helped, too.

"I do like it because I'm better on my feet than on top," he said Saturday after running his record to 31-7. "Not that I'm not going to work on that, but three points a takedown, that's a good deal for me and the way I like to wrestle."

The Chickasaws had five wrestlers — Carter Cajthaml (132), Jayden Bucknell (144), Tate Schwickerath (157), Chase Humpal (165) and Lohen Tank (175) — finish as NEIC runners-up, and Cajthaml may have wrestled the premier match of the day.

In the final round, he took on Decorah's Mason Avila, a state tournament veteran who has missed most of this season because of an injury. Avila got a first-period takedown but Cajthaml quickly got an escape and then cut the deficit to 3-2 with a quick escape in second period.

But he couldn't get a takedown in either the second period or after Avila got an escape early in the third period and fell to 43-6.

"Obviously, he wanted to win this thing, but he'll build on it, he'll learn from it, and that's a good match for him," Paulus said.

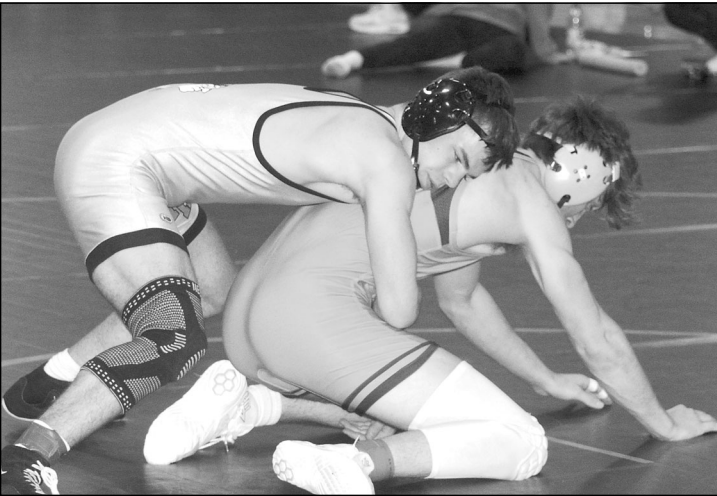
And while finishing third is not in the NH/TV's coach's DNA, he found positives in the NEIC finish.

"I'd say overall we're improving, which is what we need to do," Paulus said. "That's our goal every time we step out there. We're improving, but we're just not at the spot we want to be at yet so now we have a few weeks to figure it out."

NH/TV found out last week that it had not qualified for the Class 2A regional duals, which were held on Tuesday, but the Chickasaws will get one more chance to compete before hosting the district tournament a week from Saturday.

That's because NH/TV will travel to Cresco on Saturday to make up a dual against Crestwood that was postponed back in December because of weather issues.

"It's hard to make up for experience by just practicing,"



Photos courtesy of Leah Kruse

Turkey Valley's Emersyn Hoffert (above) takes a shot versus Clayton Ridge last Friday night and the Trojans' Layni Schuchhardt (below) guards an Eagle ball handler.

Trojan girls remain in UIC title hunt

Turkey Valley bounces back from one-point non-league loss to rout Clayton Ridge

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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When Friday rolls around, the Turkey Valley Trojans may well turn into Kee High Hawk fans — at least for one night.

The Trojans and head coach Steve Hoffert remained in contention and are still alive for an Upper Iowa Conference crown but they're going to need a little help from those Hawks.

Turkey Valley (13-5, 12-2) held Clayton Ridge to five second-half points — zero in the fourth quarter — en route to a 46-14 lockdown of the Eagles on the road in Guttenberg last Friday.

"I thought our defense was really good again tonight. We continue to play really good team defense. It took us a while to get going offensively. We were finally able to penetrate their 1-2-2 zone in the second quarter," said Hoffert.

With the win, Turkey Valley now sits at 13-5 overall and 12-2 in the league. The Trojans played South Winneshiek (8-11, 7-7) in Calmar on Tuesday and finish the conference portion of their season at home versus three-win West Central on Friday. The regular season finale is a makeup date with Jesup (14-3) at home on Monday, Feb. 10.

With that 12-2 league mark, TV remains a game back of conference front-runner MFL MarMac (13-7, 13-1), who split the season series with the Trojans. Each team won a game on the other's home floor. The Bulldogs played West Central (3-16, 2-12) this past Tuesday and conclude the regular season at third-place Kee (13-6, 11-3).

TV junior Addison Steinlage paced the Trojans with 14 points against the host Eagles. She was 6-15 shooting and came up with four steals.

Steinlage led all scorers with 20 points in a 43-42 loss at home versus Crestwood (11-7) on Monday, Jan. 27. Steinlage converted five buckets out of 11 attempts and grabbed seven rebounds. She nailed four 3-pointers in six tries.

Trojan sophomore forward Bella Stika scored eight points and snared 13 rebounds in the close loss to Crestwood. She also



scored eight points and came up with 11 rebounds against Clayton Ridge (6-13, 3-10).

Hoffert, in his third season as head coach at TV, talked about the narrow defeat at the hands of the Cadets.

"We had our chances late but just couldn't get the ball to go into the hole. These girls never give up, they just keep fighting," said Hoffert.

Jesup will be a challenge for the Trojans as they are the current leaders of the North Iowa Cedar League's East division with a 7-0 conference mark. The J-Hawks have won nine games in a row. The game against Jesup was a rescheduled game that was postponed from Dec. 14.

Turkey Valley's pressure defense is its bread and butter this winter as it leads the UIC in points allowed (32.3). TV is also second in league points scored (52.2) and leads the entire conference in point differential (19.9).

Stika leads the UIC in rebounds per game (13.1) and Steinlage is the conference's fourth-best scorer (13.4 ppg).

Trojan sophomore center Ellaney Bodensteiner is the top free-throw shooter in the UIC with an almost 77 percent shooting clip. She's 30-39 at the charity stripe this winter.

CRESTWOOD 43, TURKEY VALLEY 42									
CR	13	6	12	12	-	43			
TV	10	7	13	12	-	42			
Addison Steinlage 5-11 6-8 20,									

Annika Bodensteiner 2-9 0-1 4, Layni Schuchhardt 0-2 0-0 0, Bella Stika 4-10 0-2 8, Delaney Busta 1-2 2-2 4, Hazel Nieman 2-4 2-5 6, Emersyn Hoffert 0-2 0-0 0, Ellaney Bodensteiner 0-6 0-0 0. Totals 14-46 10-18 42.

3-point field goals - Steinlage 4-6, Schuchhardt 0-1, Stika 0-1, A. Bodensteiner 0-4.

Rebounds - Stika 13, Steinlage 7, Schuchhardt 3, Busta 3, A. Bodensteiner 2, E. Bodensteiner 2, Nieman 1.

Assists - A. Bodensteiner 3, Nieman 3, Steinlage 2, Hoffert 2, Schuchhardt 1, Stika 1.

Steals - A. Bodensteiner 3, Stika 3, Steinlage 2, Busta 1, Nieman 1, Hoffert 1, E. Bodensteiner 1.

Blocks - Busta 1.

TURKEY VALLEY 46, CLAYTON RIDGE 14									
TV	11	16	9	10	-	46			
CR	3	6	5	0	-	14			

Steinlage 6-15 1-1 14, A. Bodensteiner 1-8 0-0 2, Schuchhardt 1-4 0-0 2, Stika 3-7 2-3 8, Busta 3-5 0-0 6, Nieman 0-4 0-0 0, Makinley Lutgen 0-1 0-0 0, Hoffert 3-4 0-0 6, Kendall Kuennen 0-1 0-0 0, Bynlee Hayek 0-0 0-0 0, Ella Ives 0-3 2-0 0, Miyah Byrne 0-1 0-0 0, E. Bodensteiner 3-12 2-2 8. Totals 20-65 5-8 46.

3-point field goals - Steinlage 1-4, A. Bodensteiner 0-6, Nieman 0-1, Hoffert 0-1.

Rebounds - Stika 11, E. Bodensteiner 5, Hoffert 5, Ives 4, Nieman 4, Schuchhardt 3, Steinlage 2, A. Bodensteiner 2, Busta 2, Lutgen 1, Hayek 1.

Assists - Steinlage 2, A. Bodensteiner 1, Stika 1, Nieman 1.

Steals - Steinlage 4, Nieman 4, Hoffert 3, Schuchhardt 2, Stika 1, Busta 1, Byrne 1, E. Bodensteiner 1.

Blocks - Hoffert 2, Steinlage 1, A. Bodensteiner 1, Busta 1, E. Bodensteiner 1.

Work is paying off for Chickasaw girls

NH GIRLS: FROM 15

Against North Fayette Valley, Ava Leichtman had 28 points on 10-for-18 shooting from the field and was a perfect 6-for-6 from the free-throw line while Jordan Thronsdon finished with 13 points on 6-for-9 shooting and grabbed eight rebounds.

"They were really hungry in that North Fayette Valley game," New Hampton's coach said. "You want to talk about a team that wanted to prove a point, that was our 'Saws that night.'"

It was more of the same on Monday as Leichtman scored 23 points on 9-for-15 shooting while Chloe Weigel added 12 points on 4-for-6 shooting. Thronsdon, meanwhile, had nine points and seven rebounds.

Against the Warriors, New Hampton jumped out to a 23-11 first quarter lead, but South Winneshiek hung around and cut the deficit to 32-24 at half-time and trailed 42-34 with two minutes remaining in the third. That's when the Chickasaws came up with their stand that forced the shot-clock violation and Leichtman delivered her two fast-break baskets.

"When you get some wins and shots are going in, it's contagious. It's very, very contagious," coach Leichtman said. "And we're doing the contagious

things and that's what's happening. We're able now to go eight, nine deep and not miss a beat."

And he also lauded the role that his two seniors — Cora Schwickerath and Jackie Pickar — have played as New Hampton has heated up at the right time of the season.

Asked the importance the winning streak, modest as it is, the coach had a quick answer.

It proves all the work they've been doing, pays off and that's a big thing for a young squad and two great senior leaders. ... You put the right things in, put time in, put the work in and you'll be rewarded."

His daughter, meanwhile, said she and her teammates want to extend the hot streak as they close out the regular season with a home game against Central Springs tonight (Thursday) and road games at Crestwood on Friday and Hudson on Monday.

"Five wins in a row," she said with a smile, "that sounds good to me. Seriously, it would be great to keep this going before we play [in the regional tournament]. We're getting better, but we aren't satisfied. We want more."

NEW HAMPTON 66, NORTH FAYETTE VALLEY 46									
NH	20	15	18	13	-	66			
NFV	4	13	5	24	-	46			

Ava Leichtman 10-18 6-6 28, Jordan Thronsdon 6-9 1-1 13, Cora Schwickerath 1-4 0-0 3, Jackie Pickar 1-5 0-0 2, Chloe Weigel 2-10 3-4 8, Jersey Pemble 0-1 0-0 0, Tegan Dungey 0-0 0-0 0, Kayme Hackman 0-2 0-0 0, Gretta Kuehner 1-1 0-0 3, Bailee Tenge 0-0 1-2 1, Caycee Crawford 2-3 2-3 6, Aleigha Cahoy 0-2 2-4 2, Payten Steine 0-0 0-0 0, Ainslee Pint 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-37 22-36 61.

3-point field goals - Leichtman 2-5, Kuehner 1-1, Schwickerath 1-3, Weigel 1-4, Hackman 0-1.

Rebounds - Thronsdon 8, Schwickerath 7, Weigel 6, Leichtman 5, Cahoy 5, Crawford 3, Pickar 1.

Assists - Weigel 4, Schwickerath 3, Cahoy 2, Leichtman 1, Pickar 1, Pemble 1, Dungey 1.

Steals - Leichtman 3, Thronsdon 3, Weigel 2, Dungey 2, Tenge 2, Cahoy 2, Pickar 1.

Blocks - Thronsdon 2, Leichtman 1.

NEW HAMPTON 61, SOUTH WINNESHIK 45									
SW	11	13	10	11	-	45			
NH	23	9	16	13	-	61			

Leichtman 9-14 5-10 23, Thronsdon 2-4 5-8 9, Schwickerath 1-4 2-2 5, Pickar 0-4 1-4 1, Weigel 4-6 2-2 12, Dungey 0-0 0-0 0, Hackman 0-1 1-2 1, Crawford 2-2 2-2 6, Cahoy 0-1 4-6 4. Totals 18-37 22-36 61.

3-point field goals - Weigel 2-3, Schwickerath 1-3.

Rebounds - Thronsdon 7, Schwickerath 5, Pickar 4, Cahoy 4, Crawford 3, Weigel 3, Leichtman 1, Dungey 1, Hackman 1.

Assists - Pickar 2, Schwickerath 2, Leichtman 1, Crawford 1.

Steals - Thronsdon 3, Crawford 2, Cahoy 1, Weigel 1, Pickar 1, Schwickerath 1, Leichtman 1.

Blocks - Cahoy 1.

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

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

New Hampton/Turkey Valley at Class 1A state girls wrestling, Coralville XTREAM Arena, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton/Turkey Valley at Class 1A state girls wrestling, Coralville XTREAM Arena, 10 a.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

New Hampton/Turkey Valley varsity wrestling at Crestwood, 9 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton girls basketball at Hudson, JV at 6 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Turkey Valley JV/varsity boys basketball vs. Postville, 6:15 p.m.

BOWLING

COFFEE CUP

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Mid-Tech Services	12	12
Vern Laures Auto	17	7
Geerts Plumbing	17	7
Dak's Tap	13	11
Hugeback-Johnson	8	16
Rochford Insurance	5	19

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Hugeback- Johnson 3, Rochford Insurance 1

Geerts Plumbing 4, Mid-Tech Services 0
Vern Laures Auto 4, Dak's Tap 0

LEADERS

High individual games:
Linda Lechtenberg 228, 191, Diane Nehl 195.

High individual series: Linda Lechtenberg 595, Nehl 542, Rita Geerts 497.

High team games: Geerts Plumbing 483, 419, Hugeback-Johnson 422, Vern Laures Auto 419.

High team series: Geerts Plumbing 1,290, Vern Laures Auto 1,231, Hugeback-Johnson 1,187.

MOST PINS OVER AVG. (GAME)
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MOST PINS OVER AVG. (SERIES)
Linda Lechtenberg 106.

Splits converted
Nancy Uglum (sub) 6-7-9, Rita Geerts 4-5-7, Eleanor Martin 4-7-10.

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Week 15 Jan. 29			
	W	L	GB
Kenny's Tavern I	77	58	0
Kenny's Tavern II	74	61	3
Bowlaway Lanes	73	62	4
Dak's Tap I	73	62	4
NH Country Club	70	65	7
Hide A Way	67	68	10
Dak's Tap II	56	79	21
The Office	50	85	27

RESULTS
Kenny's Tavern II 5, Kenny's Tavern I 4
Dak's Tap I 6, Bowlaway Lanes 3
The Office 5, Hide-A-Way 4
NH Country Club 5, Dak's Tap II 4
THREE-GAME WINNERS
Dak's Tap I - Irene Frantzen & Jean Wiemann
Hide A Way - Sheri Hille-gas & Brenda Tenge

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New Hampton state qualifier finds revenge ‘is really sweet’

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Coralville – where the state girls wrestling meet will be held this week – might want to prepare for some future motel reservations because if the state qualifier was any indication, there’s going to be several more Chickasaws that could potentially break on through out of their brackets and vault themselves into the state meet.

For the second-consecutive season NH/TV qualified two wrestlers that will strap on their head-gear and battle against the state’s best when the biggest end-of-the-season meet gets underway for the small-school class at 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at Xtream Arena in Coralville.

It’s just too bad that more Chickasaws won’t join Trende and sixth-ranked 130-pound sophomore Sophie Glaser down in Coralville to wrestle for state titles.

Glaser (39-10) ripped through her bracket as the No. 1 seed and will make a return trip back to Coralville after qualifying last year as a freshman. The Chickasaw multiple-sport star, who has also qualified for the state meet twice in cross country, spoke frankly and was open and honest about not having her friends join her out on the mat with a chance to bring home medals.

“There’s nothing good about being a lone rider. I don’t like it. I don’t want to do it,” said Glaser. “It’s just better as a team. I really wanted Kelly (Throndson) to go. I think everybody felt that. I wanted everybody to go.”

Glaser engineered pins over Charlotte Koether (29-18) of MFL MarMac in 2:40 and advanced to the finals with a quick fall a minute into her semifinal match over Bristol Parker (26-19) of Decorah. Glaser earned the gold medal by fall in her finals match in 4:37 over fifth-rated Isabel Christensen (27-10) of Sumner-Fredericksburg.

“This is regionals and you got the one seed – it’s a one match at a time mentality,” said NH/TV head coach Caleb Ciavarelli. “I tell you what, when her attacks are on, which they were, she is tough to handle.”

Throndson – a state qualifier like Glaser last winter as a sophomore – came within a heartbeat of making it back-to-back state meets in one of the regionals most thrilling matches of the night in another wrestleback. Throndson – ranked ninth – wrestled for a true-second place at 140 pounds and for the right to compete at state. She ended up losing a 5-4 heartbreaker in the second-place match via a stall call with 13 seconds left in the ultimate tiebreaker period against Osage junior Kaylie Havig (34-18).

The match was controversial to say the least and drew the biggest roars of the night from the partisan green-and-white clad Green Devils – who hosted the tournament and won it by sending six Osage wrestlers to state.

Throndson hit a takedown for a 3-0 lead just underneath a minute left in the first period against Havig. She worked an escape for a 4-0 lead with 1:49 left in the second period, but Havig came up huge with a takedown with 10 seconds left in the period. Throndson, up 4-3 headed into the final period, was warned for stalling with 1:13 and a point for that same infraction was given to Havig with just 11 seconds left in the match.

Tied at 4-4, the match went into a one-minute overtime period called sudden victory, where the first wrestler to score points wins the match. The match remained at 4-4 after sudden



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

New Hampton/Turkey Valley’s Sophie Glaser (above) and Drey O’Brien (below) work on turning their respective opponents during the Class 1A regional wrestling tournament this past Friday.



victory and then the two wrestlers competed in two 30-second overtime periods where again no one scored. After the third overtime session and what is called the ultimate tiebreaker (essentially the fourth OT period), Havig won on a stalling call made against Throndson near the edge of the match with 13 seconds remaining for the 5-4 win.

“She was riding us. The refs called two stall calls. That tied the match,” said Ciavarelli. “In overtime we lost on a stall call because they said we were pushing out.”

The NH/TV head coach talked about the calls that were made late that eventually decided what was an intense and heated match.

“You can go against calls all you want. That’s the easy thing to do is blame a ref, blame somebody. At the end of the day, we gotta look at we didn’t have enough points. If I have more points than you, I win,” said Ciavarelli.

Ciavarelli talked about his corner’s decision to take the top position in the ultimate tiebreaker.

“From demeanor and from what had happened previously I felt we were in a better position on top at that time and I still think it was,” said Ciavarelli.

Throndson (19-6) was all heart with a pin over 10th-ranked Afton Dean (30-7) of Lake Mills in the semis. Throndson trailed 7-2 headed into the

final period after she got put on her back 30 seconds into the second period and had to survive that two-minute period in order to reach the finals. She did just that with a victory by fall in the final stanza in 4:59.

What was the first word by Ciavarelli that came to mind when discussing Throndson’s semifinal match?

“Gutsy. I knew if we gave ourselves a chance and got on top that we were going to be strong enough to probably get there. We just had to be a little bit more exciting, I guess. This is regionals, right? So everything’s a little bit more exciting,” said Ciavarelli.

Thorndson lost to fifth-rated McKenzie Tollefson of Decorah in the finals of the two’s weight class, 7-0.

Trende (29-10) encountered a similar scenario in her third-place match against Sydney Lovrien (28-14) of North Butler/Clarksville. She got put on her back at the 1:08 mark of the first period, but dug deep and came up with a reversal and seconds later a pin at the 59-second mark of the match. She was then awarded the chance to wrestle for a true-second place in one of the last matches of the night in a regional that didn’t conclude until after 10 p.m.

Trende – who is just 14 years old and wrestling against girls two, three, some even four years older than her – came up big when the lights shone the brightest.

“Did she make mistakes? Absolutely, but she wrestled through ‘em and still pulled it out,” said Ciavarelli.

Trende worked her magic in the blood round after overcoming a stunning pin in her first match of the day versus Montana Wilson (21-19) of Emmetsburg in just 52 seconds. She regrouped in the consolation round to pick up two pins on the backside with a late fall over Emma Schippers (37-9) of Osage in 5:51.

“We knew right away – we lost that first match for whatever reason. I’m not 100 percent sure what happened, but after that I looked at it and I really thought if we give ourselves a chance, there’s no reason that we can’t beat these girls,” said Ciavarelli. “That’s exactly what she did. She listened and took my advice and got into good positions and she wrestled her positions. And that’s a lot of it – you just gotta stay in your positions.”

Trende’s biggest match came against eighth-ranked Lippe – an opponent that had defeated her, 5-3, just a week earlier at the Chickasaws’ Senior Night league dual.

Not this time around as the 11th-ranked Trende worked a late first-period takedown and controlled the match for the most part with a 3-1 win.

“Revenge is really sweet. I’ll be wrestling at state as a 14-year-old, which is pretty cool,” said Trende. “I just knew from the start I could get her.”

Trende, who has been wrestling since middle school, talked about what enabled her to punch her ticket to state.

“The heart, commitment. I have a lot of people on the sidelines always cheering for me,” said Trende.

Glaser (39-10), seeded sixth, takes on No. 12 Saydel sophomore Haylee Sherman (33-9) in her first match.

The winner takes on MFL’s Koether or second-ranked Jillian Worthen (20-0) of Union, LaPorte City.

Glaser is going into her second state meet with an open mind. The determined Chickasaw’s approach will be business-like, but at the same time relaxed and loose.

“I don’t really call it

confidence, it’s just going in and having fun,” said Glaser. “I try not to think one way or the other, like I’m going to win or I’m going to lose. I wrestle for fun.”

Trende, seeded 11th, will duke it out with senior Brooklyn Robinson (39-6) of Humboldt. Robinson is ranked fourth at 235 pounds and won the Osage regional via three pins, although she never wrestled Trende. The winner of that bout advances on to the quarterfinals and squares off against second-ranked Jocelyn Buffum (36-6) of Missouri Valley or No. 15 seed Laine Waggener (16-15) of Center Point-Urbana.

NH/TV freshman 125-pounder Harper Humpal (27-12) won her third-place match by fall over Summer-Fred’s Ella Pitz (26-17) in 3:18. Humpal did not get the opportunity to wrestle again for the chance at state in a wrestleback as the second-place finisher – fourth-ranked MacKenzie Bachman (33-7) of MFL MarMac – had already defeated her by fall (0:18) in the semifinal round. Humpal wrestled to a record of 4-2 at the regional.

“What we did today was we came out and competed,” said Ciavarelli. “Every single girl on our team went out and competed and gave it their best. They put themselves in good opportunities and that’s a tough regional for ya.”

The Chickasaws’ Drey O’Brien (29-20) – one of six freshmen on NH/TV’s roster – placed fourth at 110 pounds. She came up with wins over Gracey May of Humboldt (11-8 decision) and Laylah Ingledue of Lake Mills (pin in 2:55).

NH/TV sophomore Taelynn Bass (28-18) also went 4-2 on the evening at 105 pounds, but did not place.

Addison Neville (16-20), an NH/TV freshman at 100 pounds – won two matches and freshman Vanessa Salas (17-18) won a match at 115 pounds. Both wrestlers proved their mettle on this day despite not placing.

“You to look at it overall. Every single girl wrestled well. You gotta look at our seeds. Addison got an eight seed. She got what today?” said Ciavarelli. “All our girls pretty much out-wrestled their seed. When you get into these wrestlebacks, it’s up in the air all the time.”

TEAM SCORES		
	SQ	Pts
Osage	6	235
Decorah	5	205
Sumner-Fredericksburg	3	146.5
Lake Mills	2	137
Charles City	2	129
New Hampton/Turkey Valley	2	125
Crestwood	0	109
Humboldt	2	106
MFL MarMac	2	70
Hampton/Dumont/CAL	1	60
West Fork	1	54
North Butler/Clarksville	0	42
Emmetsburg	0	40
Northwood-Kensett	1	30
Riceville	1	23
Eagle Grove	0	18
Tripoli	0	15
Nashua-Plainfield	0	8

NEW HAMPTON/TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

100: Addison Neville did not place. Champ. Round 2 - Neville pinned Kesley Roedel (LM), 1:28. Quarterfinal - Chloe Sheffield (D) pinned Neville, 1:00. Cons. Round 5 - Neville pinned Maleena Sander (SF), 3:17. Cons. Semi - Sophia Calpito (CC) pinned Neville, 1:37.

105: Taelynn Bass did not place. Champ. Round 2 - Bass pinned London Miller (T), 1:59. Quarterfinal - Jasmine Schwartz (LM) pinned Bass, 1:06. Cons. Round 4 - Bass dec. Liv Anderson (D), 7-0. Cons. Round 5 - Bass pinned Olyvia Satern, 1:45. Cons. Semi - Alexis Kolbet (O) pinned Bass, 1:19.

110: Drey O’Brien placed fourth. Quarterfinal - O’Brien dec. Gracey May (H), 11-8. Semifinal - Gable Hemann (O) pinned O’Briens, 1:24. Cons. Semi - O’Brien pinned Laylah Ingledue (LM), 2:55. 3rd Place Match - Emma Schmitt (CC) pinned O’Brien, 0:23.

115: Vanessa Salas did not place. Champ. Round 2 - Salas pinned Elsie Stattelman (H), 4:45. Quarterfinal - Isla Schemmel (Cr) pinned Salas, 0:46. Cons. Round 5 - Ivy Christensen (O) pinned Salas, 0:45.

125: Harper Humpal placed third. Champ. Round 2 - Humpal pinned Madison Parker (H), 1:57. Quarterfinal - Humpal pinned Sophia Stevens (CC), 1:54. Semifinal - MacKenzie Bachman (MFL) pinned Humpal, 0:18. Cons. Semi - Humpal pinned Emma Evens (O), 2:38. 3rd Place Match - Humpal pinned Ella Pitz (SF), 3:18.

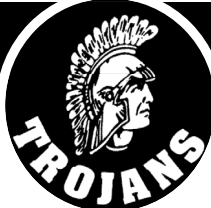
130: Sophie Glaser placed first. Quarterfinal - Glaser pinned Charlotte Koether (MFL), 2:40. Semifinal - Glaser pinned Bristol Parker (D), 1:02. 1st Place Match - Glaser pinned Isabel Christensen (SF), 4:37.

140: Kelly Throndson placed third. Quarterfinal - Throndson pinned Dayton Cleghorn (H), 0:47. Semifinal - Throndson pinned Afton Dean (LM), 4:59. 1st Place Match - McKenzie Tollefson (D) dec. Throndson, 7-0. True-second match - Kaylie Havig (O) 34-18 OT dec. Throndson, 5-4.

235: Ava Trende placed second. Quarterfinal - Montana Wilson (E) pinned Trende, 0:52. Cons. Semi - Trende pinned Emma Schipper (O), 5:51. 3rd Place Match - Trende pinned Sydney Lovrien (NBC), 0:59. 2nd Place Match - Trende dec. Madysen Lippe (D), 3-1.



NH/TV’s Taelynn Bass picks up near-fall points during Friday’s regional.



Turkey Valley Area Calendar of Events

February 2025

Thursday, February 6
4:15 PM Basketball: 7th/8th Boys vs Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle School Rescheduled to 01-30-25

Friday, February 7
4:00 PM Basketball: JV JV Girls/Boys vs West Central (Home)
6:15 PM Basketball: Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs West Central (Home)

Saturday, February 8
State Speech Contest, Large Group

Monday, February 10
4:15 PM Basketball: Boys 7th/8th vs West Central (Home)

Thursday, February 13
4:15 PM Wrestling: 7th/8th Girls vs Cresco vs. TBA (Away)

Friday, February 14
4:15 PM 6:00 PM Basketball: Boys 7th & 8th vs North Fayette Valley MS (Away)

Tuesday, February 11
6:15 PM Basketball: JV JV/Var. Boys vs Postville (Home)
6:15 PM Basketball: Varsity JV/Var. Boys vs Postville (Home)

Wednesday, February 19
National FFA Week

Thursday, February 20
National FFA Week

Friday, February 21
National FFA Week

Saturday, February 22
IHSSA All-State Large Group Speech
National FFA Week

Thursday, February 27
7:00 PM 7-12 Pops Band and Vocal Concert

Saturday, February 15
National FFA Week

Sunday, February 16
National FFA Week

Monday, February 17
National FFA Week
No School

Tuesday, February 18
National FFA Week
4:15 PM Basketball: Boys 7th/8th Boys vs Postville MS (Away)
4:15 PM Wrestling: Girls 7th/8th Girls vs Waukon vs. TBA (Away)

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New Hampton boys start fast but can't finish off South Winn

Despite frustrating non-conference defeat, Chickasaw boys coach lauds team's seniors

By BOB FENSKE
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In a season full of losses, the one suffered Monday night by the New Hampton boys basketball team might have been the most painful.

It was Senior Night, the Chickasaws got off to a fast-and-furious start and New Hampton had appeared to survive an undermanned South Winneshiek's squad best shot and taken a 38-33 halftime lead when Caden Rochford hit a buzzer-beating 3-pointer.

But the second half belonged to the Warriors as they rallied for a 67-60 non-conference victory and extended New Hampton's losing streak to three as it dropped to 3-15.

"We've just got to battle and we got to finish and we got to be better and we got to make more shots," New Hampton coach Ryan Rausch said. "I'm tired of saying all that stuff, because at some point, you just have to win games. ... We were right there, just couldn't quite finish."

The loss to South Winneshiek came on the heels of a blowout defeat to North Fayette Valley on Thursday and a competitive NEIC setback against Charles City on Friday.

For a while Monday, it looked like New Hampton was going to run and hide from the Warriors, who were missing two double-digit scorers in Matson Winings and Carson Streeter.

The Chickasaws raced out to a 19-4 lead as five different players — Adam Ewert, Rochford, Reid Rausch, Braxton Bundy and Kye Rausch — scored in the game's first five minutes.

A Reid Rausch 3-pointer to start the second quarter gave New Hampton a 28-13 lead, but South Winneshiek found its footing and reeled off an 18-5 run to cut the deficit to 33-31.

However, a pretty pass from Ewert led to a Rochford layup and then the latter just beat the horn to send the Chickasaws into the break up seven.

"We went out and executed," Ryan Rausch said. "We looked really good, confident, hit shots, got stops, didn't give up open looks, rebounded the basketball. We just did everything you're supposed to do when you're playing well. We didn't panic when they came back, and I felt like we had all the momentum going into the locker room."

And when Reid Rausch hit a 3-pointer to open the third



Bob Fenske/Tribune
New Hampton's Carson Laures (above) powers his way to a basket in Friday's game against Charles City while teammate Braxton Bundy (below) drives the baseline in Monday night's game against South Winneshiek.

quarter, it looked like the Chickasaws were on their way to their fourth win of the season.

But after a Bundy assist led to a Reid Rausch layup to put New Hampton up 45-38 midway through the third quarter, the Warriors clawed their way back into the game with a 12-6 run that had New Hampton clinging to a one-point advantage, 51-50, heading into the final period.

South Winn scored the quarter's first six points, but New Hampton found life when Kye Rausch drew a charge with 4:36 left. Sixteen seconds later, Carson Laures scored New Hampton's first basket of the fourth quarter to cut the deficit to 56-53.

A Bundy 3-pointer a minute later made it 58-56, but it was as close as New Hampton would get as South Winneshiek

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Bob Fenske/Tribune
New Hampton seniors Jackie Pickar and Cora Schwickerath exit the court late in the game as winners on Senior Night while Caycee Crawford (below) heads down the court after picking up a loose ball in Monday's game against South Winneshiek on Monday night.

Chickasaw girls heating up at right time

New Hampton follows up rout of North Fayette Valley with a win against another future conference opponent

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It was just a couple of minutes in a 32-minute game, but it showed just how far the New Hampton girls basketball team has come in the 2024-25 season.

There were the Chickasaws, completely shutting down South Winneshiek's possession on Monday night to force a shot clock violation. And there were Chickasaws hitting the floor to come up with steals that led to two Ava Leichtman fast-break baskets.

And when it was all said and done, New Hampton had something it hasn't had in two years — a winning steak.

After blowing out North Fayette Valley 66-46 on Thursday night, New Hampton won its second straight game with a gritty, grind-it-out 61-45 victory over South Winneshiek on Monday. It marked the first time the Chickasaws had won two-straight basketball games when they beat Central Springs and Charles City on back-to-back nights in early February 2023.

On Monday night, it was the defense that rose to the occasion.

"We said before the game the offense we're going to run is our defense," New Hampton coach David Leichtman said after his team improved to 4-13 with

the win over the Warriors. "We talked about defense is going to lead us to what we want to do on the offensive end, and the girls all bought in. They laid their bodies out on the line — jump balls, tie ups, blocks, rebounds. They were just flying tonight."

Not that the offense was bad, either; after all, if you score 61 points in high school girls basketball, you, as Leichtman said, "have a decent shot of winning."

It marked the second straight game in which New Hampton lit up the scoreboard.

"I think we're just finally playing with confidence for a whole game," said Ava Leichtman after she scored 23 points in the win over South Winneshiek. "I think we just got tired of playing like one good quarter and then losing games. We're just determined to end strong."

Take that North Fayette Valley game, as an example.

The Chickasaws roared out to a 20-4 first quarter lead and never looked back.

Contrast that to games last month — like one against Waukon for one and one against Waterloo Columbus for another. In both those games, New Hampton jumped out to big first quarter advantages only to see those leads slip away over the next three quarters.

"I have to only point to confidence," coach Leichtman said.



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New Hampton and Forest City bowlers stand at attention for the playing of the National Anthem before Friday's meet.

Chickasaw bowlers send out seniors with a win

New Hampton tops Forest City, learns it will go west, far west, for district tournament later this month

By Kelly Terpstra
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A rock and a hard place. The state of Iowa had its hands tied as far as keeping the top bowling teams in Class 1A from having to face one another at the state qualifying meets, which will be held in a couple of weeks on Tuesday, Feb. 18. So much so that the second-ranked New Hampton Chickasaws are headed out west for an almost three-and-a-half hour drive to the district meet in Sanborn, hosted by Hartley-Melvin-

Sanborn – which is located an hour-plus northeast of Sioux City. The Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSA) released the post-season pairings late last week where New Hampton – the second-best team in the small-school class in terms of match average (3,112) behind defending state champ Maquoketa (3,150) – will hit Highway 18 some 180 miles away from home base in eastern Iowa and the friendly confines of Bowlaway Lanes in attempt to crack the state field. The Chickasaws – 8-2 and in just

their third year of competition – hosted the qualifier last winter. Not in 2024-2025 as New Hampton will be one of seven teams, including the host Hawks. The host school is headquartered in Hartley, but the merged and consolidated members of the War Eagle Conference compete on their home alley of Locomotion Lanes in Sanborn. One of the reasons for the long drive out to O'Brien County for the Chickasaws is the IHSA prefers to

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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Ava Trende (above) and Harper Humpal work on finishing off falls during Friday's Class 1A regional tournament that was held in Osage.

JUBILATION AND HEARTBREAK

CHICKASAWS' GLASER, TRENDE EARN TRIPS TO STATE AT LOADED REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

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Ava Trende said it best when she summed up a long night in Osage last Friday where dreams were realized and broken at the regional girls wrestling state qualifier. The freshman 235-pounder experienced the latter of those emotions after exacting revenge over Decorah junior Madysen Lippe in each grappler's wrestleback. "All I gotta say is go Chickasaws," said Trende after

the AAU state champ from a year ago wrestled her way into the state tournament after securing the biggest win of her mat career. Win or lose, the New Hampton/Turkey Valley Chickasaws proved to the state that they're going to be around for awhile and vie for state berths on a consistent basis after wrestling their hearts out at arguably the toughest region in Class 1A. In fact, the community of

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New Hampton/Turkey Valley's Jax Shekleton finishes off a takedown of Decorah's Justin Fortman during Saturday's Northeast Iowa Conference tournament.

Chickasaw boys finish in middle

Shekleton wins title in final NEIC tourney

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Don't get Jax Shekleton wrong, winning an individual title at the final Northeast Iowa Conference tournament was cool, but he has bigger fish to fry. "This is a pretty big deal," the New Hampton/Turkey Valley sophomore said after claiming the 150-pound crown Saturday, "but you're going to get right back tomorrow because everyone starts fresh on Monday. It means a lot, but it's just one more step." Shekleton was the lone Chickasaw to claim a title at the round-robin, five-team tournament as New Hampton/Turkey Valley finished smack dab in the middle of the points race. Decorah claimed the team title with 148.5 points, 8.5 more than Crestwood while NH/TV finished with 108. In addition to Shekleton's title run – one that included two pins and a technical fall – the Chickasaws had five wrestlers claim runner-up honors in the tournament that marked the end of the road for the NEIC, which will disband at the end of the upcoming summer sports season. Shekleton had a strong freshman season, going 20-15 and qualifying for the state tournament, but he's been even better, much better in fact, this season. "He's gotten a lot better, and he's been figuring out on all steps of his game – offense, defense, bottom, top," NH/TV coach Matt Paulus said. "I think he's come a long way, and he

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