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Board inches down levy rates

Supervisors agree to cut proposed GS rate by 7 cents, drop RSB by a nickel

By BOB FENSKE

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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors agreed on Monday to cut a little from the max levy rates for two of the three funds it controls.

Board members spent about 20 minutes discussing lowering the levy rates for General Supplemental (GS) and Rural Services Basic (RSB) and

agreed to publish legal notices for an April 14 public hearing on the 2025-26 budget.

Last month, the board set its maximum tax levy rate for GS at \$1.92 per \$1,000 valuation and \$3.55 for RSB, and according to state law, once those levy rates are published, they can not be raised but can be lowered.

On Monday, Board Chairman Jake Hackman asked his fellow supervisors

to consider lower rates for both levies. The other main levy, General Basic (GB), is capped at \$3.50 per \$1,000 valuation, and supervisors have spent the past few months working on making sure that fund's ending balance would meet the recommended 25 percent of expenditures.

Hackman, though, said he felt both GS and RSB were in a strong enough position to reduce the levy rate. He

asked board members to consider dropping the GS rate from \$1.92 to either \$1.87 or \$1.80.

"I think either one of those would be a very good, conservative balance for next June," said Hackman, pointing out that GS expenditures will be lower because the county is moving forward with eliminating six positions.

Because GS pays for employee benefits like IPERS, FICA and health insurance, its proposed expenditures will be dropping.

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Board gets little feedback during tax levy hearing

Two school district residents speak during public hearing, but final budget still just 'guess'

By BOB FENSKE
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It wasn't exactly "crickets" Monday evening at the New Hampton School Board's public hearing on its max levy, but it was pretty dang quiet.

Just two residents spoke during the hearing that lasted for about 10 minutes, and one of them asked all of one question.

"Really, what it comes down to, when you're talking about the budget for us, we're the messengers," Board Member Nate Schwickerath said. "The Legislature tells us how much we're to spend per student. So we're really just the messengers."

The school district, as of now, is proposing a tax-levy rate of \$12.0210 per \$1,000 valuation, up 6.3 percent from this year's rate that was \$11.3080 per \$1,000 valuation. If that rate holds, the district would collect \$6,848,944 in property tax revenue in 2025-26, up 9.8 percent from the \$6,232,623 the district will take in this year.

But Superintendent Jay Jurrens and School Board members have said that they expect that tax-rate levy to go down in the coming weeks.

On Monday, Jurrens again pointed out that the Legislature has yet to set State Supplemental Aid (SSA), which determines per-pupil funding for school districts around the state, even though state code requires them to do so within 30 days of the governor delivering her State of the State address.

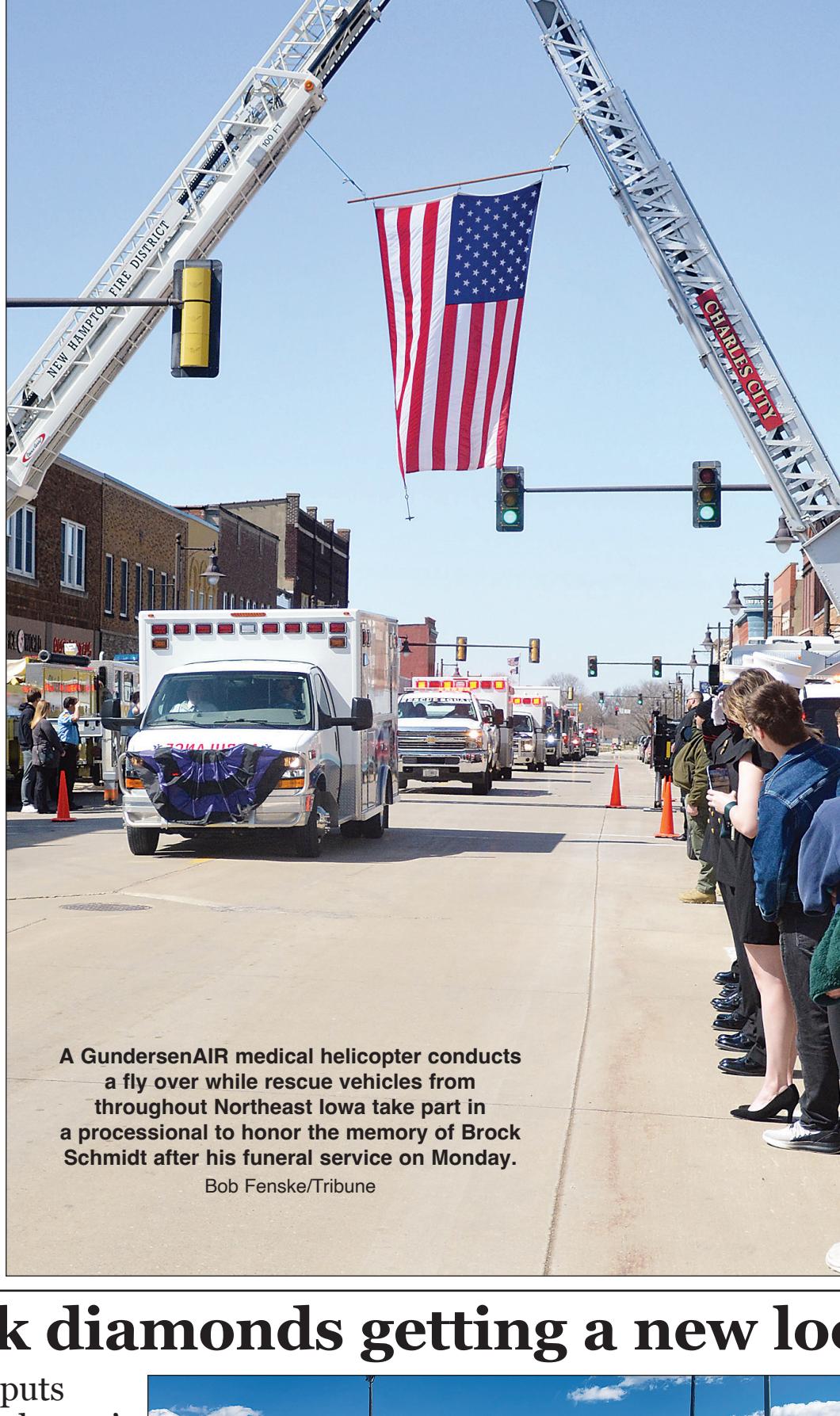
That deadline, this year, was Feb. 12.

But there's no penalty for missing the target date, and there have been years in which the Legislature and governor haven't come up with an agreement on SSA until the final hours of the session.

That makes budgeting, as Jurrens put it a couple of weeks ago, tricky. While the House of Representatives is favoring a 2.25 percent increase to SSA, the Senate is favoring a 2 percent increase. New Hampton put together its budget with a 3.5 percent increase.

"We hope to have it before the budget is due," Superintendent Jay Jurrens said Monday night.

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A GundersonAIR medical helicopter conducts a fly over while rescue vehicles from throughout Northeast Iowa take part in a procession to honor the memory of Brock Schmidt after his funeral service on Monday.

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A SAD, BEAUTIFUL FAREWELL

By BOB FENSKE

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Brock Schmidt touched so many lives during his all-too-short time on this Earth.

That's a given. It's been said by those who loved him, those who worked with him and those who only may have only met him a time or two.

If anyone doubted the impact he made on New Hampton and Chickasaw County, they were proven wrong on Monday when Trinity Lutheran Church was filled to the proverbial brim with those who came to offer love and support to his family during the funeral of the Chickasaw County EMS EMT and Chickasaw County Rescue Squad volunteer who passed away at the age of 41 on March 22 while on duty at the ambulance station.

When the service ended, an extraordinary procession took place as emergency vehicles

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Mikkelsen Park diamonds getting a new look this summer

Grant from Minnesota Twins puts \$79,000 softball project 'over the top'

By BOB FENSKE

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Krissy Anderson has always been a Minnesota Twins fan, but her fandom, if you will, grew exponentially last week.

That's when the New Hampton High School softball coach found out that the Twins Community Fund had awarded the diamond renovation project at Mikkelsen Park a \$15,000 Fields for Kids Grant, which put the project "over the top."

"First off, we've had great support, but to get that notice, that was pretty exciting," said

Anderson, who is taking over as the Chickasaws' head coach this summer. It's going to be really exciting for both our softball teams and our fans."

The \$79,000 project includes putting up a net backstop similar to the one the varsity baseball diamond has had for several years, new black fencing down the first and third baselines, revamping the bullpen and hitting cage down the left-field line, installing a bullpen along the right-field line (New Hampton's home dugout), the

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Work has started on a major renovation to the New Hampton High School varsity softball diamond at Mikkelsen Park.

New scoreboard coming to baseball's 'Diamond of the Year'

By BOB FENSKE
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Anyone who knows Cory McDonald realizes he subscribes to the "if-you're-not-moving-forward-you're-falling-behind" mantra.

The Mikkelsen Park baseball field the Chickasaws call home in the summer may have just received its second Diamond of the Year Award in the past five years from the Iowa Baseball Coaches Association during its

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Teeing it up

The New Hampton golf teams getting ready to kick off their seasons next week

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On to nationals!

Karla Pickar, a senior at New Hampton High School, won a gold medal at FCCLA Iowa State Competition in the Job Interview category on March 25.

Only the top two gold medal winners were chosen to continue on to FCCLA Nationals. This year FCCLA national competition will be held in Orlando, Florida in July.

"Karla will go on to nationals and have a chance to win scholarship money," said April Schmitt, Family and Consumer Science teacher at the school, who commended Pickar on her "hard work, excellent presentation and prepared portfolio."

Karla's parents are Sarah and Mike Pickar of New Hampton.

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A MercyOne Waterloo ambulance goes on station Monday afternoon at the Chickasaw County EMS building, where the flag flies at half-staff in honor of the memory of Brock Schmidt.

Rescue agencies from near and far take part in procession

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ranging from ambulance rigs to fire trucks to police cars to Rescue Squad vehicles made their way down New Hampton's Main Street to escort Schmidt to his final resting place.

The procession began in the sky, as a GundersenAIR helicopter conducted a fly-over.

It was, as one onlooker so succinctly put it, "sad and beautiful."

For his family and for those who worked side-by-side with Schmidt — both at the Chickasaw Ambulance Service and Chickasaw County EMS — it had been an excruciating week since that Saturday morning when he was found unresponsive in the living quarter at the ambulance station.

Schmidt had grown up in Janesville and while he was a proud Wildcat graduate, he made New Hampton his home — serving for years on the city's Fire Department, joining the EMS world in 2015 when he was hired by Chickasaw Ambulance Service

owner Jeremy McGrath as a driver and then becoming one of the first employees hired by Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson.

He was one of three full-time employees at the ambulance service that began running on Jan. 1, 2023.

"I don't think the ache's ever really ever going to go away," Knutson said Tuesday, "but I know the amount of support that was there yesterday was really impactful for all of us. Knowing Brock, he's looking down and saying something like 'for me?' But he deserved it, he really deserved it."

Every law-enforcement and rescue agency in Chickasaw County turned out for the funeral. So, too, did ambulances from outside the county, including those from Waterloo, Decorah, Sumner, Tripoli and more.

They all came to pay tribute to a true public servant, one who was always there to help those in need, and when the sad and beautiful procession was complete, a MercyOne

Waterloo rig manned the ambulance station where Schmidt worked and served the people of Chickasaw County.

On that MercyOne crew was Jim Stanton, a New Hampton native.

"The support we've received, the support I know Marea and the family has received has just been utterly amazing," Knutson said. "I think of the people like [Jim], who were willing to do anything for us the last week. It was comforting to know that someone who knew the area was here."

Then again, those who knew Brock Schmidt will tell you that if the roles were reversed, he would have done the same thing.

They say life moves on, and maybe there's some truth to that.

But on a gorgeous early spring Monday, when sirens filled the air on Main Street in New Hampton, those who knew him best joined those who just knew of him to bid Brock Schmidt a sad and beautiful goodbye.

NHHS alum's students display art at Carnegie

Glaser exudes excitement as her Nashua-Plainfield fourth-graders' art featured at museum

BY BOB FENSKE

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As Nashua-Plainfield Community Schools art teacher Marie Glaser talked in the Carnegie Cultural Center, she was surrounded by works created by her fourth-graders.

And she exuded enthusiasm. For art. For her students. For her career.

"I'm so proud of these kids," she said. "They really poured their hearts and souls into their work. They wanted to make it special, and I think they did."

Her fourth-grade students' art work is being featured at the New Hampton museum, making this a sort of "art homecoming" for Glaser, who graduated from New Hampton High in 2013. On Sunday, the Carnegie held an open house for the exhibit, and Glaser excitedly shared the stories behind the art work.

There were the kids who were inspired by Romero Bitto, a Brazilian known for his use of vibrant colors in his paintings.

There were the three students who wanted to make sure their ceramics were put into the art show. Among those three students was a youngster named Drake, who has made a mug every year since the first grade and, as Glaser put it, "they just keep getting better and better."

There was a piece by a girl named Addison who is a perfectionist, enough so that she wanted to skip recess to make sure her project was exhibit worthy.

"Some of my biggest perfectionists are elementary students," Glaser said. "They get in there and they're working on it, and they're like, 'Can we stay inside for recess?' It's nice to see that



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Nashua-Plainfield art teacher Marie Glaser poses for a photo with her students' art work that is part of an exhibit at the Carnegie Cultural Center.

at the elementary. You know, they're very eager and excited to get to come to art class."

Glaser's students certainly run the proverbial gamut, for she is a K-12 teacher. Mornings are with her high school students, and then she makes the short jaunt for afternoons with her elementary students.

"It's the middle of the day, and yes, you really have to change gears," she said. "You really have to switch what you're thinking about and the way you talk about art and how you handle situations."

Still, she couldn't imagine having any other job, for even as a Chickasaw more than a decade ago, her dream was to become an art teacher.

Glaser knows that the vast majority of her students aren't going to become professional artists, but she's OK with that. She's emphatic when she says there's value in art.

"They learn all

sorts of things," she said, "from getting out their supplies to working together as a team when we clean up. They get to experience art, but they also learn a lot of things that they'll use no matter what they grow up to be."

Two big ones are collaboration and problem solving.

"If you accidentally spilled something on your painting or if you accidentally splashed on someone else's painting, how can we solve this problem, how can we work together? It's nice to see those creative boundaries to get pushed and for kids to work and kind of explore."

Glaser is in her sixth year at Nashua-Plainfield, and she said she feels fortunate to be teaching in a district and in a community that supports art education.

And it doesn't really matter what the ages are or what the talent level is in her classroom. It's a high-energy place, trust the reporter who has walked by both her classrooms over the past six years.

"We have fun every day," she said. "If you're not having fun, you're not doing art."

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To the Tribune

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Week is April 7-12. Iowa's 100 county extension offices will host "I Spy Cy" activities and educational events throughout the week to thank Iowans for their support of ISU Extension and Outreach throughout the state.

"This celebration is one way we show our appreciation for the people who participate in our educational programs, as well as the many volunteers, community leaders, organizations, agencies and other partners who sup-

port our work in Chickasaw County," said Amanda Tupper, Chickasaw County Director.

Throughout Extension & Outreach Week, Chickasaw County will host a "Bucket of Spring" social media giveaway. By following our Facebook page, ISU Extension & Outreach - Chickasaw County, and sharing the giveaway post, participants will be entered into a drawing for a bucket filled with spring-themed items. Coloring and activity pages will be available at local libraries and the ISU Extension and Outreach

Chickasaw County office. Additionally, council members will be featured on our social media pages, and free seed packets will be available to the public at the office and local food pantries.

ISU Extension and Outreach is part of the federal Cooperative Extension Service — a network of more than 100 land-grant institutions, including Iowa State University and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, serving communities and counties across the United States. Every county in Iowa has an elected extension council that

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The Chickasaw County Extension Council members are Diane Brown, Matt Carlton, Ben Freidhof, Tammy Jordan, Kim Kuehner, Mike Nehl, Mary Schrandt-Prouty, Tony Schwickerath, and Tara Underwood.

"ISU Extension and Outreach delivers education, facilitates collaboration and sparks action. We're making a difference for the people of Chickasaw County — whether measured in

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Superintendent: Three factors lead to tax-levy rate increase

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"but I'm going to guess that it's not going to happen so we have to kind of guess what they're going to do. We have guessed high because I'd much rather have a higher number and then when they set it at whatever they set it at, it's easier to drop it."

When district resident Kathy Shekleton asked if the levy rate was "set in stone," School Board President Jay Matthews response was quick.

"Definitely, 100 percent not," he said, but Jurrens added that "there will be an increase, though. I don't want to mislead anyone, but it will be lower than what's there, for sure."

Jurrens said three factors are leading to the levy-rate and tax-asking increase.

First, New Hampton's enrollment is increasing — it was up 22 this year and the district has 74 more students than it did three years ago.

Second, the cost of the district's property and casualty insurance continue to skyrocket. Jurrens said the policy cost \$217,000, and this year, it was \$445,000 and school officials have been told to expect a "significant increase" next year as well.

And third, Jurrens said the district needs to replenish its cash reserve funds because of an \$850,000 deficit in its special-ed funding.

New Hampton resident Jeremy McGrath asked board members to do what they can to keep the tax rate as low as possible.

"Certainly, I want the school to provide sufficient services, but we also have to be mindful that there's a lot of folks in

our community who have fixed incomes," he said. "Can I afford 150 or 200 bucks? Yeah, I can, but grandma on Social Security might not be able to. So please keep that in mind when you're looking at the whole deal."

He also pointed out that the use of TIF funds by the city of New Hampton means that the "rest of us get to pick up the tab," and Jurrens agreed with him.

The superintendent said the state dictates that "we get \$8,000 per student times the number of students that we have, and we charge whatever tax we have to collect that amount of money."

In an interview on March 17, Jurrens said that he expected the final tax-levy rate would be between \$11.80 and \$11.90 per \$1,000 valuation.

The last time New Hampton's tax-levy rate was above \$12 was in 2018, the first year the district began making payments on the \$19,415 bond referendum that voters approved in February 2017 to build a new middle school, competition gymnasium and vocational agriculture and industrial technology center.

Since then, the district levies \$1.60 per \$1,000 valuation for the debt service on the building project.

That means without the debt service, New Hampton's levy would be \$10,4210 this coming year, which compares with the \$10,58887 levy rate in the year before debt payments began.

The School Board will hold its second and final public hearing on the 2025-26 budget during its regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 21.



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New Turkey Valley FFA officers

The Turkey Valley FFA chapter's 2025-26 officer team — (from left) Treasurer Eli Holthaus, President Hunter Kruse, Vice President Nicholas Bernhard, Reporters Jocelynn DeSloover and Kendall Kuennen, Sentinel Wyatt Maklenberg and Secretary Hazel Nieman — pose for a photo at the chapter's annual banquet that was held on March 22.

During the event, chapter members were honored for the impact they are making on the communities that make up Turkey Valley and for their diligent work in the classroom.

Residents reach donor milestones at latest blood drive

There were 53 registered donors and 53 units of blood collected from the March 25 New Hampton Community Blood Drive.

Six participants reached their gallon milestones, led by Brian Geschke with 23

gallons and Marvis Njus with 22 gallons. With his 100th donation, Allen Rosonke reached 13 gallons, with Robert Shatek at nine gallons and both Jaclyn Jirak Wright and Daniel Feenstra reaching three gallons.

According to a release by the LifeServe

Blood Center, those combined six individuals have helped save the lives of 1,752 people.

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Seeking to connect with God is another of those opportunities that we cannot miss, not because God is not available to be found, but because we give up the opportunity to do so.

We find excuses and allow our everyday lives to become our explanation for not turning to God. We need to let them be the reason why we urgently need to draw near to God; and

when we do finally take this step, God does not reject us or judge us harshly.

On the contrary, God promises to receive us with compassion and forgiveness. No matter how far away we are, God's love and grace make it worthwhile to seek God today and always.

I have been leading a sermon series and confirmation classes on the Lord's Prayer during Lent.

The petition on "Thy Will Be Done" brings to us our relinquishment of control to God. We trust our lives to the care of God and God's control; thus, the prayer to let God take over.

Sometimes, we cling to our ideas and plans, thinking that we know what is best for us. But God reminds us that God's ideas, plans, and actions are above anything we can devise, plan, or do. This means that what God has for us

is infinitely better than we can imagine. Even if sometimes we don't understand why certain things happen, we can trust that God is walking with us through those times.

When we face challenges, we can rest in the truth that God sees the big picture. God knows what we need and guides us with love. Instead of getting frustrated when something doesn't go our way, we can trust in the goodness and wisdom of God, who knows what is best.

We live in a world that tells us we need more to be happy and satisfied: more success, more friends, more entertainment, more material things.

However, scripture reminds us that true satisfaction is something different. It is not found in what we have, nor in what we can get, not in our life circumstances, but in God.

When we connect with



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

God, we find strength, peace, and joy, even in difficult, uncertain, and changing times like the ones we are living in.

Whether we are in times of abundance or hardship, in God we find all that we really need to live and flourish in life. If today you feel that something is missing, reach out to God. For only God can satisfy you completely and give you the strength you need to stretch yourself forward. Happy connecting!

Unique Easter traditions from around the globe

Easter Sunday is a significant day on the Christian calendar. Easter Sunday will be celebrated two weeks from this Sunday, and many of those celebrations will feature some notable traditions.

Some traditions are undoubtedly familiar to practicing Christians, while others might come as a surprise. As Easter approaches, faithful Christians and others intrigued by the holiday can consider these notable traditions from around the globe.

Fireworks in Florence

The folk tradition of Scoppio del Carro ("Explosion of the Cart") takes place in Florence, Italy. The Uffizi Gallery reports that this tradition can be traced to the First Crusade in 1099. During the first Easter in Jerusalem, Crusaders gave the blessed fire to the people as a symbol of purification.

That custom has endured in Florence, where each Easter Sunday morning around 10 a.m. a candle is lit in the church of Santi Apostoli. That same candle is then

used to light an antique cart loaded with fireworks, marking the beginning of a display that lasts around 20 minutes.

The Carpets of Semana Santa

Carpets might not be the first thing most Easter celebrants think of when pondering the holiday, but that might be the case for anyone who's ever spent the holiday in Antigua, Guatemala. Guatemala's Semana Santa ("Easter Festival") features detailed carpets of colored sawdust adorning a Good Friday processional route.

Preparation for the colorful and stunning display begins months in advance as the intricate carpets require ample time to produce.

Easter witches

Witches are typically associated with Halloween, but they play a role in celebrating Easter in Finland. According to the Finland Promotion Board, Easter traditions in the northern European nation feature a mixture of religious references with

customs related to the arrival of spring.

It's not unheard of for young Finnish children, particularly girls, to dress up as Easter witches the Sunday before Easter and go from door to door requesting treats in exchange for offerings designed to drive away evil spirits. The FPB notes that it's even common for children in western Finland to don their witch outfits and roam on Easter Sunday.

Whips in the Czech Republic

Among the more unique Easter traditions takes place each Easter Monday in the Czech Republic. In adherence to this tradition, known locally as pomlázka, boys, and sometimes men, gather willow branches and braid them together into whips.

The whips are then decorated with ribbons before boys visit girls (or men) visit women) who they know and lightly tap them with the whips. The tradition is believed to bring women luck, vitality and fertility.

You, my brothers and sisters,
were called to be free.
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to indulge the flesh;
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Time for Some Financial Spring Cleaning

Spring is here — which means it's once again time to wash the windows, organize your cabinets and steam your carpets. This year, in addition to tidying up around your house, why not also consider some financial spring cleaning?

Here are some suggestions to consider:

- "De-clutter" your investment portfolio. When you embark on your home cleaning mission, you might notice that you have redundancies — three blenders, two vacuum cleaners, and so on. Similarly, you might find duplications in your investment portfolio, perhaps in the form of multiple, near-identical stocks or mutual funds. If so, then it might be worthwhile to consider selling some of these investments and using the proceeds to boost your portfolio in other areas in which you may be lacking.

- Cut back on "overgrown" investments. Now that winter is over and you're venturing outside more, you may notice some overgrown shrubbery or some tree branches that need pruning. And while it may sound counterintuitive, you might also have some investments that have grown too big for your needs. For example, you might own some growth-oriented investments whose value has increased so much that they now take up a larger percentage of your portfolio — and carry a higher degree of risk — than you originally intended. If that's the case, you might be better off by selling some of these investments and purchasing others to help bring your investment mix back to its desired alignment.

- Dust off your investment strategy. With more sunlight now pouring in your house, you might notice that the corners of your walls and ceiling may need a good dusting. And as you continually work to strengthen your financial foundation, you may need to dust off your investment strategy, especially if you've recently experienced changes in your life, such as a marriage, addi-



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tion of children, new job, and so on. And as you move closer to retirement, you may also need to adjust your strategy in some ways. For one thing, you might want to adopt a more conservative investment approach in the years immediately preceding your retirement, though you'll still need to have some growth potential in your portfolio to help keep you ahead of inflation.

- Protect yourself from financial dangers. As you go about your household spring cleaning, you may find actual physical dangers that need to be removed or stored more safely, such as sharp objects or broken tools. And as you navigate daily life, you may also find threats to your financial safety — the need for an expensive home improvement, or a major car repair or an unexpected large medical bill. If you don't have the money available to pay these expenses, you might be forced to dip into your retirement accounts or run up your credit card or take out a high-rate loan. To protect yourself from having to make these moves, you may want to maintain an emergency fund containing several months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid account, separate from those you use for your daily living expenses.

Of course, some of these moves can take some time — but by getting started on them soon, you can help put your financial house in better shape by the time the next spring cleaning rolls around.

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

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Is this some kind of April Fool's Day joke?

Elaine Andrews (above) flashes the peace sign as she exits the downtown Kwik Star in New Hampton while Jamison Porath (below) returns his cart to the store, and wet, sticky snow obscures the convenience store's sign on the west side of town on Tuesday evening.

In other words, it sure didn't feel or look like April 1, but hang on folks, by the middle of next week, we may see a steady diet of high temperatures in the 60s.

Kelly Terpstra/Tribune



Thank You

I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who sent a card or a gift or phoned a message for my 90th birthday. Your kindness truly made my day special.

Mary Jean Martin

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Everybody Hurts' 'Run, Walk & Ride' early registration deadline is April 11

Everybody Hurts will hold its fifth annual "Run, Walk & Ride" event on Friday, April 25.

In addition to the 5K run, walk or bike ride, this year's event will include a meal, a silent auction and a keynote speaker.

A freewill donation will be taken for the meal, and the cost for the event is \$15 if registered by Friday, April 11, and \$20 for those who register after that date.

Children ages 8 and under do not have to pay a registration fee, but in order to take part in the race, they must be accompanied by an adult.

This year's event will be held at the Chickasaw Event Center and the Run, Walk & Ride will begin and end at the center.

Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m., and the race, which will take place "rain or shine," is set to start at 6 p.m.

Money raised during the event will go to support a variety of programs and scholarships that are offered by the non-profit that focuses on suicide prevention and mental health awareness.

For more information or to register for the April 25, event, go to the Facebook page "Everybody Hurts CCIA."

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Forecast

Thursday: Partly sunny with a high of 50 and a low of 31.

Friday: Partly sunny with a high of 54 and a low of 35.

Saturday: Partly sunny with a high of 52 and a low of 30.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 52 and a low of 30.

Extended forecast: We're starting the work week on the cool side with highs in the mid-40s but we could have a stretch of 60-degree days beginning on Wednesday.

Meetings**MONDAY**

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

• New Hampton City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

History

• In 1513, near present-day St. Augustine, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de León comes ashore on the Florida coast, and claims the territory for the Spanish crown.

• In 1776, lacking sufficient funds to build a strong navy, the Continental Congress gives privateers permission to attack any and all British ships.

• In 1860, the first Pony Express mail, traveling by horse and rider relay teams, simultaneously leaves St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California.

• In 1865, the Rebel capital of Richmond, Virginia, falls to the Union, the most significant sign that the Confederacy is nearing its final days.

• In 1936, Bruno Richard Hauptmann, convicted in the 1932 kidnapping and murder of the 20-month-old son of Charles A. Lindbergh, is executed by electrocution.

• In 1948, President Harry S. Truman signs the Economic Assistance Act, better known as the Marshall Plan, to help Europe recover from the devastation wrought by World War II.

Birthdays

• Author Washington Irving, who wrote "Legend of Sleepy Hollow," was born in 1783.

• Singer and actress Doris Day was born in 1922.

• Film star Marlon Brando was born in 1924.

• Hall-of-Fame football player Jared Allen turns 43.

• Comedian and actor Eddie Murphy turns 64.

• Actor Alec Baldwin turns 67.

Corrections

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

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David Lee Trower, 85

David Lee Trower, age 85 of Jesup, died Saturday, March 29, 2025, at Rehabilitation Centers of Independence-West Campus in Independence.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, April 4, 2025, at the First United Methodist Church, Jesup, with burial later at Cedar Crest Cemetery, Jesup.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m., Thursday, April 3, 2025, at the White Funeral Home, Jesup, and for an hour before services Friday at the church.

Memorials will be directed to the First United Methodist Church in Jesup. Online condolences may be posted at www.White-MtHope.com

David was born August 30, 1939, in Marcus in Cherokee County, the son of Jessie BERT Trower and Elsie Emma (Pendleton) Trower. The family moved to Primghar, where David graduated from high school in 1957.

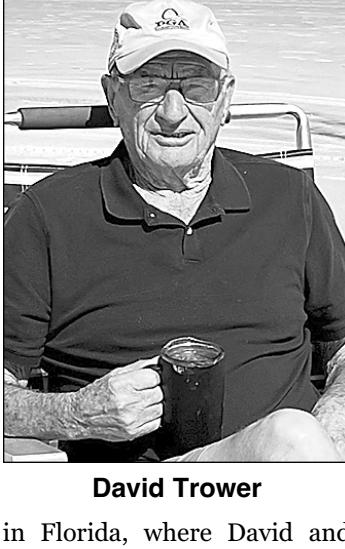
He attended Doane College in Crete, Nebraska, for one year and then attended Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls.

He was first married to Sharrol Ruth Sweitzer. Three sons were born during this time. The couple later divorced.

Then on Dec. 18, 1999, David married Glenda Sue (Donlea) Grant at the Methodist church in Jesup.

David worked at John Deere in Waterloo for 30 years before retirement, and also owned and operated City Auto Salvage in New Hampton.

He was involved in area stock car racing for many years and was a NASCAR racing fan, attending many Daytona 500's



David Trower

in Florida, where David and Glenda enjoyed spending their winters.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Jesup and UAW Local 838 in Waterloo.

David is survived by his wife, Glenda Trower of Jesup; and three sons, Mike (Sandy) Trower of Davidson, North Carolina, Archie Trower of New Hampton, and Tony (Stacy) Trower of New Hampton. He

is also survived by Glenda's children, whom he cherished as well, Micah Kremer of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, and Brian (Stephanie Felch) Grant of Monte Rio, California;

eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Roger (Annette)

Trower of Folkston, Georgia, and LeRoy (Sandy) Trower of Allerton.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

White Funeral Home, Jesup, is in charge of the arrangements.

Deborah 'Deb' Koester, 65

Deborah "Deb" Koester, age 65 of Alta Vista, died Monday, Dec. 30, 2024, at MercyOne New Hampton Medical Center.

A Celebration of Life event will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, April 4, 2025, at Prairie Lakes Church in New Hampton with the Rev. Cory Orr officiating.

A private meal will be held in Deb's honor following the service at the Chickasaw Event Center.

Friends may greet the family from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Friday, April 4, 2025, at Praire Lakes Chuch in New Hampton.

Deb Koester passed away on Dec. 30, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer. Deb Koester will be deeply missed by many.

She was a powerful woman of God, who loved Jesus Christ. One of her outstanding traits was her selflessness — putting others' needs before her own.

Another talent was her listening skills. She was joyful and lighthearted. Her smile, laughter, and sparkling eyes were contagious.

Deb joined Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. as a successful consultant in 1988. She earned the position of independent sales director in 1994 and went on to become independent



Deb Koester

senior sales director in 2001. Deb spent time working as the publisher of the Alta Vista Shopper for 8 1/2 years.

All the while, Deb worked with and supported her beloved husband, Todd.

Her love, joy and influence on the lives around her will not be forgotten!

Deb is survived by her lifetime soulmate, Todd Koester of Alta Vista; and two brothers, Terry (Khanh) Urwiler of Tucson, Arizona, and Dan (Ulu) Urwiler of Kauai, Hawaii.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Sibyl Imogene Brees, 90

Sibyl Imogene Brees, age 90 of New Hampton, died Monday, Feb. 24, 2024, at the Shell Rock Healthcare Center.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2025, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton, where there will be a 6 p.m. prayer service led by the Rev. Paula Hemann.

Graveside service will be held 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 4, 2025, at Hudson City Cemetery in Hudson.

James 'Jim' Oelberg, 64

James "Jim" Oelberg, age 64 of Clinton and formerly of Elma, died Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at his home.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 28, 2025, at Hugeback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in Elma with the Rev. Paula Hemann officiating.

Interment was held in Howard Cemetery, Elma.

Friends greeted the family from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 28, 2025, prior to the service at the funeral home.

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Sure sign of spring, correct?

Spring must be springing if we have road construction underway, correct? Work began last month on the repaving project for a 0.7-mile stretch of Kenwood Avenue that runs from Highway 18 south to 210th St. During recent Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors meetings, County Engineer Roman Lensing has said that if the weather cooperates, Croell Inc., the contractor for the projects expects to have work completed by sometime in May.

Property Transfers

Matthew Schildroth and Lisa Schildroth to UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST, Lisa Schildroth TR, Lisa Schildroth REV TRUNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST, Matthew Schildroth TR and Matthew Schildroth REV TR; W319' N1563' NW 10-94-11.

Matt Rust and Emily Rust to Kylr M. Hennick; COMM 26R S NE COR 05-94-13.

Connie M. Lenehan to Daniel Miller and Megan Miller; NASHUA NASHUA LAKE RESORT ADDITION Lot: 18 Block:

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20 Block: 6 NASHUA NASHUA LAKE RESORT ADDITION Lot: 21 Block: 6 NASHUA NASHUA LAKE RESORT ADDITION Lot: 22 Block: 6.

Croell Properties INC. to Jeramy Croell and Tasha Croell; PARCEL 2024-48 SE SW 12-95-13.

W24Z LLC to Jamie Funte and Rhiannon Funte; NASHUA CEDAR HILL FIRST ADDITION Lot: 13 Block: 4.

Toni M. Franzen and Toni M. Kroenecke to Shain W. Kroenecke; EICHENBERGERS SECOND ADD LB FREDERICKSBURG FCDC FIRST ADDITION Lot: 1 E50' N102' S204' FREDERICKSBURG FCDC FIRST ADDITION Lot: 4.

Samuel J. Rambo and Carolina A. Rambo to David J. Dismore Jr.; NASHUA CENTRAL ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: F.

James L. Herrmann, Sheryl L. Herrmann and Sharon Herrmann to UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST James L. Herrmann TR James L. Herrmann REV TR AGMT

UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST Sharon L. Herrmann TR Sharon L. Herrmann REV TR AGMT; HICKORY ACRES L1 SE SE 08-95-13.

Christopher Chandler to Cael Brunner; NASHUA COLERS SECOND ADDITION Lot: 2 Block: 3 NASHUA COLERS SECOND ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 3.

Logan A. Papousek and Nikita M. Papousek to David R. Hovey and Linda R. Hovey; NEW HAMPTON SHEAKLEYS ADDITION Lot: 3 Block: 4.

Darrell L. Crooks to Darrell Crooks REV TR; S1/2 EX 29-95-13 S1/2 NW 29-95-13 EX PARCEL A SW NE 29-95-13 S1/2 SE NE 29-95-13 E1/2 NEW HAMPTON PARK ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 5 NEW HAMPTON PARK ADDITION Lot: 6 Block: 6.

Women Marketing Cattle course in Decorah starts April 8

To the Tribune

The Farm Management Team at Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is offering three Women Marketing Cattle courses this spring.

One of those will be held in Decorah on April 8.

Women Marketing Cattle begins at 5 p.m. with a light meal at the Winneshiek County Extension office.

The course starts at 5:30 p.m. and concludes by 8:30 p.m., and will be held each Tuesday night for three weeks. The lead instructor is Joseph Lensing. The registration fee is \$25.00.

This women-centered program offers an opportunity to meet area cattle producers and learn with others in a comfortable setting. A team of instructors will provide different perspectives.

This course is about capturing more value from beef production by understanding the true costs of production and developing an overall marketing strategy.

Instructors will compare and contrast different market

channels and pricing strategies. Sales at weaning, backgrounding, and finishing will be discussed. A refresher on carcass value and its relationship to price will be included.

Producers will learn how they can utilize futures prices to help them manage price risk and develop a marketing plan. They will learn more about livestock risk insurance plans, diversification, and other risk management tools.

Producers will gain new insights and access tools to help them analyze and understand profitability.

The course includes an interactive market simulation activity. Class members will work together in small groups to

practice news skills and try out a marketing strategy.

"We will take producers through a marketing year simulation where they will make key decisions and discover how those impact their profitability," stated Joseph Lensing, Farm Management Specialist.

Registration for the courses includes meals and course materials. Registration scholarships are available by writing to Madeline Schultz at schultz@iastate.edu.

More information about this and other programs for women can be found at the ISU Extension and Outreach Farm Management Team Women in Ag Program at www.extension.iastate.edu/womeninag.



To help a neighbor

"PS" is Project Share - a program that assists needy households in paying their winter energy bills. You can help this effort by adding a regular Project Share contribution to your utility payment, or by making a direct donation to Project Share. These funds are distributed to your neighbors in need.

A local social service agency carefully identifies those residents who qualify, and a local committee oversees Project Share to guarantee that all contributions are handled equitably and efficiently.

Adding a "PS" - a Project Share contribution to your utility payment each month is a simple way to share some warmth with those who need it.

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Yes, I'd like to help a neighbor with a tax-deductible contribution to Project Share.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

I will contribute \$ _____ per month to Project Share.

I understand this amount will be billed to me monthly.

I have enclosed a \$ _____ donation to Project Share.

New Hampton Calendar of Events

April 2025

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THURSDAY, APRIL 3

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Valorant vs. Center Point-Urbana
- 4:00pm Trap Shooting Sportsman's Club Boyd Meet vs. Echo Valley and Butler County
- 5:00pm Soccer: Boys Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Charles City @ New Hampton High School
- 5:00pm Track & Field: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Multiple Schools @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School
- 5:00pm Track & Field: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Waverly-Shell Rock @ Waverly-Shell Rock High School
- 6:45pm Soccer: Girls Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Charles City @ New Hampton High School

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

- 7:15am Choir
- 5:00pm Soccer: Girls Varsity Varsity/JV vs. Clear Lake @ New Hampton High
- 5:00pm Trap Shooting New Hampton Country Club Banquet
- 1pm Mahjong! at New Hampton Public Library

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

- 8:00am Music High School Gym State Solo/Ensemble Festival
- 8:00am Trap Shooting Nashua Fish & Game Club Nashua Invite (Seniors)
- 9 am Ladies Day Event In New Hampton
- 9 am-10 am Chickasaw Co. Clover Kids, New Hampton/Chickasaw Co Extension

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

- 11am to 1pm Immaculate Conception Church Swiss Steak Dinner, North Washington

MONDAY, APRIL 7

- 7:15am Choir
- 4:00pm Trap Shooting Sportsman's Club Boyd Meet vs. Waverly and Turkey Valley (Seniors)
- 4:30pm Track & Field: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Decorah @ Decorah High School
- 6-7pm YQCA New Hampton/Chickasaw Co. Extension

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Mario Kart vs. South Winneshiek
- 4:00pm Boys Varsity Meet vs. Charles City @ New Hampton Golf & Country Club
- 4:00pm Trap Shooting Sportsman's Club Boyd Meet vs. Nashua/Charles City
- 5:00pm Soccer: Boys Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Garner-Hayfield-Ventura @ New Hampton High School
- 5:00pm Soccer: Boys Varsity Var. Girls/Boys vs. Garner-Hayfield-Ventura @ New Hampton High School

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

- 7:15am Choir
- 5:30pm- 6:30pm Lettermen's Middle/High School Cafeteria Lettermen Pizza/Social
- 7:30pm National Honor Society
- 10 am Family Storytime at New Hampton Public Library

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Valorant vs. Belmont-Klemme

• 4:30pm Track & Field: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Decorah @ Luther College

- 5:00pm Soccer: Boys Varsity Var. Boys vs. Aplington-Parkersburg @ New Hampton High School

- 5:30-6:30 pm Extension Co. Meeting, New Hampton/Chickasaw Co. Extension

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

- 7:15am Choir
- 5:00pm Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club Meeting Middle/ High School Cafeteria
- 5:30pm FFA Chapter Meeting
- 7:30pm National Honor Society

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

- 2 Hour Early Out

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Valorant vs. Lone Tree

- 4:00pm Golf: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Nashua/ Charles City

- 5:00pm Trap Shooting Nashua Fish & Game Club Meet vs. Nashua/ Charles City (intermediates)

- 7:00pm Drama Auditorium HS Spring Play

- 7:00pm Trap Shooting Nashua Fish & Game Club Friday Night Lights vs. Nashua/ Charles City (Seniors)

- 1pm Mahjong! at New Hampton Public Library

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

- 8:00am Trap Shooting Turkey Valley Turkey Valley Invite

- 9:00am Soccer: Boys Varsity Tournament vs. Postville @ Postville High School

- 10:30am Track & Field: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Iowa City West @ Iowa City West High School

- 10:30am Track & Field: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Iowa City West @ Iowa City West High School

- 1:00pm Trap Shooting Sportsman's Club Boyd Skeet

- 7:00pm Drama Auditorium HS Spring Play

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

- 11am-1 pm Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Mission Chicken Meal, New Hampton

MONDAY, APRIL 14

- 7:15am Choir

- 3:30pm Golf: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Multiple Schools @ Highland Park Golf Course, Mason City

- 4:00pm Golf: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Decorah @ New Hampton High School

- New Hampton Country Club

- 4:00pm Trap Shooting Nashua Fish & Game Club Meet vs. Nashua/ Charles City (Intermediates)

- 5:00pm Track & Field: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Decorah @ Decorah High School

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

- FFA 2025 State Leadership Conference

- 4:00pm Esports Varsity Mario Kart vs. Garner-Hayfield-Ventura

- 4:00pm Golf: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Denison Community Schools @ New Hampton High School

- New Hampton Country Club

- 4:00pm Golf: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Multiple Schools @ Veterans Memorial Golf Club, Clear Lake

- 4:00pm Trap Shooting Nashua Fish & Game Club Meet vs. Nashua/ Charles City (Seniors)

MONDAY, APRIL 21

- No School Spring Break

- 7:15am Choir

- 5:00pm Soccer: Girls Varsity Game vs. Clayton Ridge @ Clayton Ridge High School

- 6:45pm Soccer: Boys Varsity JV vs. Clayton Ridge @ Clayton Ridge High School

- 7:30pm National Honor Society

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

- 8:00am Trap Shooting New Hampton Country Club New Hampton Invite

- *Senior Parent Night

- 10:00am Golf: Boys Varsity Tournament vs. Multiple Schools @ New Hampton High School

- New Hampton Country Club

- 1:00pm Trap Shooting New Hampton Country Club Skeets

MONDAY, APRIL 21

- No School Spring Break

- 7:15am Choir

- 5:00pm Trap & Field: Girls Varsity Meet vs. Multiple Schools @ Waukon High School

- 6:30pm Soccer: Boys Varsity Meet vs. Waukon High School

- 7:30pm National Honor Society

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
The Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw Solid Waste Management Agency invites all interested parties to attend a public meeting on Thursday, April 10, 2025 @ 5:00 p.m. at the FMC Landfill office, 3354 330th Street, Elma, Iowa 50628. The purpose of the meeting is to review the current solid waste programs and to discuss future solid waste activities. The meeting is a requirement of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to update the Floyd Mitchell Chickasaw Solid Waste Management Agency Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan. The public is invited to participate in the discussion.

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Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors discuss possibly reducing the tax levy rates during a meeting on Monday.

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Chickasaw County Claims Listing	171.92	KATHRYN KUEHN, VA MEETING - 1.12.25.....25.00	SVC. EMS5,053.69
20/20 FX LLC, SERVICE BLOCK HOURS- ASSESSOR660.00	ERIC M BARKER, SECURITY EQUIP- MENT- SHERIFF13,325.00	PRICHARD LAW OFFICE, PC, AT- TORNEY FEES: GCPRO02852..... 370.00	
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C., HR SRVS /CHICK.CO WIND FARM URG.....	ESSILOR LABORATORIES OF AMERICA INC., SAFETY GLASSES P GLEASON SEC RD .. 92.96	RANDY NOSBISCH, VA COMM MEETING- 1.12.2525.00	
AIRGAS, INC., MEDICAL SUPPLIES- EMS199.98	FAIRHURST, MARK, TOOLS SEC RD650.97	RAPID PRINTERS /OFFICE WORLD, OFFICE SUPPLIES- SEC RD/GS/ AUD/ASSR/EMS2,546.29	
ALLIED GLASS LLC, GLASS FOR NORTH INSIDE DOOR- CRTH	FAREWELL STORES INC, SODA FOR VENDING MACHINE.....30.36	RAY ARMEI, MEAL/MILEAGE RE- IMBURSEMENT - ISAC MEET- ING236.05	
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, PO- LICE SUPPLIES- SHERIFF- 957.45	FASTENAL COMPANY, HARD- WARE SEC RD.....567.14	KWIK TRIP INC, FUEL - EMA/ENV HLTH351.91	
ANDREA KIME, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH14.70	FIVE STAR COOPERATIVE, GRIT- COURTHOUSE43.96	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES INC, INTERPRETER - STATE GRANT- PH16.80	
ANN KNUTSON, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH21.70	FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF, BOARD- ING INMATES: FEB 2025	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC., ELEC- TRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES SEC RD2,613.36	
AT&T MOBILITY, TELEPHONE/ FAX/INTERNET - EMS44.96	FOX REHABILITATION SERVICES PC, PT/OT THERAPY-PUB HLTH5,005.00	LEAF CAPITAL FUNDING LLC, COPIER LEASE - CANARICOH - SEC RD312.13	
AUTO VALUE OF NEW HAMPTON , REPAIR & MAINT. PARTS - SEC RD2,678.50	FREDERICKSBURG, CITY OF LAND FILL CONTRACT- FEB LEACH- ATE192.50	LEXIPOL LLC, LAW ENFORCE- MENT POLICY MANUAL- SHER- IFF12,959.44	
AXON ENTERPRISE INC, PS TRAIN- ING EQUIPMENT - SHERIFF	HEALTHCARE FIRST, CLIENT SUR- VEYS-PUB HLTH116.57	LISA WELTER, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH113.40	
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, PO- LICE SUPPLIES- SHERIFF- 957.45	HEALTHCARE STRATEGIES INC, CONNECTOFFICE SUB FEE- PH1,680.00	MAILING SERVICES INC, PRO- POSED PROPERTY TAX MAIL- ING - BOS2,095.84	
BENJAMIN SCHMITT, MILEAGE RE- IMBURSEMENT - SEC RD 141.40	HOMETOWN PEST CONTROL, PEST CONTROL - HERT/C-HOUSE/ JAIL/CSB.....273.24	MATT HEW Y S B R A N D, MEALS-LODGING-MEETING- SPRING ISAC CONF.REIMB..... 641.42	
BENNETT PHARMACY INC, PRE- SCRIPTION FOR INMATE- SHER- IFF17.98	HUB INTERNATIONAL GREAT PLAINS, LLC, AUDITING SER- VICES- GEN SVC3,700.00	MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL, SUPP FROM IM CLINIC - IM GRANT P.H.....622.86	
BLACK HILLS ENERGY, NAT.GAS - LEMC/CSB/CH/JAIL/RECY BLDG/SEC RDS7,375.62	INDIA WATSON, MEI SERVICE & MILEAGE236.20	MEGAN LESTER, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH498.40	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC, MED- ICAL SUPPLIES- EMS1,057.04	INOVALON PROVIDER INC, BILL- ING SOFTWARE MONTHLY FEE- PH594.97	MERCY ONE MEDICAL CEN- TER-NEW HAMPTON, MEDICAL SUPPLIES - EMS83.49	
BUTLER CO REC, ELECTRICITY & LP GAS-CONSERVATION HQ	IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NET- WORK, PHONE/INTERNET 911226.00	MICK GAGE PLUMBING & HEAT- ING, INC, PLUMBING EQUIP, RPRS-MAINT- CH401.89	
BUTLER COUNTY RURAL ELEC- TRIC COOPERATIVE, ELEC- TRICITY - OLD LANDFILL 64.36	IOWA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOC, 2025-26 ATTY MEMBER- SHIP DUES431.00	MIDAMERICAN ENERGY CO, IN- TERSECTION LIGHTING SEC RD7.36	
BUTLER-BREMER MUTUAL TELE- PHONE CO. PHONE SVC-PUB HLTH.....125.21	IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY IOWA LTAP, SIDEWALK CURB RAMP TRAINING R LENSING SEC RD..25.00	MIENERY COOPERATIVE, ELEC- TRICITY 911245.25	
CENTURY LINK, TELEPHONE/IN- TERNET - 91133.95	JANE COLLINS, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH307.30	MISTIE DEERE, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH399.00	
CHEMSEARCH/NCH CORPORA- TION, CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES - COUNTY DEPTS.....499.40	JERRY REICHERTS, WATER DAM- AGE REPAIRS- HERITAGE	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AND CITY HEALTH OFFICIALS, MEMBERSHIP RE- NEWAL - PH280.00	
CHICKASAW COUNTY SHER- IFF'S OFFICE, CIVIL NUM- BER 25-000019 CASE NUMBER SCSC008220216.64	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, ELEC- TRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES SEC RD8.00	NEW HAMPTON MUNICIPAL UTIL- ITIES, TELEPHONE/INTERNET- SHERIFF547.95	
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT, COURT COSTS- GUARDIAN- SHIP30.00	JOSH MARTIN LUMBER LLC, BRIDGE MAINT SUPPLIES SEC RD438.24	NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE, ADVER- TISING PH165.00	
CULLIGAN WATER CONDITION- ING, RENTAL-COOLER-BOT- TLED WATER-ASSESSOR, 49.01	JUDY PAULUS GEBEL, FEB25 MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH203.70	NORTH IOWA BROADCASTING INC, RADIO INTV./ STATE GRANT - PH25.00	
DAVID KRIVACHEK, JANITORIAL SUPPLIES SEC RD529.08	JULIA SHEKLETON, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH/CLIENT CALLS340.90	NORTHEAST IOWA COMMU- NITY ACTION CORP, ADMIN MONTHLY FEE- GEN. RELIEF617.46	
DEAN SPEICHER, VA COMM MEET- ING 1.12.2525.00	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, ELEC- TRICAL PARTS & SUPPLIES SEC RD8.00	PHYSICIAN'S CLAIMS COMPANY, JAN- AMBULANCE BILLING	
DUNGEY'S FURNITURE & GIFTS INC, FLOOR TILE PROJ- HERI- TAGE - WATER DAMAGE REP	JUDY PAULUS GEBEL, FEB25 MLG REIMB-PUB HLTH203.70	TOTALS133,957.79	
EASTERN IOWA TIRE INC, STOCK TIRES SEC RD6,437.00	JULIA SHEKLETON, FEB25 MLG RE- IMB-PUB HLTH/CLIENT CALLS340.90		
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Turkey Valley Area Calendar of Events**April
2025**

Friday, April 4
4:30 PM Track: Boys JV/Varsity
J.V/V Girls/Boys vs Multiple
Schools vs. North Fayette
Valley (Away)

4:30 PM Track: Girls JV/Varsity
Var. Girls vs North Fayette
Valley (Away)

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON**Week of March 30**

1950 (75 years ago)
• Jennings Keefe of Lawler is the second best basketball prognosticator in Eastern Iowa. From the nearly 17,000 entries received by Tait Cummins, Sports Director of Radio Station WMT, Cedar Rapids.

Keefe's guess as to the outcome of the boys state tournament was second best of all, he was just one point away from first place. The closest guess was 67-34 and Keefe's entry was 67-35 in favor of Davenport.

The first place winner has his choice of the prizes and Keefe is second in line for a prize.

• Theodore Lynch

better known as Alton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lynch is one of the 108 Iowa State College NROTC cadets who will take the 1950 summer cruise in the Pacific and Atlantic and attend marine training camps on the west coast.

Training cruises are made under actual navel cruise conditions, with the students serving with the regular crew on the ships. It is planned to give them the practical side of life in the Navy.

1975 (50 years ago)

• Snow, snow and more snow, sums up the March weather in the area, with 20.5 inches of the white stuff recorded during the month, according to the Volunteer Weather Observer.

The month's report shows the biggest snowfall of eight inches was recorded on March 7, and there were 12 days during the month when precipitation was recorded.

The high temperature reading for the month was 44 degrees on March 31 and the low was -7 on March 13.

• Ed Kennedy of New Hampton, a 6-0 junior guard for the Luther College of Decorah Norsemen, has been voted "Defensive Player of the Year" by his teammates.

This past season was Kennedy's third as a varsity performer and he served as co-captain. He averaged 10.5 points per game and led the Norse in assists with 71.

The former New Hampton High cage star was an all-conference honorable mention selection for Luther in the Iowa Conference this year.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kennedy of New Hampton, Ed was a three-sport

standout for New Hampton High, competing in football, basketball and golf.

2000 (25 years ago)

• Long time Blue Earth, Minnesota, Athletic Director Dick Maher has been selected for induction into the Minnesota State High School League Hall of Fame.

Dick was a 1954 graduate of New Hampton High School.

After a stint in the Air Force, he received his BA from Iowa State Teacher's College (UNI) in 1961 and received his MA from UNI in 1970. He began his teaching and coaching career at Harmony, Minnesota in 1961 and in 1964 Dick accepted a position at Blue Earth, Minnesota.

Dick retired from his academic duties in 1996.

He was one of six new inductees into the High School League Hall of Fame at a ceremony held at the Radisson Hotel, Metrodome.

Dick is the twin brother of New Hampton resident Ron Maher and also a brother of Sara Dowd of Jerico.

• The early warm weather reminds us it's time to get started with Peoples Natural Gas tree planting projects.

New Hampton volunteers have spent many hours this winter choosing sites, selecting species and enlisting volunteer and local funding.

New Hampton is one of 40 communities across Iowa participating in the Peoples Natural Gas and Trees Forever tree planting partnership.

2015 (10 years ago)

• This year will mark the 47th year the Pony Express Riders of Iowa have been making their ride.

New Hampton residents can watch members of the Chickasaw Trail Riders riding down Main Street Friday at 9:45 before they continue their journey to Ankeny. The money raised is used to benefit Camp Sunnyside in Des Moines.

This year's state goal is to raise \$250,000.

• New Hampton graduate Trisha Smith returns as a letterwinner for this year's Central College softball team. Smith, a junior, pitched 121 innings last year with an ERA of 2.08 and

Legal Notice**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of April 2025 at 6:30 p.m. the New Hampton Community School District will hold a public hearing at the New Hampton High School FCS Room, 710 West Main Street, New Hampton, IA to accept input regarding the 2025-2026 School Calendar.

Anyone interested may appear at the above stated time and place for the public hearing and be heard or may file written comments by email to c.roether@new-hampton.k12.ia.us or by mail to the New Hampton Community School District Superintendent at 710 West Main St. New Hampton, IA 506659. Written comments must be received in the Superintendent's office before 11:00 a.m. on the date set of said hearing. A copy of the plan is available for review at the Board office.

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a record of 13-3 while striking out 110.

Central, ranked 12th in the NFCA preseason coaches' poll, is currently 14-5 and Smith has a 7-1 record with a 2.04 ERA.

2020 (5 years ago)

• New Hampton Schools are now in their third week of being shut down due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Although the teachers are unable to meet with their students physically, they are finding ways to connect with the students.

Last week instructors at New Hampton Community School and St. Joseph's Community School held a teachers parade and students held signs and waved as the parade made its way around town.

The teachers won't see their students until at least April 13.

• MercyOne New Hampton will begin offering drive-up testing for Coronavirus COVID-19.

Officials said a patient

should wait to call for a testing appointment until they have had symptoms of COVID-19

for four days as the test may

not be accurate until day four of the illness.

Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Date of Publication: April 3, 2025

City of Lawler, Iowa

414 East Grove

Lawler, Iowa

563-238-3614

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Lawler.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or after at least one day after the end of the comment period the City of Lawler will submit a request to the State of Iowa, Iowa Economic Development Authority for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under TITTLE 1 of the HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, as amended (P.L. 97-35) to undertake the following project:

Project Title: City of Lawler Well Construction Project

Purpose: The purpose of this project, as identified in the engineer's facility plan, would be to construct a third well for the City of Lawler. The well would be drilled to the Jordan aquifer, which is in the Cambrian-Ordovician aquifer. This is deeper than the current Ordovician aquifer the existing wells draw from and is expected to produce better water quality, an estimated 1280 feet deep and cased to an estimated depth of 830 feet. The location of the new well is near the current Well #2. The existing wellhouse and treatment system for well #2 will be used to treat water from the new well, but without the polyphosphate/orthophosphate mix. The total project budget is \$575,000.

Location: The City of Lawler is located in Chickasaw County, Iowa approximately 50 miles north of Waterloo,

and 60 miles west of Mason City, Iowa. The project is located south of Pitts Street within the existing Highland Addition Park in Lawler, Iowa. The project is located in Section 4, Township 95, Range 11 West.

Estimated Cost: The total project budget is \$575,000 with \$304,750 of funds from HUD CDBG funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Lawler has determined

that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Lawler City Hall located at 414 East Grove, Lawler, IA 52154 where ERR can be examined or copied by appointment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency

may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Lawler. All comments received by April 21, 2025 will be considered by the City of Lawler prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Lawler certifies to Iowa

Economic Development Authority that

Isaiah Corbin in his capacity as Direc-

tor of Development consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. Iowa Economic Development Authority's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and author-

ities and allows the City of Lawler to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Iowa Economic Development Authority will accept objections to its release of funds and the RE's certifica-

tion for a period of fifteen days follow-

ing the anticipated submission date or

its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of

the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Of-

ficer of the City of Lawler; (b) the City

of Lawler has omitted a step or failed to

make a decision or finding required by

HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c)

the grant recipient or other participants in

the development process have committed

funds, incurred costs or undertaken activi-

ties not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58;

before approval of a release of funds by

the Iowa Economic Development Au-

thority; or (d) another Federal agency

acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504

has submitted a written finding that the

project is unsatisfactory from the stand-

point of environmental quality. Objec-

tions must be prepared and submitted in

accordance with the required procedures

(24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall

be addressed to Iowa Economic Devel-

opment Authority at 1963 Bell Avenue

Suite 200, Des Moines, IA 50315. Po-

tential objectors should contact the Iowa

Economic Development Authority to

verify the actual last day of the objection

period.

Name and Title of RE Certifying

Officer

Isaiah Corbin, Director of Develop-

ment, INRCOG

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Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice • Legal Notice**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Proposed NEW HAMPTON School Budget Summary
Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026**

Location of Public Hearing: New Hampton High School FCS Room 710 West Main St. New Hampton, IA 50659 | Date of Hearing: 04/21/2025 | Time of Hearing: 06:30 PM

The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 25/26 school budget at the above noted location and time. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of the revenues and expenditures on file with the district secretary. A copy of the details will be furnished upon request.

	Budget 2026	Re-est. 2025	Actual 2024	Avg % 24-26
Taxes Levied on Property	1 6,848,944	6,232,623	5,840,821	% 8.3
Utility Replacement Excise Tax	2 255,798	269,822	244,242	% 2.3
Income Surtaxes	3 581,739	566,180	655,367	% -5.8
Tuition/Transportation Received	4 675,113	665,281	655,450	
Earnings on Investments	5 353,362	293,544	327,751	
Nutrition Program Sales	6 328,916	328,916	298,625	
Student Activities and Sales	7 680,610	670,819	655,707	
Other Revenues from Local Sources	8 498,495	395,833	388,257	
Revenue from Intermediary Sources	9 0	0	0	
State Foundation Aid	10 7,579,832	6,856,700	5,982,674	
Instructional Support State Aid	11 21,618	0	0	
Other State Sources	12 1,579,881	1,449,757	1,382,135	
Two Tier Assessment Limitation Replacement	13 129,959	129,959	117,974	
Title 1 Grants	14 162,236	159,873	157,511	
IDEA and Other Federal Sources	15 1,012,8			

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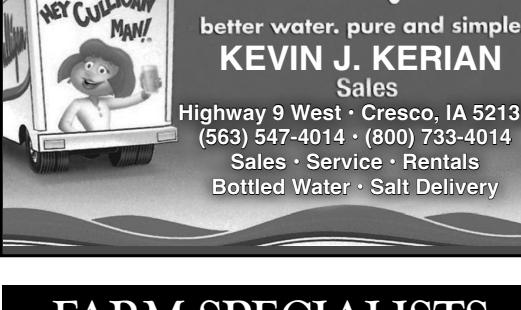
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Softball program has plenty to be excited about these days**SOFTBALL: FROM 1**

addition of picnic tables and pouring concrete to make the ballpark more handicap accessible.

Anderson said the project is honoring former longtime New Hampton softball coach Jack Seelhammer, who passed away in October.

"Jack is really where it started. Everyone knows Jack was a rabid Twins fan," Anderson said, "so he's the first one I thought of when I got the message from the Twins. I'm sure he helped us out a little bit up there."

Work on the project has already started; in fact, Anderson joked that "we're not ready to play a game right now."

That's because the fencing behind home plate has been torn down, but Anderson said

that she expects the diamond to be ready for play on May 28, when New Hampton plays its 2025 season home opener against Clear Lake.

The project received grants from the Chickasaw Athletic Booster Club, Pembina Pipeline, New Hampton Parks and Recreation, the New Hampton Lions club and the Hotel/Motel Tax Committee. And more than \$50,000 has been raised from individual and business donors.

"It's amazing to me how much support we've received," Anderson said. "It does add to the excitement, no doubt about it, and the girls and I are so appreciative of the people who have stepped up to support the project. It's going to be a first-class facility."

And here's even better news for the first-year coach. The Chickasaws have 30 girls, the

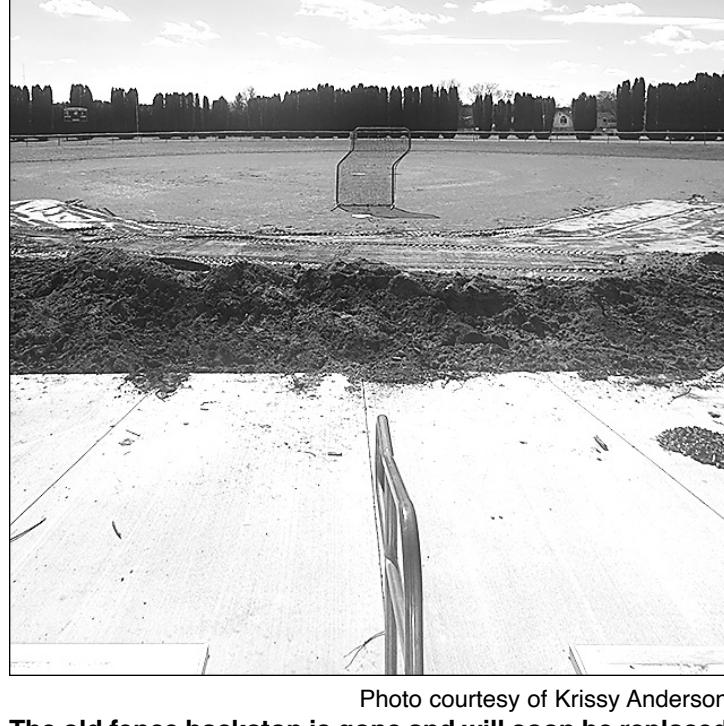


Photo courtesy of Krissy Anderson

The old fence backstop is gone and will soon be replaced by a fan-friendly net at the softball diamond.

most in years, out for the sport this summer.

"There's a lot of excitement

right now with our program," she said, "and we can't wait to get going."

Briefs**County Conservation Board to offer shooting event April 15**

An introduction to pellet gun shooting sponsored by Chickasaw County Conservation will take place at the Twin Ponds Nature Center Tuesday, April 15 at 6 p.m.

A promotion for the event promises to be a great opportunity for people of all ages, "except for the very young," to try some shooting, with safety and technique prior to trying the targets.

There is no cost for the program, but pre-registration is required by calling 641-394-4714.

Upcoming events at Carnegie

The Carnegie Cultural Center in New Hampton will hold a crockpot cooking class from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. today (Thursday), the first of a number of events at the museum this weekend.

Space is limited and may be claimed by calling 641-394-2354.

On Saturday, a course in card making will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the center, and reservations are required by calling the center or emailinfo@carnegieculturalcenter.org.

And on Sunday, "Chalk Painting with Amy Kuehn" will take place.

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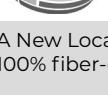
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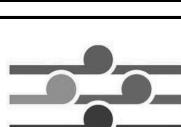
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Baseball diamond to get new scoreboard

BASEBALL: FROM 1

annual convention in January, but that diamond is not standing still.

Instead, a new scoreboard, one with a score-by-innings feature as well as a spot to keep track of pitch counts will be up and running by the time the 2025 home season starts on May 28 when New Hampton hosts Clear Lake.

"We're already adding to this diamond of the year," McDonald said. "We're mak-

ing additional improvements on a field that's been awarded twice. ... We are the only school in the conference that doesn't have that [score-by-innings] feature."

The 25-foot scoreboard is just the latest in a long list of improvements to the diamond. Those upgrades have included the construction of a grandstand with box seats, a new concession stand that includes restrooms, the installation of a "net" backstop and countless hours of work on the field.

McDonald, who also serves as New Hampton's activities director, said that he appreciates the support both his and the softball programs have received.

When asked about the award, he said in his mind it wasn't a baseball one.

"It continues to amaze me how generous and supportive the people in this community are," he said. "In my view, the award is an award for the entire community, and I hope the entire community is proud of it."

Nashua tax rate going up but won't be close to max levy

BY BOB FENSKE
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The city portion of Nashua residents' property tax bill will be going up next year, but here's the good news: The hike isn't going to be anywhere near what a legal notice published earlier this month showed.

"You publish high, but I think the council's goal all along was to find ways to make sure that wasn't the final rate," Nashua City Clerk John Ott said last Thursday, a few days after the council held one of its shortest meetings. "You can always go down from the [max levy] but once that's published, you can't go up."

So in the March 7 Nashua Reporter, the city published its max-levy public hearing notice that included a 9.2 percent increase in its tax-levy rate and an 11.3 percent hike in its tax-asking.

But by this past Monday, when the council held that public hearing, the numbers were a little more — make that, a lot more — palatable.

Ott said the council is now considering a tax-levy rate increase from \$16,33998 per \$1,000 valuation for this year to \$16,52887 per \$1,000 valuation for the 2025-26 fiscal year. Under the current proposed levy rate, that means the city will take in \$823,600 in property taxes during the fiscal year that begins July 1, up 3.1 percent from almost \$799,000 the city will receive during this fiscal year.

Almost all of that increase will go to the city's debt service fund to help pay for recent repairs made to the dam.

In its max-levy notice,

the council blamed the large increase on not only the dam but also the fact that the city needed to levy more for FICA, IPERS and other employee benefits. On Thursday, though, Ott said the city will use reserves to cover the benefit costs in 2025-26.

The reasons the percentage of the city's levy rate doesn't match the percentage of its tax-asking increase are varied, but most notably, the city's total valuations ticked up a bit and changes were made by the state to the rollback.

"It is complicated," Ott said. "It can be hard to explain because there are so many things that change from year to year. I know what we have here, though, is a lot better for taxpayers than what [was published]."

Adding to the confusion is the new form that the state requires taxing entities to publish and mail to property owners. A year ago, the state had those entities included the tax bill on \$100,000 residential properties and \$300,000 commercial properties that did not have a valuation increase.

However, now the state requires those tax-asking entities to use those properties valued at \$100,000 (residential) and \$300,000 (commercial) during the current year but gives both types of properties a 10 percent increase in the

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City of Ionia COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The City Council of Ionia met in special session Monday, March 24, 2025, at 6:45 pm in City Hall.

Mayor Taylor presided with Council Members Crooks, Day, Holthaus, Rausch present. Also present was Clerk Donna Geerts.

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

Motion by Crooks, seconded by Geerts to open the public hearing at 6:45 pm on the Proposed Property Tax Levy for Fiscal Year July 1, 2025—June 30, 2026. All voted aye. Motion carried. Mayor asked if there were any oral or written objections or comments. After discussion and being there were no objections, motion by Day and seconded by Holthaus to close public hearing at 6:48 pm. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Holthaus, seconded by Rausch to adjourn meeting at 6:48 pm. Randy Taylor, Mayor Attest: Donna Geerts, City Clerk

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City of Alta Vista Council Meeting Monday March 24, 2025

The special meeting for the City Council of Alta Vista convened on Monday, March 24, 2025, at 5:15 pm with the following Council members present: Kayla Pride, Adam Roethler, Samantha Slick, Richard Heying, and Amy Laures in the Alta Vista City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burt Ostert.

Agenda was discussed. Slick made the motion, seconded by Heying to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Roethler made the motion, seconded by Pride to accept Resolution 2025-3-1 approving the FY26 Proposed Property Tax Levy. Roll call vote: Ayes: Roethler, Slick, Slick, Heying, Pride. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Laures made the motion, seconded by Heying to adjourn at 5:05 pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

Burt Ostert, Mayor Attest: Jarrett Holthaus, City Clerk

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CHICKASAW COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'

MINUTES March 24, 2025

The Board convened on Monday, March 24, 2025, at 9:00 AM with members Breitbach, Carter, Cerwinski, Suckow and Hackman present in the Boardroom on the second floor of the Court House, New Hampton, Iowa. Chairperson Hackman called the meeting to order. Also present were Board Secretary Sheila Shekleton, Attorney David Laudner, Bob Fenske, member of media, Sheriff Ryan Shawer, Eileen Carolan, Mike Murray, Robert Shatck, Terry Johnson, Kathy Shekleton, Paul Brandenburg, Pete Zeien, Dixie Zeien, Dale Galing, Assessor Raymond Armel.

Motion by Cervinske, seconded by Suckow to approve the agenda for March 24, 2025. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Breitbach, seconded by Suckow to open the Public Hearing, Proposed Property Tax Levy FY 25-26 at 9:02 AM. Roll call: Ayes: Breitbach, Suckow, Carter, Cerwinski, Hackman. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hackman started the Public Hearing with an agenda for the Hearing.

Supervisor Hackman read a letter from Dennis Hansen, Leslie Hansen, and their businesses

Speakers: Eileen Carolan, Mike Murray, Robert Shatck, Kathy Shekleton, Dixie Zeien

Motion by Cervinske, seconded by Breitbach to close the Public Hearing, Proposed Property Tax Levy FY 25-26 at 9:16 AM. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to adjourn at 9:17 AM. Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

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

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A new scoreboard is being installed for the varsity baseball diamond at Mikkelsen Park.

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Motion by Suckow, seconded by Breitbach to approve Gardner+Company invoice for \$24,960.00 an advance on audit on financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2024. Roll Call: All Ayes: Motion carried.

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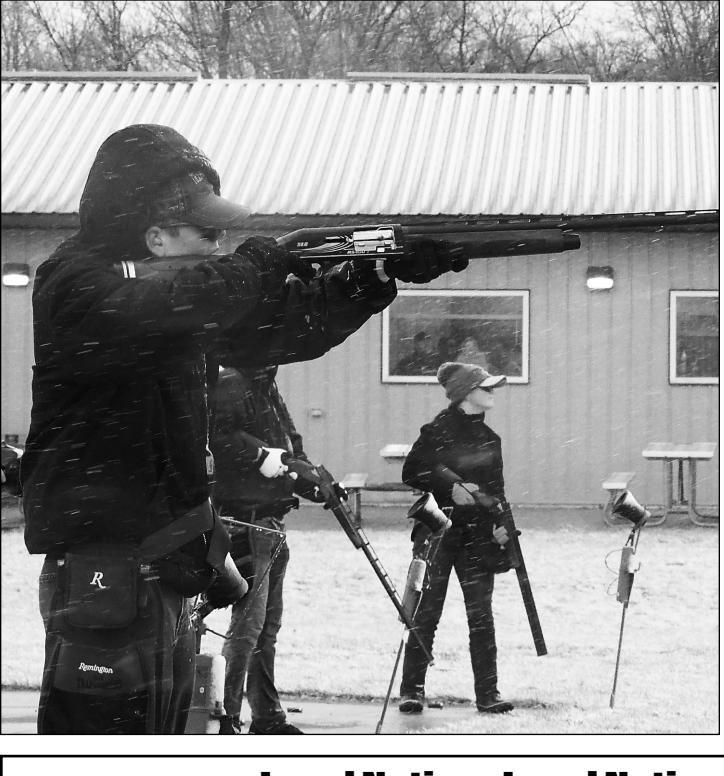
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Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Frigid trap opener

New Hampton intermediate shooter Tristen Babcock (left) fires at a clay target while Tinlie Vsetecka (above) scores the season-opening meet for the Chickasaws at the Sportsman's Club Boyd in Fredericksburg on Tuesday. A wintry mix of snow, rain and sleet forced the cancellation of doubles and handicap competition.

Legal Notice - Legal Notice - Legal Notice - Legal Notice**CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL
CHAMBERS MONDAY
MARCH 17, 2025 7:00 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of New Hampton met in regular session in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton Iowa at 7:00 p.m. Monday, March 17, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Geerts at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Denner, Larsen, Porath, Schwickerath, Speltz. Humpal was absent. Also in attendance were City Attorney Todd Prichard (via telephone) and Casey Mai.

1. Approve meeting agenda
2. Approve City Council Minutes of March 3, 2025.
3. Approve City Claims of \$59,460.46
4. Fire Department Minutes of March 3, 2025
5. Finance Committee Meeting of March 3, 2025
6. Department Head Meeting of March 4, 2025
7. Park & Rec Minutes of 3-5-25
8. Library Minutes of March 4, 2025
9. Request to Close Main Street & Detour Traffic for Heartland Days 6/13/2025 (IDOT and City of NH application) and Heartland Days Parade

10. New Class C Retail Alcohol License: Cinco De Mayo Mexican Kitchen/Bar 2-13-2025

11. Finance Reports FUND,

RECEIVED.....DISBURSED GENERAL

\$74,672.40\$117,451.71

ROAD USE TAX

\$38,821.14\$28,807.73

SPECIAL REV/EMPLOYEE BEN

\$7,104.64\$18,197.66

SELF INSURANCE FUND

\$8,455.39\$4,676.84

LOCAL OPTION TAX

\$40,010.62\$0.00

HOTEL/ MOTEL TAX

\$5,614.18\$258.52

HOTEL/ MOTEL TAX CAP RES

\$1,883.71\$0.00

TIF- INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL

\$1,677.20\$0.00

HOUSING REHAB. GRANT

\$0.00\$4,795.00

DEBT SERVICE

\$292.22\$0.00

LIBRARY SPECIAL PROJECTS

\$1,649.41\$855.42

COMM CENTER RENOVATION

\$0.00\$4,359.73

ROADS CAPITAL PROJECTS

\$6,836.44\$5.00

STORMWATER CAPITAL PROJ

\$3,811.06\$755.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS

\$8,451.93\$3,064.60

WATER UTILITY

\$55,751.09\$29,930.90

SEWER UTILITY	60.66,000.09
\$99,671.13	\$53,075.46	
SOLID WASTE	24,367.65	\$33,404.40
CAPITAL PROJECTS-WATER	\$3,402.98	\$2.50
CAPITAL PROJECTS-SEWER	\$3,359.94	\$2.50
CUSTOMER DEPOSITS	\$377.00	\$501.00
TOTAL	\$386,210.13	\$300,143.97
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MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025	7:00 PM	
CITY - WRITTEN SINCE	MARCH 3, 2025	
Iowa Department of Revenue, Sales Tax	3,837.44	
Five Star Coop, Gas (Water Sewer) Diesel (Fire)	351.14	
Kwik Star, Gas & Diesel (Street P&Z Sewer Water Police)	2,103.28	
Verizon Wireless, Data Charges (Police)	160.04	
Roger & Lindsey Monteith, Refund Double Payment from Income Offset	297.73	
USPS, Postage for Utility Bills (Water Sewer)	196.28	
Fredericksburg Sportsman's, Annual Membership (Police)	175.00	
TOTAL WRITTEN	7,120.91	
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Auto Value, Radiator for Dump Truck (Street)	588.25	
Black Hills Energy, Natural Gas (PD WA Clerk Cust ST Fire SR)	5,205.54	
Blazek Corporation, Water Main Repairs Milwaukee, Linn, Main, 2 on Washington	7,232.50	
Capital Sanitary Supply, Restroom Cleaner (Custodial)	46.80	
Crell Inc, Milwaukee, Linn, Washington Water Main Breaks	2,203.75	
Culligan, Softener Salt (Custodial)	49.00	
Eurofins, Testing Fees (Sewer)	3,918.09	
Hall, Jace, Reimburse for ILEA Physical (Police)	100.00	
Hawkins, Inc, Chlorine, Cylinders (Water)	2,266.96	
Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities, 2/26 Water Member Dues (Water)	635.00	
Jendro Sanitation, Refuse Pickup (Fire PD Clerk Cust SR)	229.15	
LeisureTime Golf Cars, UPS Shipping (Water)	36.45	
MercyOne NH, DOT Physicals (Fire)	100.00	
Microbac, Testing Fees (Water)	112.50	
US Cellular, Cell Phone Service	64.09	
Visa, Mother/ Son Stake & Sporty Shortie Supplies, Postage	71.95	
NAPA, Hose, Clamp, V-Belt (Street)....	29,930.90	

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Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

City of: ALTA VISTA

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Budget at: Alta Vista City Hall- 110 E Weber St. Alta Vista, IA 50603 Meeting Date:

4/14/2025 Meeting Time: 06:05 PM

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the City Clerk and County Auditor.

City budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals>.

The Budget Estimate Summary of proposed receipts and expenditures is shown below. Copies of the detailed proposed Budget may be obtained or viewed at the offices of the Mayor, City Clerk, and at the Library.

The estimated Total tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on regular property

20.14684

The estimated tax levy rate per \$1000 valuation on Agricultural property is

3.00375

At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget.

Phone Number (641) 364-2975

City Clerk/Finance Officer's NAME Jarrett Holthaus

Revenues & Other Financing Sources

Budget FY 2026 Re-estimated FY 2025 Actual FY 2024

Taxes Levied on Property	1	75,765	0	71,902
Less: Uncollected Property Taxes-Levy Year	2	0	0	0
Net Current Property Taxes	3	75,765	0	71,902
Delinquent Property Taxes	4	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	5	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	6	38,147	0	38,323
Licenses & Permits	7	1,149	0	1,149
Use of Money and Property	8	8,000	0	11,149
Intergovernmental	9	75,768	86,300	115,530
Charges for Fees & Service	10	271,332	0	268,393
Special Assessments	11	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	12	0	0	34,123
Other Financing Sources	13	0	0	0
Transfers In	14	0	43,870	31,270
Total Revenues and Other Sources	15	470,161	130,170	571,839
Expenditures & Other Financing Uses				
Public Safety	16	46,359	3,750	54,378
Public Works	17	61,169	60,175	56,305
Health and Social Services	18	0	0	7,954
Culture and Recreation	19	35,360	0	40,600
Community and Economic Development	20	0	0	0
General Government	21	97,100	3,400	120,391
Debt Service	22	0	0	0
Capital Projects	23	0	0	0
Total Government Activities Expenditures	24	239,988	67,325	279,628
Business Type / Enterprises	25	221,000	37,720	213,955
Total ALL Expenditures	26	460,988	105,045	493,583
Transfers Out	27	0	43,870	31,270
Total ALL Expenditures/Transfers Out	28	460,988	148,915	524,853
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	29	9,173	-18,745	46,986
Beginning Fund Balance July 1	30	253,726	272,471	225,485
Ending Fund Balance June 30	31	262,899	253,726	272,471

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New Hampton begins season versus Charles City next week at home**NH GOLF: FROM 18**

lead New Hampton to a state title in 2019 behind the stellar play of team leaders Allison and Morgan Nuss, Lauren and Kirsten's older siblings.

Other returning starters from New Hampton's fourth place team at state in 2024 are Maycen Hackman (four-year starter) and junior Alivia Geerts (three-year starter). Chickasaw senior Brenna Flattum is now a two-year starter for Olson and is one of three captains on the squad alongside Lauren Nuss and Hackman.

"We're pretty confident in our top five people's abilities right now," said Olson. "Our biggest thing is we can't focus on anybody else but ourselves. We just gotta take care of our business. We've got the talent there to be very, very competitive."

NH freshman Drey O'Brien and junior Camryn Smith will vie for the sixth and final spot on Olson's varsity lineup. Olson said he has 12 girls out for golf. Freshmen newcomers Kaydence Raising and Ariel Hanson, along with sophomores Ava Shoemaker and Ella Wassenaar, as well as junior Kennadee Anderson will all look to improve their games throughout the season.

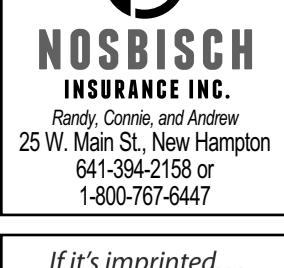
The New Hampton boys finished fourth at sectionals in Waterloo at Gates Park last year and did not have a golfer qualify for the district meet. The Chickasaws lost top seniors Jack Shawver, Kam Josephson and Carter Newbrough to graduation. That doesn't mean the cupboard is bare as senior Adam Ewert (four-year starter) and sophomore Charlie Kriener (two-year starter including this season) are New Hampton's top returning golfers.

Shatek mentioned his team's keys to success this spring — among other important factors that will help New Hampton's bunch mature and mesh together as the season progresses.

"Golf is analogous to life in a

lot of ways. A lot of things that will help you be successful on the golf course will help you be successful in your normal life," said Shatek. "Things like focus, discipline, your attitude — acting with integrity and truthful-

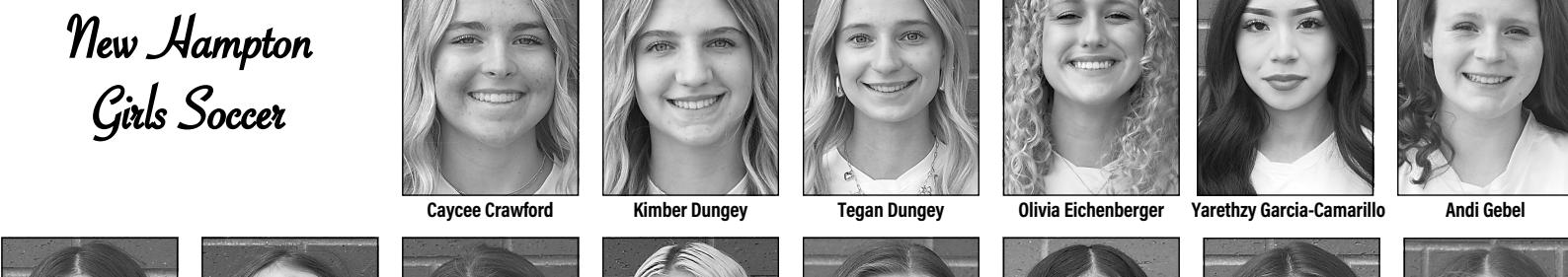
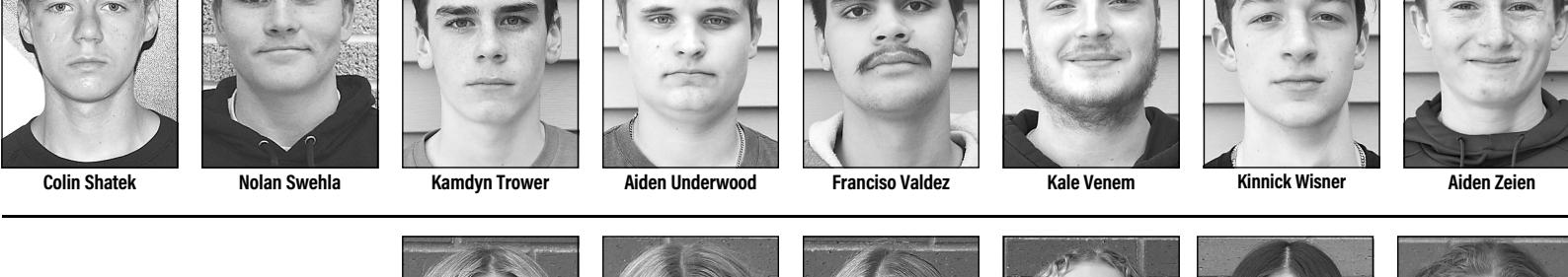
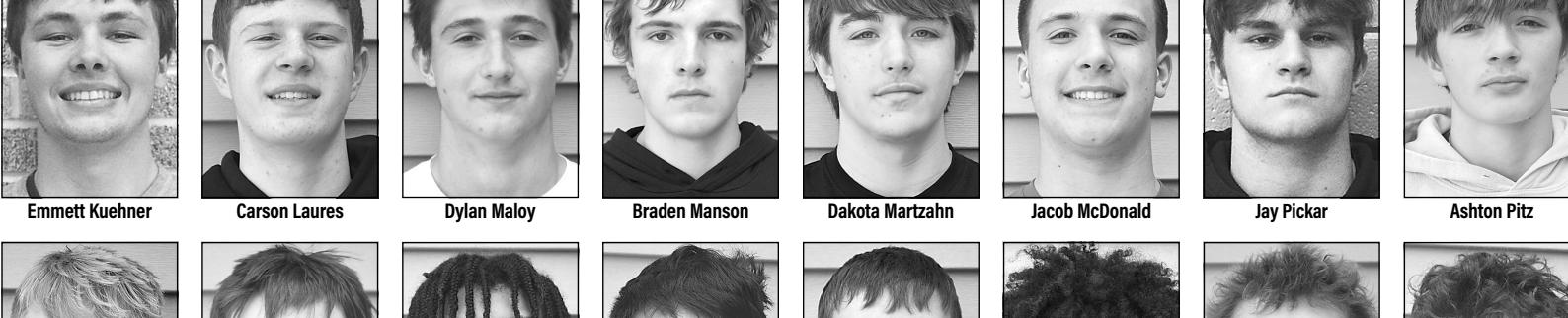
ness." Shatek's roster is comprised of 20 Chickasaws and seven of those were out for the squad last year in addition to Ewert and Kriener. Those remaining golfers with experience back are juniors Riley Scheidel, Chase Gebel, William



Representing the Chickasaws this spring!

Good luck to our New Hampton student-athletes as they compete in golf, soccer, track and trapshooting

New Hampton Girls Track and Field



Here's to our athletes heating up the spring sports season

More Chickasaw teams featured on Page 16

Bring home the trophy!
Good luck athletes!

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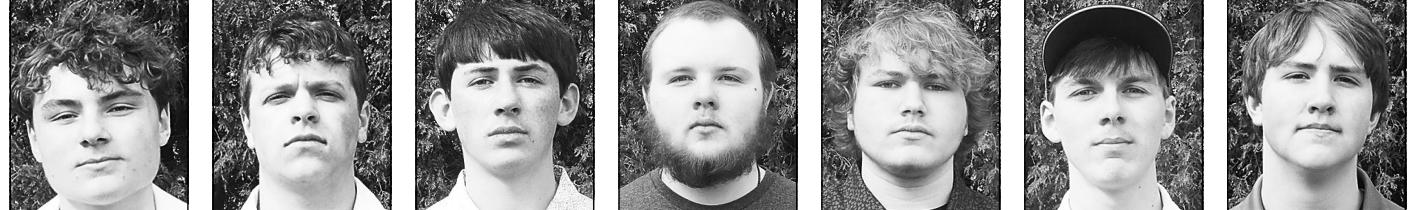
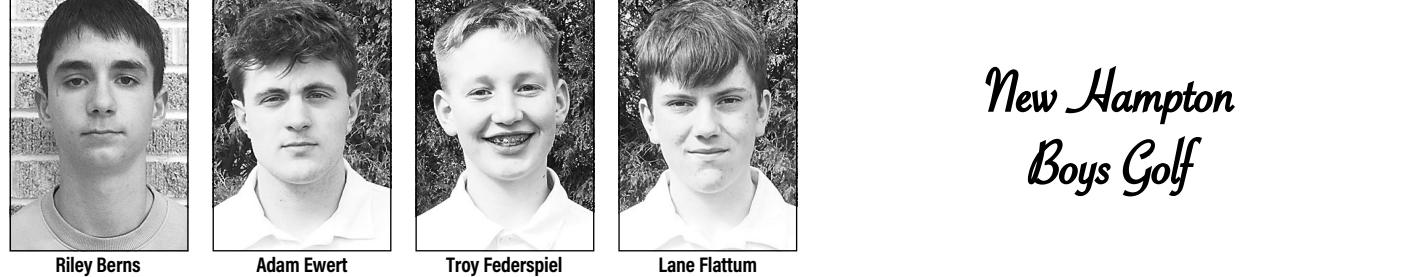
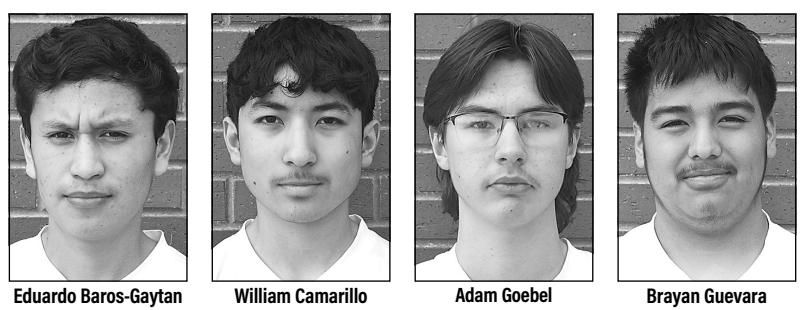
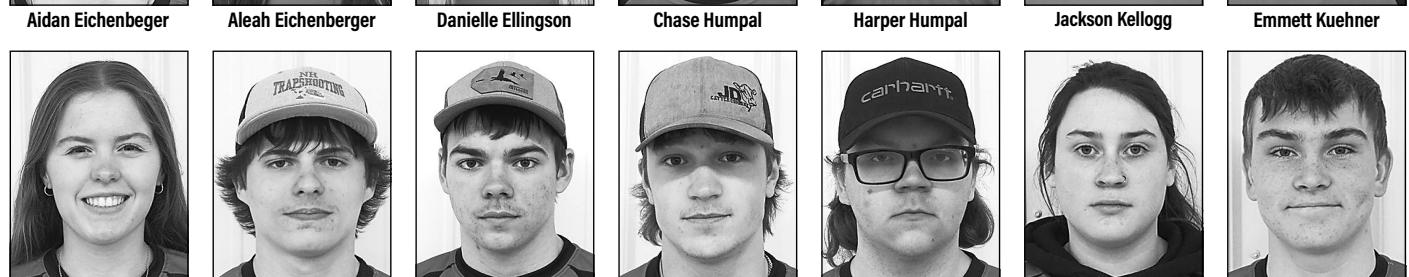
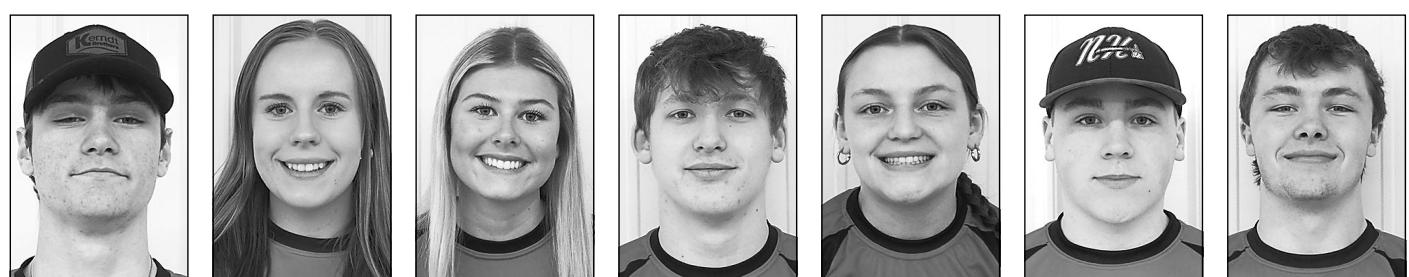
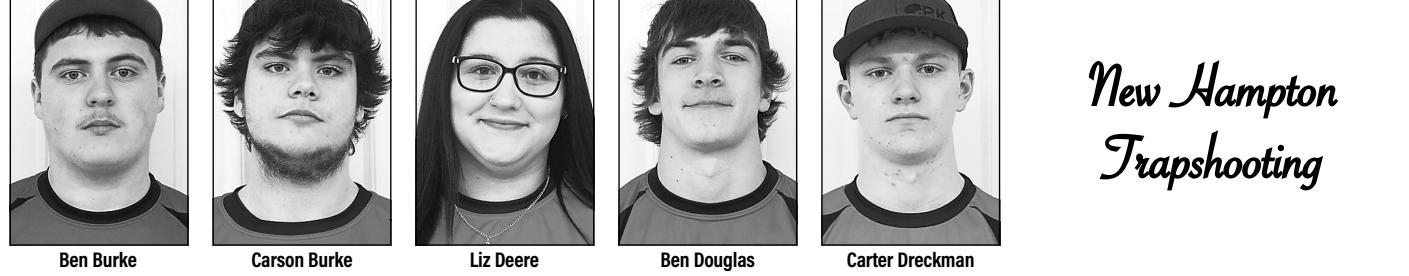

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ready to head outside****NH Boys TRACK: FROM 18**

in seventh grade, I went 4-11 so that's 11 inches in two years. That's OK, right?

New Hampton coach Scott Jenkins laughed when he heard Laures' comment.

"He's just so versatile," he said. "I think Carson could do anything from a 200 to an 800. He's that versatile. He can do the high, the long, the hurdles, too. That gives us a lot of options."

Then again, with a roster of 36 athletes, Jenkins can say the same thing about his team.

"It is nice to have options," he said. "It's nice to be able to pull someone in, it's nice to know that you can have people fill in someplace. Having that option, having that choice, we didn't have that last year. ... We have a lot of work to do, no doubt about it, but I saw a lot of little things that give me a lot of hope this year."

"Definitely, it's going to be a work in progress but I was really happy with what we showed at the indoor."

New Hampton got third-place finishes from freshman Ethan Carter in the 200, sophomore Cade Carpenter in the 400 and freshman Austyn Kleppie in the shot put.

Mostly, though, Jenkins liked the competitiveness his team showed in Decorah during its final indoor meet.

Take that 4x200 team, for example. Jay Pickar to Dylan Schmitt to Edgar Rodriguez to Serie may have finished fourth in a meet that had just five teams, but it marked the first time since 2018 that New Hampton had run that relay under 1:40 at the NEIC Indoor.

The 4x400 team of Laures, Carpenter, Schmitt and Serie, for another example, cut about five seconds off its time from its previous meet two weeks before.

"Really up and down the lineup," Jenkins said, "it was a

really good night, a really good way to end the indoor season. A lot of little things — not even by place or maybe even time and distance — were good to see and at the top of that list was just the way our guys competed."

Jenkins and his athletes, though, are ready to bid farewell to the indoor season and head outdoors. They'll get that chance tonight (Thursday) when they head to Waverly-Shell Rock for a coed meet.

"I'm so ready," Serie said. "It's nice to get some meets in, but outdoors, the curves aren't going to be as tight. I think it does make a really big difference [indoors], especially on the knees. You have to slow down on the curves, and I think we're all ready to get outside and really stretch out."

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

55 hurdles – 4. Carson Laures 8.77, 11. Elliott Eiler 9.98.

3,200 – 5. Colin Shatke 12:10.47.

55 – 3. Beau Serie 6.89, 12. Ethan Carter 7.16, 12. Dylan Maloy 7.16, 16.

Austyn Kleppie 7.21, 21. Jay Pickar 7.34, 25. Francisco Valdez 7.59, 31.

Kale Venem 7.68, 41. LJ Robinson 8.28, 43. Aiden Underwood 9.93.

4x800 – 3. Aiden Zeien, Kamdyn Trower, Trenton Horner, Cargin Robinson 10:19.62.

200 – 2. Serie 24.16, 5. Carter 24.80, 11. Edgar Rodriguez 25.88,

12. Dylan Schmitt 26.00, 14. Eiler 26.30.

1,600 – 6. Riley Berns 5:23.53.

4x200 – 4. Pickar, Schmitt, Rodriguez, Serie 1:39.73; 9. Ashton Pitz, Kinnick Wisner, Kleppie, Venem 1:46.96; 12. Jace Schipper, Roy Barron, Dakota Martzahn, Asher Jirak 1:50.70.

400 – 3. Cade Carpenter 56.52, 5. Kye Rausch 58.06, 7. Will Dieterich 1:02.11, 8. Drew Kipp 1:05.51.

Distance medley – 6. Maloy, Wisner, Horner, Shatke 4:19.14.

800 – 7. Berns 2:37.92.

4x400 – 3. Laures, Carpenter, Schmitt, Serie 3:44.26; 8. Zeien, Trower, Dieterich, Robinson 4:16.07.

High jump – 1. Laures 6-0, 10. Rausch 5-2.

Long jump – 8. Schipper 16-8, 9. Dieterich 16-4.5, 12. Pickar 15-11, 18. Martzahn 14-2.5.

Shot put – 3. Kleppie 44-0.5, 16. Jacob McDonald 35-6.25, 21. Jaxon Kuehn 30-7.75, 22. Brayden Rosonke 27-11.75, 24. Preston Hubka 22-1.75.

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New Hampton trapshooting vs. Echo Valley and Butler Co., 4 p.m.

New Hampton girls and boys track at Waverly-Shell Rock, 4:30 p.m.

New Hampton soccer vs. Charles City, boys at 5 p.m., girls at 6:45 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton girls soccer vs. Clear Lake, 5 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls and boys track at North Fayette Valley, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

New Hampton and Turkey Valley trapshooting at Nashua invite, 8 a.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton trapshooting vs. Waverly and Turkey Valley, 4 p.m.

New Hampton boys track at Decorah, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

New Hampton boys golf vs. Charles City, 4 p.m.

New Hampton trapshooting vs. Nashua/Charles City, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley girls track at Postville, 4:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley boys track at Edgewood-Colesburg, 4:30 p.m.

New Hampton soccer vs. Garner-Hayfield-Ventura, boys at 5 p.m., girls at 6:45 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

Turkey Valley trapshooting at Cresco, 4 p.m.

New Hampton and Turkey Valley girls track at Decorah, Luther College 4:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley boys track at Postville, 4:30 p.m.

New Hampton boys soccer vs. A-Parkersburg, 5 p.m.

New Hampton boys track at Waverly-Shell Rock, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

New Hampton girls golf vs. Charles City, 4 p.m.

New Hampton trapshooting at Nashua, handicap and doubles at 4 p.m., intermediates at 5 p.m., Friday night lights (seniors) at 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

New Hampton trapshooting at Turkey Valley, 8 a.m. - skeet in the afternoon at Fredericksburg Sportsmen's Club, 1 p.m.

New Hampton boys soccer at Postville, 9 a.m.

New Hampton girls and boys track at Iowa City West, 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Turkey Valley trapshooting, Henry Memorial Shoot

MONDAY, APRIL 14

New Hampton girls golf at Highland Park Golf Course, Mason City, 3:30 p.m.

New Hampton boys golf vs. Decorah, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley golf vs. North Fayette Valley at Pleasant Valley Sports Club, Clermont, 4 p.m.

New Hampton boys track at Decorah, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

New Hampton girls golf vs. Denver, 4 p.m.

New Hampton boys golf vs. Clear Lake and Newman Catholic at Veterans Memorial Golf Club, Clear Lake, 4 p.m.

New Hampton trapshooting at Nashua, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley trapshooting vs. Cresco, 4 p.m.

New Hampton girls track at Osage, 4:30 p.m.

Turkey Valley coed track at Nashua-Plainfield, 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

New Hampton girls golf at Decorah (Oneota) 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley trapshooting at New Hampton, (handicap and doubles, 100 targets) 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley golf vs. Postville, 4 p.m.

New Hampton, Turkey Valley track at New Hampton Invitational, 4:30 p.m.

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New Hampton's Bailee Tenge (above) strides over a hurdle while Madison Shawver (below) and Zoey Kellogg race in the 55-meter dash at the NEIC Indoor meet held at Luther College in Decorah last week Tuesday.

Coach likes young Chickasaws' 'growth'

NH GIRLS TRACK: FROM 18

Rings, a sophomore, and Pemble, just a freshman, went 1-2 in the open 400. Rings ran a career-best to snare the blue ribbon in 1:07.27. Not far behind was Pemble in the runner-up spot with another lifetime PR in 1:08.16. Both those times are sure to get better as the season progresses, something Laures is awfully excited about.

"I am so proud of our girls' growth in the last month and their competitiveness. Most of them understand that track is a race and when someone tries to pass you, you have to hold them off. Or if someone is within striking distance, you have to get out of your comfort zone and try to go catch them. This is something we really strive to achieve in our younger athletes...the hunger for competing!" said Laures.

Another underclassmen that has set a tremendous tone so far in 2025 is Cahoy, who raced to a second-place finish in the 200 dash (28.59) and was fifth in the 55-meter dash (7.9).

"Aleisha is a special athlete. She is very strong and focused. I am excited to see where she



season takes her," said Laures.

NH junior Madison Shawver was ninth in the 200 dash (8.17) and senior Kinsley Hackman was 10th in 8.18.

NH's 4x800 relay team of senior Taylor Ries, Rings, senior Natalie Nosbisch and sophomore Sophie Glaser produced a second-place result in 10:41.

The Chickasaws' 4x400 relay was also second in 4:24 with the foursome of Ries, Hackman, Pemble and sophomore Capri Lester.

"We know we have some big shoes to fill in the 4's and 8's.

Kinslee, Jersey Pemble, and Adriana Kinley have done a super job of stepping into those roles and show great potential," said Laures.

Kinley, another freshman, jumped 4-2 in the high jump, good for sixth place.

New Hampton freshman Bailee Tenge was 14th in the 55-meter hurdles in 10.41, followed by Chickasaw sophomores Kadence Rings (15th, 10.53) and Sydney Laures (18th, 10.72). Tenge leaped to a 13th-place showing in the long jump (13.25).

Chickasaw senior Braelyn Rosonke was 13th in the shot put (29-9). Kinslee Rings threw 28-8.25 in that same event, which saw her finish in the 14th spot.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

55 hurdles - 14. Bailee Tenge 10.41, 15. Kadence Rings 10.53, 18. Sydney Laures 10.72.

55 dash - 5. Aleigha Cahoy 7.9, 9. Madison Shawver 8.17, 10. Kinsley Hackman 8.18, 15. Ava Leichtman 8.42, 17. Zoey Kellogg 8.49, 20. Rings 8.62.

4x800 - 2. Taylor Ries, Kinslee Rings, Natalie Nosbisch, Sophie Glaser 10:41.21.

200 dash - 2. Aleigha Cahoy 28.59, 8. Shawver 29.89, 9. Leichtman 30.33, 13. Kellogg 31.76,

1,500 run - 5. Gretta Kuehner 5:49.35, 8. Juanita Cardona 5:56.54.

4x200 - 3. Cahoy, Capri Lester, Ries, Hackman 1:53.7, 9. Ka. Rings, Brooklyn McShane, Laures, Adrianna Kinley 2:05.03.

400 dash - 1. Ki. Rings 1:07.27,

2. Jersey Pemble 1:08.16, 7. Rylie Vsetecka 1:13.98.

Distance medley - 3. Leichtman, Shawver, Nosbisch, Glaser 4:54.84,

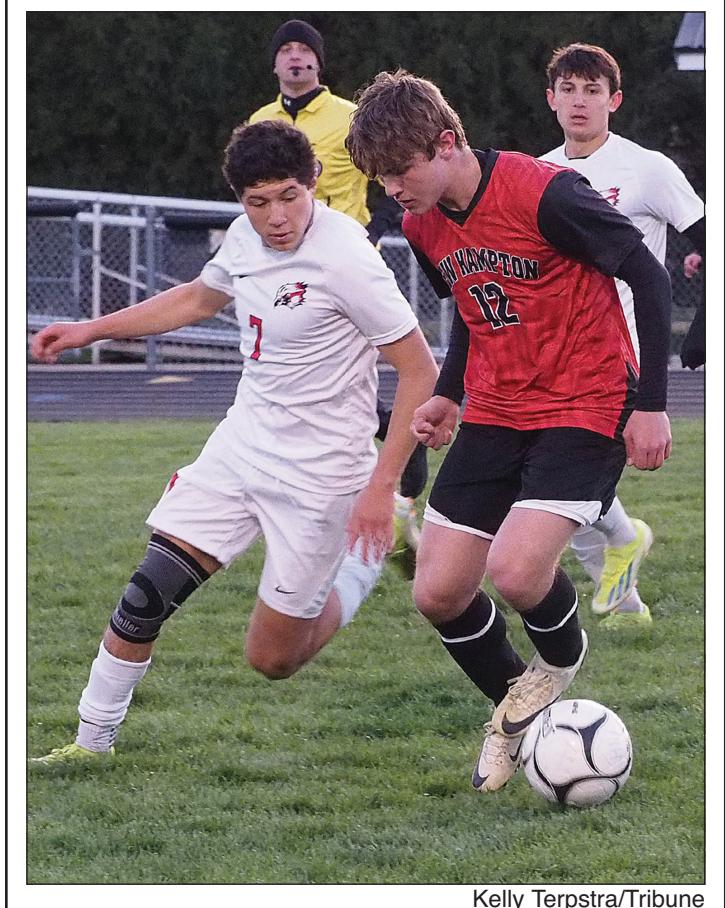
7. Kellogg, Tenge, Kuehner, Cardona 5:08.92.

4x400 - 2. Ries, Hackman, Pemble, Lester 4:24.35.

High jump - 6. Kinley 4-2, Pemble

NH. Long jump - 13. Tenge 13.25.

Shot put - 13. Braelyn Rosonke 29-9, 14. Ki. Rings 28-8.25, 19. Ava Trende 24-8.



Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Kicking off tonight

New Hampton's Jay Pickar (above) dribbles the ball downfield against Mason City last spring and Chloe Weigel (below) puts the ball in play for her Chickasaws. Both the New Hampton soccer teams – girls and boys – are scheduled to play in the season opener at home versus Charles City this evening (Thursday). The New Hampton girls team is back out on the pitch again on Friday at home against Clear Lake.



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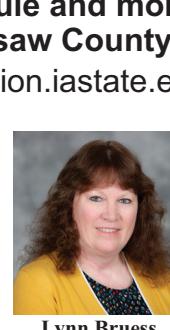
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New Hampton's Carson Laures (above) clears the bar in the high jump while teammate Colin Shatek (below) competes in the 3,200 at the Northeast Iowa Conference Indoor that was held last week at Luther College in Decorah.

Chickasaw boys show potential at NEIC Indoor

Freshman claims high jump title; senior says team has plenty to 'build on' as New Hampton heads outdoors

BY BOB FENSKY
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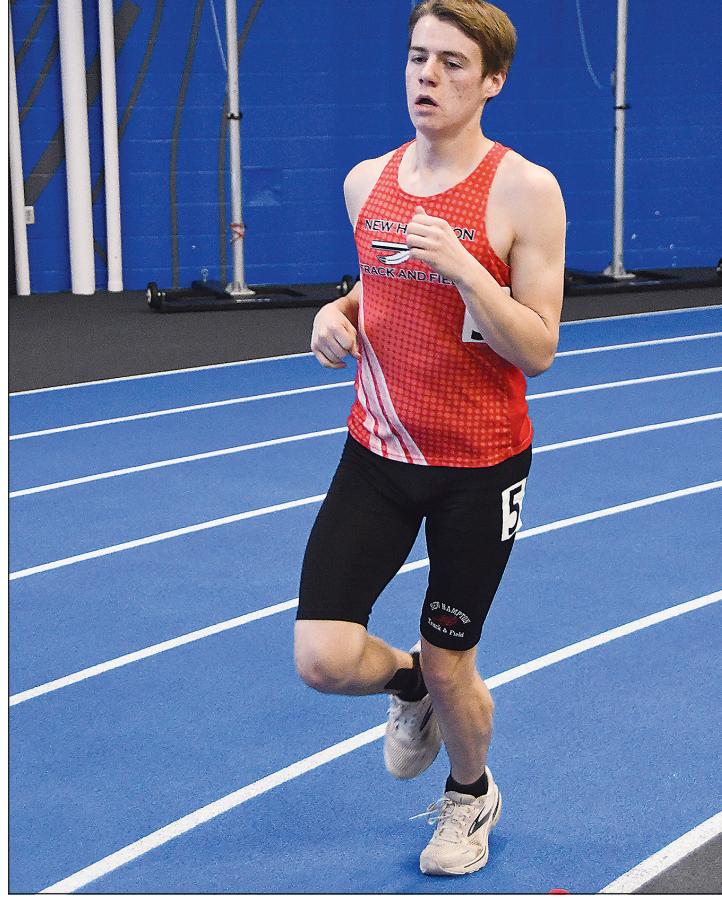
He may not be "gramps," but Beau Serie is definitely feeling old these days.

Serie and Elliott Eiler are the lone two seniors on the New Hampton boys track team, and though Serie will be the first to admit that he wondered what his final high school track season would look like when practice started in February, those doubts are fast dissipating.

"It's been awesome to see all of my teammates get going since we started practice, especially with how young everyone is," Serie said after the NEIC Indoor last week. "Elliott and I are the old guys, but seeing our indoor times, they're like good, they're like something we can build on."

He's not wrong; the NEIC Indoor showed that this group of Chickasaws have some potential.

New Hampton had just one champion — freshman Carson Laures in the high jump — but they ran, jumped and threw pretty well in a meet that may have been lacking in quantity but certainly wasn't in quality.



Serie had a big night, taking third in the 55, finishing runner-up in the 200, anchoring the 4x200 to a fourth-place finish and completing a 4x400 team that took third.

Laures, meanwhile, added a fourth-place finish in the 55-meter hurdles and led off that 4x400 relay team to his high jump championship.

He came up with clutch jumps on his final attempts at 5-10 and 6-0 to claim the title and then just clipped the bar on each of his three attempts at 6-2.

"I wasn't really nervous," the freshman said, "well, maybe a little when I was down to my last jump a couple of times but I didn't want to get out because I knew I had a big chance of winning it. I wasn't really nervous; I was just excited — all the adrenaline helped."

The indoor title came despite the fact that Laures had spent little time working on the event before last week's meet that was held at Luther College in Decorah.

"It was like let's go out there and see what happens," he said. "I didn't miss by much [at 6-2]. It's just the little things I need to really work on, but I'm pretty excited to see what I can do with the high jump. My best in junior high was 5-7 ... and when I was

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New Hampton's Adam Ewert (above) hits an iron shot last spring and fellow Chickasaw senior Lauren Nuss (below) chips on to the green.

Chickasaws get ready to tee it up

New Hampton boys welcome new coach; girls look to reload for another run at title

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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Change often brings with it hope and renewed optimism.

A new hire of any prep athletic program can also make it easier on others — meaning New Hampton's Eric Olson will have a lot less on his plate this spring.

That's a good thing for everyone involved with the New Hampton golf program in 2025 — and beyond.

Brad Shatek — a 2006 New Hampton grad — takes the reins of the Chickasaw boys linksters this year after Olson pulled double-duty last season in coaching both the girls and boys squads.

Sidenote — Olson had plenty of help from NH assistant Paul "Doc" Ewert as well, who is also back with the Chickasaw coaching staff this year in an attempt to guide New Hampton to the top of the leaderboard.

"I couldn't be everything to everybody, so getting Brad on board...he's a tremendous golfer and he's a tremendous student of the game is what is really neat. The boys are going to be fortunate to have him. He can devote his full attention to them. It's not like we had last year. "Doc" and I did the best that we could, but it was spread

a little too thin," said Olson, who will begin his 15th year as head coach of the Chickasaw girls team and 21st overall at New Hampton.

It should be a fun and exciting time for the Northeast Iowa Conference squads — in their last run in the NEIC as the oldest standing league in the state will shutter this summer after baseball and softball seasons are complete.

The Chickasaws girls team will look to make it double-digit league crowns won in a row as they'll seek their 10th conference championship in the coming months and are aiming for an eighth-consecutive trip to state where they have finished no lower than fourth.

Back for Olson's perennial-power Chickasaws are four returning starters — including Class 2A state medalist runner-up from a year ago, senior Lauren Nuss. Her younger sister — Kirsten Nuss — will be one of the state's top freshmen as she has vast experience and excelled on the Iowa PGA Junior Tour.

"Everybody knows that we've got talent, but talent doesn't win anything. You gotta go out and play," said Olson, who helped

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New Hampton's Kinslee Rings hands the baton to Natalie Nosbisch as the Chickasaws compete in the 4x800 at the NEIC Indoor last week.

Youth shines bright for New Hampton girls

Rings, Pemble in 400; two runner-up finishes highlight Chickasaws' run at NEIC meet

BY KELLY TERPSTRA
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For being relatively new to the scene of track and field — at least on the varsity level — the Chickasaws' Kinslee Rings, Jersey Pemble and Aleigha Cahoy have sure put on a show so far this spring.

That's indoors, by the way, as New Hampton head coach Jeanette Laures won't unleash her NEIC girls track squad to the outdoor viewing public out on the oval until this evening (Thursday) in Waverly at the Go-Hawk Earlybird.

So far youth has reigned supreme for Laures and her bunch as underclassmen have flourished in the spotlight during the indoor track season. The last of those two indoor meets for New Hampton was run last week Tuesday up in Decorah at the NEIC Indoor meet, which took place on the campus of Luther College.

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New Hampton's Kinslee Rings hands the baton to Natalie Nosbisch as the Chickasaws compete in the 4x800 at the NEIC Indoor last week.

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