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County has plenty of TIF options

Supervisors emphasize that they have made no final decision on projects

By BOB FENSKE
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors spent about an hour having a “kick-start” conversation about the possibility of using tax-increment financing to fund a number of projects in an urban renewal area.

The “kick-start” comment came from Piper Sandler’s Travis Squires,

who has been hired by the county as its financial consultant on any TIF project that it undertakes, and Squires walked supervisors through the options they have about using increased tax revenues from the windmills that are part of the Chickasaw Wind Farm.

And those options are almost limitless, Squires said.

He presented a document to supervisors that showed the county could

generate more than \$35.63 million over the 20-year life of the TIF, although Squires added that a number of counties he’s worked with do not “max out” the TIF revenue, instead letting some of taxes on the increased property valuations to be captured by all taxing entities that can collect revenue from those properties.

He also said some of those increased taxes can not be diverted into TIF,

pointing out that entities with debt still collect taxes, as do school districts’ Instructional Support (ISL) and Physical, Plant and Equipment (PPEL) levies.

“I think the biggest thing I can tell you is that you have options,” he said, “and those options can change. ... Annual amendments to urban-re-

newal plans are not uncommon.”

Squires and board members also discussed at length both House File

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Council pushes ahead plan to hike water, sewer rates

Not a single resident speaks, offers written comments at hearing Monday

By BOB FENSKE
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The outcry over the city of New Hampton planning to raise water and sewer rates over the next five years never materialized, or at least it didn’t on Monday night.

That’s when the City Council held a public hearing on the proposal that will substantially raise rates on July 1 for the next five years, and not a single person took to the podium to express their opinion on the matter. And the city also didn’t receive any written comments on the issue.

So council members unanimously approved the first reading of the ordinance and will take up the second reading at its June 2 meeting. The third and final reading is set for June 16, and if all three readings are approved, the rate increases will become a reality.

City Council members and Public Works Director Casey Mai have said in recent months that rates will have to increase so that the city can afford to build a new wastewater treatment plant to be in compliance with state and federal nutrient reduction standards.

That plant, as of now, as an estimated price tag

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New Hampton’s Fae Stine American Legion Post 38 will hold its annual Memorial Day observance, followed by a cookout, this Monday at the Chickasaw County Courthouse Square. See the full program in our Salute Service Members section that can be found on pages 2-4.

School will be able to hand out free meals this summer

By BOB FENSKE
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New Hampton Community Schools will take part in a Summer Food Service program that will allow children ages 1 to 18 to receive a free breakfast and lunch each weekday from June 12 to July 24.

The School Board on Monday approved the program that won’t cost the district any money because 51 percent of New Hampton students qualify for the federal free- and reduced- lunch program.

“It’s good for our kids,” New Hampton Superintendent Jay Jurrens said during an interview Monday afternoon. “Basically, we’ll serve our daycare and summer school students at the elementary, but [Food Service Director] Jodi [Czerwinski] has a good plan to distribute the rest.”

Parents who want their children to receive the meals can sign up on either the school website or the school district’s web page. Those who don’t

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Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton High School Class of 2025 member Olivia Hoy receives her diploma from School Board President Jay Matthews during the school’s commencement ceremony that coincided with Hoy’s “golden birthday” as she turned 18 on the day that she became a high school graduate.

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EMBARKING ON NEW CHAPTERS

RETIRING SUPERINTENDENT JOINS GRADUATING SENIORS WHEN IT COMES TO ENDING ONE JOURNEY AND BEGINNING ANOTHER

By BOB FENSKE
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It’s grad day at Turkey Valley, too!

Autumn Maklenburg receives a rose from junior class representative Hunter Kruse after coming off the stage on Sunday during Turkey Valley High School’s commencement ceremony in which the school minted 28 new graduates.

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Jay Jurrens remembers Friday, Aug. 17, 2012, as if it were yesterday.

Back then, he was New Hampton’s first-year superintendent, and that was the first day of classes for the 2012-13 school year at New Hampton Elementary School.

A bond was formed that day, and as Jurrens welcomed the Class of 2025 members, their families, their friends and their community to the annual commencement ceremony Sunday afternoon, Jurrens, too, was ready to “graduate.”

In a little more than a month, he will retire — ending a 13-year career that began the same year most of this year’s graduates entered kindergarten.

He told the soon-to-be alums that he watched them grow up through concerts, games, plays and musical, FFA events and “simple hallway hellos.”

“I saw you become who you are today — strong, resilient, thoughtful young adults ready to step out into the world. And now here we are: Both at a crossroads, both preparing to step into the next chapter, and I can’t help but feel that we’ve come full circle — your story and mine.”

In many ways, Sunday’s ceremony was a typical commencement. The band played, the choir sang, senior speeches were given and the diplomas were handed out. Thousands of pictures were taken before, during and after the ceremony.

But this year’s commencement was different. Because this year — albeit a month later than

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New AC this fall?

The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors appear to be on track to replace unit

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New Hampton, Turkey Valley to each send five entries to state track and field meet

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Last home swing

No. 1 New Hampton closes out home golf season with regional win

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Interesting facts about Memorial Day

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Memorial Day is celebrated annually on the last Monday of May across the United States. The proximity of Memorial Day to the summer solstice has led many to view the weekend preceding the holiday as the unofficial kickoff to summer. However, Memorial Day is about more than backyard barbecues and weekend getaways.

Memorial Day honors service members who died while serving in the United States military. Though Memorial Day traces its origins to the years following the American Civil War in the mid-nineteenth century, it did not become an official federal holiday until 1971. That's one of just many interesting facts about Memorial Day that are worth noting as the United States prepares to commemorate the sacrifices of military personnel who died in service of the country.

- Memorial Day began as something of a grass roots movement. According to History.com, by the late 1860s individuals in towns across the war-ravaged United States began holding springtime tributes to soldiers who lost their lives during the American Civil War.
- Among the more notable postwar commemorations was one organized by former slaves in Charleston, South Carolina. That commemoration occurred less than a month after the Confederate forces surrendered in 1865. Despite that, History.com notes that in 1966 the federal government declared Waterloo, New York, the birthplace of Memorial Day.
- Postwar commemorations also were organized by northern veterans of the Civil War. General John A. Logan, who led an organization of Union veterans, called for a nationwide day of remembrance in May 1868.

General Logan referred to the holiday as Declaration Day and chose May 30 because it was not the anniversary of any specific battle and therefore unlikely to be viewed by some as



controversial.

- Early commemorations of Decoration Day, which gradually came to be known as Memorial Day, initially honored only those soldiers who died during the American Civil War. However, that changed over time as American servicemen fought in various wars, including both World Wars, the Vietnam War, the Korean War, and other conflicts.
- The red poppy has become a symbol of Memorial Day. That red poppy can be traced to a poem by Canadian John McCrae, who served as a Lieutenant Colonel in World War I. "In Flanders Field" notes the red poppies that grew in fields where countless soldiers had been buried in modern-day Belgium.

The poem was published in 1915, three years before the war ended. Sadly, McCrae himself

was a casualty of the war, succumbing to pneumonia in France in 1918 while still in the service.

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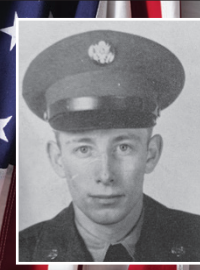
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7 ways to honor active military and veterans

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USAFacts reports the military included 2,079,142 military personnel and 778,539 civilians as of September 2023.

In 2023, the U.S. Census Bureau estimated there were 15.8 million veterans in the U.S.

In Canada, the 2021 Census of Population found that 97,625 Canadians were serving in the Canadian Armed Forces while 461,240 Canadians were characterized as veterans.

Military men and women work tirelessly and selflessly to defend their countries' ideals and freedoms.

Too often military members do not get the attention and acclaim they deserve.

The month of May, which celebrates Military Appreciation Month as well as Memorial Day, is a perfect time

of year to honor those who have served in various ways.

- **Improve the community.** Veterans want the communities they call home to be the best they can be, and that can be achieved by community members pitching in to improve their towns and cities.

- **Doing something honorable,** like establishing a park in honor of veterans, can be a great way to improve a community and honor service personnel at the same time.

- **Support veteran-friendly policies.** By supporting policies and organizations that prioritize veterans' rights, individuals are showing veterans they care.

- **Policies that ensure veterans have access to services** they need warrant everyone's support.

- **Donate to a nonprofit that supports veterans.**

Many charities do important work to bridge the gap in care or services needed by veterans or active military members.



Using hard-earned dollars to fund these nonprofits is money well spent.

- **Ask a veteran to be a keynote speaker.** Schools or businesses can ask military members to come in and speak to groups about their experiences.

Newspapers and other local publications can write about veterans and share their stories.

- **Pay respects to the country.** A simple way to honor veterans is to embrace and showcase national pride. Flying the country's flag in

front of homes and businesses is a first step.

Attending patriotic events, such as parades and memorials, also is a way to honor veterans and others.

- **Keep cemeteries clean.** Respect the hallowed land that is the final resting place for veterans by volunteering to tidy up around headstones and other markers.

- **On key calendar dates,** such as Memorial Day, help with the placement of flags on every veteran's grave as a token of thanks for their sacrifice.

- **Volunteer at a VA hos-**

pital. Now more than ever VA hospitals may be short-staffed and have need of more volunteers to help with various services.

Volunteer work can include visiting patients or running recreational activities, both of which can boost the spirits of veterans receiving care.

Honoring veterans and other military personnel doesn't have to be difficult.

Beyond a simple "thank you," there are many steps people can take to show their gratitude to active military personnel and veterans.

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Our goals should be to build a culture of love and encouraging each other

As I reflect on what it means to be a faithful manager, I realize that this concept extends far beyond our responsibilities and tasks — it’s deeply embedded in how we nurture our relationships with others.

God calls us to be trustworthy not only in our work but also in the way we connect with those around us. For me, this perspective transforms the way I approach life and the interactions I have on a daily basis.

Being a faithful manager of our relationships means being intentional. It’s about looking for opportunities to uplift others and recognizing when someone might need a little encouragement.

I’ve found that even the smallest gestures — a text to check in, a heartfelt compliment, or simply being present — can make someone’s day a little brighter.

Imagine the impact we could have if we all took a moment to be that “refresher” in someone else’s life, infusing our connections with positivity and support like confetti at a celebration.

At the core of our interactions is the essence of faith in Christ. When I inten-

tionally build Christ-centered connections, I anchor my relationships in something that is both powerful and transformative. It creates a strong foundation for understanding, love, and grace to flourish.

Just as no one wants to live in a house that sways like a Jenga tower, we all long for stability in our lives and relationships. By keeping Christ at the center, I find that my words and actions naturally reflect His love and encouragement, allowing me to be a source of warmth in someone else’s life.

But let’s face it—life is messy. We all have our struggles and imperfections, and that’s where grace-driven interactions become crucial.

I strive to approach my relationships with a heart full of compassion and understanding. Whether it’s forgiving a friend for a mistake or being patient with a loved one going through tough times, I know that leading with grace creates an environment where everyone feels valued and supported.

I often remind myself that offering grace is like adding a cherry on top of a sundae; it sweetens the experience and strengthens our bonds even during challenging

moments.

Moreover, I believe that intentionality plays a central role in managing our relationships effectively. God calls us to be “intentionally intrusive,” which means we should actively reach out to those who may be feeling isolated or overwhelmed.

I’ve found that when I check in on someone who seems to be struggling, it not only blesses them but also deepens my own connections. Each interaction is an opportunity to invest in another person’s life, helping us all grow stronger together.

As we nurture these relationships, I’m reminded that love is the true currency of the Kingdom of God. I strive to let God’s love pour into my heart so I can authentically share it.

I’ve come to understand that loving others isn’t just a duty; it’s a joyful expression of the overflow of grace I’ve received. This love fosters redemptive relationships — connections that help us rise above our struggles and draw closer to God’s grace.

As I think about my role as a faithful manager in all aspects of my life, I am challenged to prioritize refreshing



Josh Jacobs is the pastor at Harvest Church in New Hampton.

relationships, engage in Christ-centered connections, practice grace-driven interactions, and act intentionally. Each of these qualities shapes the culture we create as a community.

It’s a journey together where love flourishes and supports us through every season of life.

I genuinely believe that we can cultivate a community that embodies these values, reflecting God’s love and grace to everyone around us.

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

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

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3030 Highway 24
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Saturday, 4 p.m.; Ash Wednesday, 6 p.m.

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

FREDERICKSBURG
ST. PAUL’S LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD
222 S. Washington Ave.
Pastor Ron Koch
Service time: 8:30 a.m., Sundays.

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

FREDERICKSBURG UNITED METHODIST
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Pastor Alex Johnson
Service time: 10:15 a.m., Sundays.

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

ST. LUCAS
ST. LUKE CATHOLIC
215 East Main
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Monday, 10:30 a.m.

PROTIVIN
HOLY TRINITY
124 N. Main St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

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ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
3303 160th St.
Father Nick Radloff
Mass: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Almanac			
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Wednesday	85	61	--
Thursday	85	51	--
Friday	75	42	--
Saturday	59	42	--
Sunday	62	45	--
Monday	68	44	.96
Tuesday	51	43	.65

Forecast

Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high of 60 and a low of 40.

Friday: Mostly sunny with a high of 62 and a low of 42.

Saturday: Mostly sunny with a chance of pop-up showers; high 63, low 45.

Sunday: Partly sunny but chance of pop-up showers; high 63, low 44.

Memorial Day forecast: It doesn't look like the holiday will be totally rained out, but it'll be mostly cloudy with a chance of showers; high 64, low 43.

Meetings

TUESDAY

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

History

- In 1802, President George Washington's devoted widow and the nation's first lady, Martha Dandridge Custis Washington, dies at her Mt. Vernon home at the age of 70.
- In 1843, the first major wagon train to the northwest departs with about 1,000 people from Elm Grove, Missouri, on the Oregon Trail.
- In 1939, Italy and Germany agree to a military and political alliance, "The Pact of Steel," giving birth formally to the Axis powers.
- In 1972, President Richard M. Nixon arrives in Moscow on a state visit, kicking off the era of "Detente" for the two superpowers.
- In 1990, after 150 years apart, Marxist South Yemen and conservative North Yemen are unified as the Republic of Yemen.
- In 2002, the remains of former Federal Bureau of Prisons intern Chandra Levy are found on May 22, 2002, over a year after the 24-year-old was last seen at a health club.

Birthdays

- American oil tycoon T. Boone Pickens was born in 1928.
- Ted Kaczynski, the American serial killer and terrorist known as the "Unabomber," was born in 1942.
- Tennis superstar Novak Đoković turns 38.
- Short-track speed skating legend Apolo Anton Ohno turns 43.
- English model and actress Naomi Campbell turns 55.
- Former Major League Baseball pitcher Tommy John turns 82.

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Rocky Layne Burgart, 68

Rocky Layne Burgart, age 68 of New Hampton, died Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at St. Marys Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota, from injuries sustained in a farming accident.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at Holy Family Parish in New Hampton with the Rev. James Goerend celebrating the Mass.

Interment followed at St. Mary's Cemetery in New Hampton.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, May 19, 2025, at Hugelback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton.



Rocky Burgart

Rocky was born Jan. 16, 1957, in New Hampton to Clayton and Virginia (Johnston) Burgart, and Rocky lived his life deeply rooted in the land and values of farming.

Rocky attended New Hampton Schools and graduated from New Hampton High School in 1975. From a young age, he had a passion for farming. Helping his dad on the farm was more than a chore — it was a calling. Even as a student, Rocky would take days off school just to be out in the fields, learning the trade and developing a lifelong love for agriculture and the outdoors.

After high school, fate intervened in the form of a chance meeting at FS, where Rocky met Sue Schaudenecker. With a little persistence and his trademark charm, he convinced her to go on a date, and it only took one for them both to know they had found something special.

Rocky and Sue were married on Aug. 22, 1987, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Hampton. Together they built a life grounded in love, hard work, and family raising three children — Melissa, Amanda and Kyle.

While farming remained Rocky's first love, he also found joy in life on the road. He spent time driving truck for Supersweet Feeds, Rausch Brothers Trucking and others. He enjoyed the open road and the quiet satisfaction of a day's drive.

Rocky's heart was most at home in nature. Whether it was his annual hog hunting trips to Texas with his brother Roger and his sons-in-law, camping

William 'Merle' Cochran, 73

William "Merle" Cochran, age 73 of Waterloo, died Sunday, May 18, 2025, at MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center.

Funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 24, 2025, at Jerico Lutheran Church in rural New Hampton with Pastor Sean Scheele and Pastor Peter Faugstad presiding.

Interment will follow at Jerico Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Friends may greet the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, May 23, 2025, at Hugelback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton.

Hugelback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton have been entrusted with arrangements.

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Jane Irene Manges, 94

Jane Irene Manges, age 94 of New Hampton, died Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at UnityPoint Health Allen Hospital in Waterloo.

Funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 19, 2025, at United Methodist Church in New Hampton with the Rev. Paula Hemann presiding.

Interment followed at New Hampton City Cemetery.

Friends greeted the family an hour prior to the service on Monday at the church.

Hugelback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory in New Hampton has been entrusted with Jane's arrangements.

Jane was born on June 2, 1930, to Jack and Irene (Smith) Snyder, and Jane was a lifelong resident of New Hampton and a beloved member of her community.

A proud graduate of New Hampton High School's Class of 1948, Jane's life was forever changed in 1950 when a blind double date introduced her to the love of her life, Robert "Bob" Manges.

The two were married on Jan. 4, 1953, in the warmth of her parents' home — beginning a beautiful journey together that spanned nearly seven decades. Their union was blessed with one son, Steve, whom Jane loved and supported endlessly.

Throughout her life, Jane

Jane Manges

was known for her strong work ethic, friendly nature and impeccable taste.

She held several jobs in New Hampton, including at Agnes Dress Shop, Hauth Drug, and Bo Peep Clothing Store. She later became a familiar and comforting presence as the study hall supervisor at New Hampton High School, where generations of students affectionately knew her as "Ma Manges."

When Bob took over the local jewelry store and relocated it to Main Street, Jane stood proudly by his side, helping run the store and charming customers with her warmth and style. Whether selling jewelry, china or clocks, Jane brought joy and elegance to everything she did. She continued working with Bob until

Eric Leland Bond, 80

Eric Leland Bond, age 80 of Nashua, died Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at the Chautauqua Guest Homes No. 2 in Charles City.

Friends greeted the family from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, May 19, 2025, at Hugelback-Johnson Funeral Home & Crematory/Olson Chapel in

her retirement in 2020 at the remarkable age of 90.

Jane was also known for her love of sports, and she was an enthusiastic fan who rarely missed an Iowa Hawkeyes game. Her passion extended to the Minnesota Vikings, Boston Celtics, women's basketball and even horse racing. Tuesday evenings often found her on the greens at the New Hampton Country Club for Ladies Night, where her love of golf was matched only by her love of friendship and fun.

More than anything, Jane was fiercely proud of her son Steve and was a devoted supporter of his music career. She was one of his band's biggest fans and followed them with the same dedication she brought to all areas of her life.

Jane is survived by her son, Steve (Deb) Manges of Waterloo; seven grandchildren, Troy (Harat) Manges of Terrell, Texas, Tonya (Ben) Collins of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jeremy (Marcia) Treichel of Clive, Shawn (Krissy) Treichel of Boonville, Indiana, Karisa (Matthew) Renner of Cedar Falls, Cody Dewater of Cedar Rapids, and Jennifer (Tim) Newell of Cedar Falls; 15 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Sandra Schueth of New Hampton.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Bob in 2018.

NEWS BITS FROM OUR PAST COMPILED BY TERRI JOSEPHSON

Week of May 18 1950 (75 years ago)

- Graduating activities for 60 New Hampton High School seniors will begin Sunday night, May 21, when Baccalaureate services will be held at the New Hampton High School Auditorium at 8 p.m. Rev. Emmet Kelly will deliver the sermon.

Commencement services, the final activity, will be held May, 25, at 8 o'clock in the auditorium. Dr. H.J. Thornton, professor in the department of history at the University of Iowa will give the address.

1975 (50 years ago)

- A three-sport performer, Wes Weigel has been named New Hampton Community High School's 1974-75 Athlete of the Year. Designated for the honor on a vote of his fellow lettermen, following nomination by Community High's coaching staff, Weigel joins the list of 13 other New Hampton athletes honored since the award was first established in 1961.

Weigel is in the process of completing his athletic career at New Hampton. A member of the Chickasaw baseball team, he has already earned three major letters in spring ball and will be awarded a fourth chevron in four years in the summer season to follow. Along with the varsity awards he has earned in football and basketball, he will close his prep competition the recipient of nine major monograms.

He was recently named to the Explorerland All-Conference baseball honor squad and last fall was an honorable mention all-conference nominee in the NEIC,

2000 (25 years ago)

- A pair of former Chickasaw athletes are instrumental in the success of the Winona St. Mary's University softball program this year,

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of \$28.3 million, although Public Works Director Casey Mai said earlier this month that engineers the city is working with say the cost will increase in all likelihood.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of June 2025 at 7:00 p.m. the City Council of New Hampton, Iowa will hold a public hearing in the Council Chambers at 112 East Spring Street to accept input regarding the amending of City Code Section 75.08.
Subsection 75.08 of the City Code is replaced and amended as follows:
No person shall operate an ATV, off-road motorcycle, or off-road utility vehicle within the City in violation of Chapter 321I of the Code of Iowa or a snowmobile within the City in violation of the provisions of Chapter 321G of the Code of Iowa or in violation of rules established by the Natural Resource Commission of the Department of Natural Resources governing their registration, equipment and manner of operation.
A person operating a UTV or ATV in the New Hampton city limits shall have a valid driver's license and shall be at least 18 years of age and carry proof of financial liability coverage in accordance with Iowa Code Section 321.234A.
(Code of Iowa, Ch. 321G, Ch. 321I, & Ch. 321.234A)
Anyone interested may appear at the above stated time and place for the public hearing and be heard or may file written comments in person or mail to the City Clerk, of New Hampton, Iowa at the 112 East Spring Street, New Hampton, Iowa, 50659. Written comments must be received in the City Clerk's office before 4:30 PM on the date of said hearing
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New Hampton Council starts over on amending UTV/ATV ordinance

Under the plan the council is considering, a typical household of four that uses 3,500 gallons of water a month will see its water and sewer bill increase from \$60.04 to \$63.84 a month. That's an increase of 6.3 percent. That same household using the same amount of water will increase by 13.8 percent in July 2006 to \$72.67 a month.

Rate hikes are also in the ordinance for the following three years, but Mai has said that even by 2029, city water and sewer bills will be about where the state average is at right now.

The city plans on using the increased revenue to pay for the plant that will replace large parts of the current facility that is 60 years old. Instead of selling general-obligation bonds, the city plans to finance the plant through a State Revolving Fund loan program and repay it with the increased revenue generated by the sewer and water rate increases.

The passing of the first read-

ing was part of a nine-minute meeting Monday night, when the City Council also approved the first reading of an amended ordinance focused on the use of ATVs and UTVs in the city.

Currently, the city allows those vehicles to operate between sunrise and sunset, and the council earlier this spring, approved removing the time constraints on the vehicles.

But during a March 5 meeting, Police Chief Conrad Rosendahl pointed out that the current city ordinance allows those vehicles to be operated by those with valid drivers licenses who are 16 and older while state code says UTV and ATV operators must be at least 18.

The council had passed both the first and second readings of the ordinance in April, but after considering the information provided by Rosendahl, they let the third reading die and started over the process for amending an ordinance during Monday's meeting. The second reading is set for June 2.

Property Transfers

Daniel M. Miller, Daniel Miller and Megan R. Miller to Matt Ward and Mary Ward; S450' EX E40' SE SW 10-94-14.
Paul Hackman and Teresa Hackman to Pamela Nauerth; S1/2 NASHUA COLERS ADDITION Lot: 4 Block:19 N20' NASHUA COLERS ADDITION Lot: 5 Block: 19.
Marlys J. Hackman to ONE HALF UNDIVIDED INTERES, Jacob Hackman TR, Jacob Hackman REV TR, UNDIVIDED ONE HALF INTEREST Cassie Hackman TR and Cassie Hackman REV TR; N1/2 EX PARCEL A NE 36-96-13.

School Board approves new scoreboard for stadium

By **BOB FENSKE**
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New Hampton High School's football stadium will not only have a new field this fall but it will also have a new scoreboard. After experiencing a number of difficulties with the current scoreboard in recent years, Activities Director Cory McDonald asked the School Board to help with some of the costs, and board members approved the purchase during Monday night's board meeting. During an interview Monday, Superintendent Jay Jurrens conceded the current scoreboard has had numerous issues. "It is, honestly, old and it probably does need replacing," he said. "Last fall, we were working on it up until about 10 minutes before kickoff of our first football game." In the past, the district has approached

banks and local businesses to make scoreboard purchases and then place their name on them to recognize their contributions. But that could make bonds that the district issues taxable, which Jurrens said would have a "negative impact" on the district. Jurrens said McDonald has secured \$21,500 from the booster club, camp accounts and other sources, but with the cost of the scoreboard, placing of I-beams and concrete work, that left \$42,333 remaining and the board agreed to use the district's SAVE fund to cover the costs. Earlier this spring, work began on re-grading the field and installing an irrigation system, a project led by Larsen Landscaping and Lawn's Colin Larsen and financed entirely by private donations. Also on Monday, board members approved installing a water line to the soccer and football practice fields that

are located to the south of the Chickasaw Wellness Center. That project will also come from the SAVE fund and will coincide with the TRIBE Trail Committee's project to install a drinking fountain/water bottle filling station just off the trail by the CWC. And finally, board members approved fees for the 2025-26 school year. Breakfast prices will increase from \$1.85 to \$1.95, lunch prices for students in PreK-4 will increase from \$2.75 to \$2.85, lunch prices for students in grades 5-12 will increase from \$2.85 to \$2.95 and adult lunch prices will increase from \$4.85 to \$5. The only other fee that will increase is the driver's ed fee, which will increase by \$5, although the board, on the recommendation of Food Service Director Jodi Cerwinske held off on setting milk fees for next year until they receive bids next month.

Supervisors have plenty of options when it comes to TIF

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718 and potential future property-tax reform plans that could affect the county. "I don't see anything that causes me a lot of concern with what I know of your plan," he said. "We're talking ... that's a very sizable amount of revenue that you can consider taking on projects. If you have anything larger than \$10 million, \$15 million, then we have to think about strategies if tax reform happens."

Squires also said that just because the county uses TIF one year, doesn't mean it has to use it the following year. "It's OK to jump in and out of planning TIF revenue for three years and not planning TIF revenue for a few years and then coming back and doing another project later," he said, "but I do want you to be cautious with property-tax reform that occurred last year because there are some limitations." He pointed out that with House File 718, if a county was using a lot of TIF in a given year and then decided not to use any the following year, that county could see its valuations grow so much that it would trigger the law's call for levy rates to be



Bob Fenske/Tribune

Piper Sandler's Travis Squires discusses the myriad of options the Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors have when it comes to using TIF for potential products.

dropped.

The county last year appointed a TIF Committee to study using the increased valuations from the wind turbines, and that committee came up with several recommendations: • Almost \$9.59 million for road projects for work on V18 from the south city limits of Alta Vista to the Chickasaw County line, reconstruction of North Linn and South Linn and two bridge replacements — one on 170th Street and one on B57. • Up to \$750,000 for the replacement of the Conservation Board's storage building located at 2456 Hickory Avenue. • Up to \$1.6 million to under-

take improvements and/or construct replacement buildings at the Roads Shop that is located at 1990 Mission Ave. • And up to \$20 million for the renovation of the current Sheriff's Office building and the construction of an adjacent new 24-hour holding facility. After the TIF Committee made its recommendations last fall, Homeland Energy Solutions asked supervisors to include the ethanol plant located between Lawler and New Hampton in the urban-renewal plan so that it could receive almost \$1.18 million in TIF funding over a 10-year period for a \$40 million plant expansion.

Supervisors approved the creation of the urban renewal plan in early January, but they don't have to make any decisions about using TIF for the coming year until Dec. 1. "There are people out there who are saying we already spent the money," Supervisor Steve Breitbach said, "and that's just not true." Board Chairman Jake Hackman agreed. "We set the ground work to use if we wanted to, but that's it," he said. "We still have a lot of decisions to make, which is why I thought this meeting would be a good way to start that process."

Board still considering budget amendment for courthouse air conditioner

By **BOB FENSKE**
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The Chickasaw County Board of Supervisors appear to be leaning towards trying to replace an air conditioning unit at the courthouse sometime this fall. Board members discussed the issue a couple of weeks ago with head custodian Dave Gorman, when he reported that there was some concern about getting the unit that is located on the courthouse roof. The good news, Gorman said, is that employees from Mick Gage Plumbing and Heating were able to order new parts for the 25-year-old unit and it

worked fine during last week's extended warm weather. But the air conditioner has had its "moments" in recent years. "I hate to sit here and say we need to spend that kind of money," Gorman said Monday, "but yet you just don't know when the life of it and the parts availability." Gorman said Gage has been able to find parts for the unit, but County Attorney David Laudner pointed out that "it's been on its last legs for a while." He pointed out that last spring, the air conditioning wasn't working as a murder trial was approaching and that

there was a chance that trial would have to be delayed. "It isn't like it hasn't shown signs of age, like all of us," Laudner said. Gorman said another issue is that it will take about 17 weeks to get a new unit to the courthouse and up and running. "I guess if we have to do a budget amendment after the first of July," Steve Breitbach said, "and we have to wait 17 weeks to get it, we're going to go through another season so it's going to be another year older by the time it's installed." Board Chairman Jake Hackman said "my feeling is we do a budget amendment in

July or August and then maybe install it October or November. Most likely, it won't be hot." Also on Monday, supervisors approved Chickasaw County EMS Director Joel Knutson's recommendation to hire Adelberto Uribe as a full-time EMT with the service. The service has been down one of its three full-time positions since the passing of EMT Brock Schmidt in March. Knutson said Uribe is currently a part-time EMT with the service and that the county received five applications — three from current employees and two from non-employees — for the open position.

What Comes After, 'I Do?'

Marriage is more than a ceremony — it's a union of families and finances. When you and your partner are honest with each other about money and financial goals, it can help build trust, leverage your strengths and help pave the way for a financial happily ever after.

Since talking about money can be difficult, begin with conversations not so much about money itself but about the things that matter to you. You'll find these are also your financial priorities and a good way to see if you're on the same page, or how far apart you might be. Here are a few conversation starters.

- Make a list of short- and long-term goals — from buying a house to retiring early. Do you want children? Will one of you change careers or go back to school? See where your lists overlap and where some goals may be more important to one partner.
- Ease into the financial implications. If you plan to grow your family, would one of you like to stop working or reduce your hours to provide child care? If more schooling is a priority, what kinds of changes might that require?
- Share your feelings about money. How did your family treat money while you were growing up? What does money mean to you — security, freedom, stress or something else? Are you both spenders or savers, or is there one of each? Before your big day, or early in your marriage, decide how you'll blend your financial lives.
- Fully disclose your current financial situation. Discuss each partner's assets and debts and how, or if, you'll combine them. There's no one right answer — the key is for you both to agree. In nine community property states, all assets and debts are shared 50/50 after marriage regardless of individual or joint account status. Check to see whether yours is one of them.
- Align on your budget and spending. This can empower you to spend within your means while moving toward your financial goals.
- Determine who will handle the various tasks of manag-



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ing money. Who is responsible for which bills, who files the taxes and when will you consult each other on financial decisions like major purchases — a car, perhaps, or a major household appliance?

- Once you're married, there are a few things to address right away. You may want to consult with financial, tax and legal professionals to help avoid pitfalls and identify opportunities.
- Employer benefits. Newly married employees usually have a 30-day special enrollment period to update certain benefit elections — such as health and life insurance.
- Taxes. Adjust the W-4 tax withholding on your employee forms to reflect your marital status and ask your tax professional which tax-filing status makes sense for you.
- Insurance policies. Combine and update policies and beneficiaries, including adding each other to auto insurance policies if you drive each other's cars.
- Estate documents. Now with a family, prepare for the unexpected. Create or update a will, medical directive, and financial and health care powers of attorney, and you may want to explore whether a revocable trust is appropriate.

Getting married is perhaps one of the most exciting times of your life. As you commit to a lifetime together, make sure that includes a financial commitment. By starting a habit of financial discussions now and returning to them periodically, you can help set yourselves up for a lifetime of financial compatibility, stability and freedom.

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

Edward Jones, Member SIPC

District to have three pickup sites for free summer meals

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sign up may still pick up the meals, but priority will be given to those who have signed up ahead of time and you may have to wait while meals are prepared. Those taking part in the "Free Grab-N-Go Meals" program will pick up the meals each Thursday at one of three sites in the district. Each Thursday, students who participate in the program will receive a five-day meal pack with five breakfasts, five lunches and one gallon of milk. The three pickup sites will be: • New Hampton High School from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.: Please stay in your vehicles and make a single file line for pickup by the Activities Entrance (gym) and exit towards the Chickasaw Wellness Center.

- Immaculate Conception Catholic Church parking lot, North Washington, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.: Please stay in your vehicles and make a single file line for pickup.
- City Parking Lot located on South White Avenue in Alta Vista from noon to 12:30 p.m.: Please stay in your vehicles and make a single file line for pickup if possible.

Cerwinske is reminding those that take part in the program that only the child, the parent, grandparent or legal guardian may pick up the meals. That means if someone else is picking up the meals, the child or children must be present. Those with questions should contact Cerwinske by email at j_cerwinske@new-hampton.k12.ia.us or by phone at 641-394-2134, ext. 1120.



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HOLIDAY REMINDER: BE SAFE AND DRIVE SOBER

Saturday event kicks off busy summer for Nashua parks

By **BOB FENSKE**
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The Nashua Park Board's goal is to have one "special event" each month. Some are big; some are small. This month's is most definitely the former as the Park Board is gearing up for its



annual "Blues, Brews & BBQ" that will be held this Saturday at Cedar View Park. The event was held a year ago, but Park Board President Nate Sinnwell said board members "moved" the event to the Memorial Day weekend, in part, to take advantage of what is usually one of the biggest weekends of the year for the campground that is nestled along the lake. "We had a good crowd last year," Sinnwell said, "and we're hoping for a great crowd this year. We just wanted to try it with the Memorial Day weekend. People are looking for things to do, and why not stay at home and enjoy it, right?" Blues, Brews & BBQ will kick off what will be a busy summer for the Park Board, which is also putting the finishing touches on this year's schedule for Water Over the Dam Days, which will

be held on the last weekend of June. Throw in the fact that the campground recently opened and work was completed on the landscaping at the Baldwin Bandshell, and it's been a busy few weeks for the Park Board. Sinnwell said the campground has 40 campsites available — down from the 43 it has had in the past. "We had some really tight spaces," he said, "and with campers getting bigger and very few, if any, tent campers, we'd take a few out so it wasn't cramped." He said the campground opened late last month, and the board likes having a "soft opening" before the big Memorial Day weekend because it can fix any "bugs" at the site. "There's always a few," he said, pointing out that the board has fixed several electrical outlets and needed to replace a

toilet this spring. "It's nice to get those things fixed before we get the big crowds on Memorial Day." The May 24 event will include a beer tent, a UTV ride (although truth be told, any vehicle will do), a bags tournament, food trucks and live music by "The Untouchables," which includes Nashua's own Dennis Niedert. The Park Board will donate all proceeds from the event to the Nashua Fire Department and Nashua Area EMS. "We think it's going to be a great way to kick off a great summer," Sinnwell said last week, "and the 10-day forecast looks really good." And so far, so good ... there's a slight chance of pop-up showers for Saturday, but for the most, sunny skies are in the forecast for Nashua's kickoff to summer.

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Turkey Valley’s Dairean Keyes (above) runs in the sprint med at the Class 1A district qualifier on Thursday at Edgewood while the Trojans’ J.D. Kruse competes on the anchor leg of the 4x400 relay.

Turkey Valley boys comes up empty at Ed-Co state qualifier

By Kelly Terpstra
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The wind was not a friend to the Turkey Valley boys track team on Thursday in Edgewood. The competition wasn’t too kind either at the state qualifier hosted by Edgewood-Colesburg.

Turkey Valley and head coach Mark Scott failed to qualify an event for this week’s state meet, but the 4x800 relay did run a season-best with a clip of 8:52.8. That third-place finish featured the squad of Hugo Busta, Isaiah Wheeler, Kaden Schmidt and J.D. Kruse.

TV’s 4x400 relay of Schmidt, Busta, Wheeler and Kruse ran to a sixth-place result in 3:43.7.

Schmidt ran one lap around the track in the open 400 and placed sixth in a time of 55.83.

TV freshman Caleb Kriener ran a career-best of 19.39 in the 110 high hurdles. That time resulted in a seventh-place finish for the Trojan up-and-comer.

Trojan freshman Dominick Reicks placed eighth in the 800 run with a time of 2:18, which was also a lifetime-best clip.

Wapsie Valley won the district with a team total of 148, followed by runner-up



Maquoketa Valley (111) in the team standings. Turkey Valley mustered 21 points, good for 11th place.

CLASS 1A STATE QUALIFIER TEAM SCORES
Wapsie Valley 148, Maquoketa Valley 111, South Winneshiek 79, North Linn 66, Edgewood-Colesburg 65, Dunkerton 64, Starmont 48, Central Elkader 37, Clayton Ridge 36, Marquette Catholic 33, Turkey Valley 21, East Buchanan 18, Kee High 13, West Central 2.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS
Sprint medley - 8. Levi Kruse, Jayden Rausch, Dominick Reicks, Dairean Keyes 1:49.17.
4x800 - 3. Hugo Busta, Isaiah Wheeler, Kaden Schmidt, J.D. Kruse 8:52.8.
Shuttle hurdle - 7. Jacob Wurzer, Tucker Reicks, L. Kruse, Caleb Kriener 1:19.93.
100 dash - 21. Tyler Forbes 13.94, 25. Cole Fencil 15.0.
Distance medley - 8. Wheeler, J.D. Kruse, Keyes, Rausch 4:09.74.
400 dash - 6. Schmidt 55.83.
4x200 - 12. Forbes, Fencil, Dawson Humpal, Brayden Hoffert 2:01.5.
110 hurdles - 7. Kriener 19.39.
800 run - 8. D. Reicks 2:18.31.
200 dash - 10. Keyes 24.98, 22. Wurzer 28.06.
400 hurdles - 7. Kriener 1:04.46.
1,600 run - 11. Rausch 5:10.18, 20. Hoffert 6:05.65.
4x100 - 10. Schmidt, Busta, Wheeler, J.D. Kruse 48.17.
4x400 - 6. Schmidt, Busta, Wheeler, J.D. Kruse 3:43.7.
Long jump - 16. Humpal 10.5.
Discus - 14. T. Reicks 94.
Shot put - 20. Fencil 28-8.5.

Trojans’ sophomore becomes first Turkey Valley boy to qualify for state golf tourney

TV BOYS GOLF: FROM 16

which will be held at South Hills Golf Course in Waterloo next week (May 27-28).

Bernhard – who came up just short of cracking the state field last year as a freshman – fired an 81 at districts and in the process became the first TV boys golfer in school history to compete at state according to former longtime Trojan golf coach John Reicks.

Reicks stepped down this season and Bernhard’s father – Nick Bernhard – took over as TV boys head coach.

The father/son duo shared a special moment – not to mention emotional – in the clubhouse when they each found out they’ll be traveling to Waterloo next week to compete for a state championship.

“He wanted to go to state so bad. When he found out, we were standing there – he broke down and cried,” said the elder Bernhard. “It just meant that much to him that we were right there together.”

Bernhard entered Monday’s state qualifier as the Upper Iowa Conference champion and sectional medalist winner as he fired an even-par 72 last week Wednesday at the South Winn Golf & Country Club. With those accolades came some lofty goals and substantial nerves once the district meet rolled around.

The younger Bernhard lifted that piano off his back and proved that he is indeed state caliber.

“I knew it was going to be that way for Nicholas. It was kind of a mental game trying to block out all the distractions and just how much it means to him to get to state and just being able



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Turkey Valley’s Colton Kurtenbach attempts to hit a fairway during the UIC meet at Jackson Junction last week.

to stay in the moment,” said the TV head coach. “That was probably the most pressure that he’s had on him all year as far as how much it meant to him to advance.”

The playing conditions at Mason City were not ideal as rain and wind made the 18-hole course a challenge.

“It was pretty exciting. It was a tough day. They actually had to play a couple holes in the rain and it came down pretty good,” said the TV head coach. “It was pretty wet there for quite awhile and then the wind picked up. The greens were pretty slick –

they were tricky.”

Bernhard can make a case he’s already the most accomplished golfer in TV history on the boys side.

He was the sectional medalist as a freshman at Silver Spring Golf Course in Ossian last year as a freshman.

He fired a 40 on the front nine at Highland and put together a 41 on the back nine.

“It was just a lot of weight on him. He had to grind the whole day – nothing was really given to him,” said Nick Bernhard.

The state takes the top three teams to district and state com-

petition and the top two individuals from non-qualifying teams, unless there is a tie.

South Winneshiek was crowned district champ at Mason City with 319 and South Hamilton placed runner-up with a 335. West Fork was the final team to qualify for state as the Warhawks fired a 340 – two strokes better than Starmont’s 342.

Turkey Valley failed to qualify for districts as a team at South Winn. The Trojans ended the team portion of its season with a 350 – which was good fifth place. TV sophomore Brady Blong carded an 87 and junior Logan Busta finished his sectional 18-hole round with 93. Trojan senior Calen Franzen put a wrap on his TV golf career with a 98.

CLASS 1A SECTIONAL TEAM SCORES
South Winneshiek 322, Starmont 328, Wapsie Valley 347, Central Elkader 349, Turkey Valley 350, Clayton Ridge 372, Edgewood-Colesburg 381, West Central 381.
Medalist - Nicholas Bernhard (TV) 38-34-72.

Individual qualifiers - Bernhard 38-34-72 (TV), Griffin Hammersland 36-40-76 (CE).

Turkey Valley scores - Bernhard 38-34-72, Logan Busta 47-46-93, Brady Blong 44-43-87, Wyatt Maklenburg 56-49-105, Calen Franzen 51-47-98, Colton Kurtenbach 57-61-118.

CLASS 1A DISTRICT TEAM SCORES
South Winneshiek 319, South Hamilton 335, West Fork 340, Starmont 342, Gladbrook-Reinbeck 345, BCLUW 354, St. Ansgar 354, Wapsie Valley 356, Northwood-Kensett 372, Tripoli 374, Nashua-Plainfield 385, Mason City Newman 389.

Medalist - Cale Kleppe (SW) 70.
Individual qualifiers - Bernhard (TV) 40-41-81, Sawyer Schlee (STAR) 40-42-82.

Trojan girls shine at windy state qualifier

TV GIRLS TRACK: FROM 16

in 1A with a season-best run of 4:17.58, which saw them cross the finish line in fifth place. That relay is comprised of Kuennen, Stika, freshman Alexis Gruenberg and Nieman.

There was no doubt about TV’s d-med as it did what it expected to do by winning the event in 4:30.11 with the grouping of Nieman, freshman Brynlee Hayek, Kuennen and Stika. That’s the 11th-quickest qualifying time.

Bakula, who is an extremely accomplished runner herself, talked about the challenge the wind presents and how to address it.

“For me as a runner mentally, it’s a lot easier to run if you can get the wind out of your way first and then hit the home-stretch or back curve and then come home with the wind,” said Bakula. “Everybody that night tackled the wind well and ran at least good enough to qualify.”

Nieman placed fourth in the 400 dash in a time of 1:02.16 – a career PR. Nieman is listed as the 15th-quickest qualifying time.

Stika – who has battled shin splits all year – finished third in the open 800 in 2:29.78. She sports the 23rd-fastest clip in that event out of 24 entrants.

“We’re excited,” said Bakula. “Our season-best times have shown what we can run, obviously they were a little bit slower on Thursday.”

Bakula talked about Stika’s nagging injury, a problem that she’s been able to overcome despite not being at full strength.

“It’s not going to be 100 percent over until the season’s over,” said Bakula. “We’ve been able to manage it and get it back to a point where it is manageable. She can run and know that it’s there – but not painful.”

At the qualifiers, the state

of Iowa in the small-school class accepts the winner of each event to state as they automatically qualify from the 10 different sites in 1A. Then the rest of the state field is filled out in each event with the 14 next-best times, throws or leaps.

Nieman runs in Heat 2, Lane 1 tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m. in that 400 dash in TV’s lone event on that evening.

Her teammates will root her on and then join her out on the track on Friday in the d-med and 4x400. Stika runs her open 800 race on Saturday and will also compete in the sprint med that morning.

CLASS 1A STATE QUALIFIER TEAM SCORES

Maquoketa Valley 124, Wapsie Valley 92.5, Edgewood-Colesburg 86, South Winneshiek 85.5, East Buchanan 62, Kee High 57, North Linn 41, Turkey Valley 39, Starmont 34, Clayton Ridge 29, Marquette Catholic 28, Central Elkader 24, Dunkerton 24, West Central 14.

TURKEY VALLEY RESULTS

(State qualifiers in bold)
Sprint medley - 6. Kendall Kuennen, Jenna Thronndson, Hazel Nieman, Bella Stika 1:57.36.

4x800 - 7. Addison Steinlage, Emersyn Hoffert, Jocelyn DeSloover, Courtney Ball 13:08.31.
Shuttle hurdle - 6. Brynlee Hayek, Thronndson, Alexis Gruenberg, DeSloover 1:20.1.

100 dash - 19. Nora Chicken 15.0, 24. Raelen Manderfield 15.92.

Distance medley - 1. Nieman, Hayek, Kuennen, Stika 4:30.11.

400 dash - 4. Nieman 1:02.16, 8. Gruenberg 1:06.81.

4x200 - 10. Hoffert, Steinlage, Chicken, Manderfield 2:11.83.

100 hurdles - 10. Hayek 18.24, 16. DeSloover 21.36.

800 run - 3. Stika 2:29.78, 17. Ball 3:30.93.

200 dash - 11. Gruenberg 29.15, 24. Manderfield 33.93.

400 hurdles - 12. DeSloover 1:34.65.

4x100 - 5. Kuennen, Hayek, Hoffert, Thronndson 55.04.

4x400 - 5. Kuennen, Stika, Gruenberg, Nieman 4:17.58.

Discus - 8. Ellaney Bodensteiner 95-3, 13. Thronndson 78-7.

Shot put - 15. Bodensteiner 30-6.75, 19. Chicken 28-8.75.

Chickasaw boys suffer heartbreak but pick up experience at sectional

NH BOYS GOLF: FROM 15

Shatek said Ewert double-bogeyed a couple holes, but outside of that played well enough to be in the mix and the conversation as to what individuals kept their season alive.

“With the conditions being what they were today and the greens running as fast and as sloped as they are, I think everybody had one or two of those holes,” said Shatek.

Ewert, Kipp and the entire New Hampton boys golf squad has plenty to be proud about this year as the Chickasaws came on strong towards the tail end of the year. The Chickasaws missed out on the district meet by just one stroke at sectionals to Waukon’s 317.

Ewert fired a two-over par 74 at Pleasant Valley Sports Club (a nine-hole course) and Kipp carded a 77. Those tallies for Ewert and Kipp were career-lows. Freshman Evan Geerts engineered an 83, sophomore Charlie Kriener finished with an 84, freshman Lane Flattum produced an 88 and senior Gabe Macon rounded out the Chickasaw scoring at sectionals with a 94.

The state takes the top three teams to district and state competition and the top two individuals from non-qualifying teams, unless there is a tie.

“At the very least I’d say we got some good experience and put up some good scores,” said Shatek. “We’re going to bring back four letterwinners next year and hopefully we can improve over the summer and take the next step next year.”

New Hampton’s 18-hole score at sectionals – hosted by North Fayette Valley – was 15 strokes better than the Chickasaws’ low round this year. That prior season-best score of 333 came two days

earlier on Monday, May 12 at home in the last NEIC meet ever, where New Hampton placed fourth.

Shatek said the sectional course was favorable for his Chickasaws and they responded with the most polished performance of the season.

“Our round at sectionals was very good,” said Shatek. “I thought that place set up very well for us and very similar to New Hampton in terms of length and the style of golf you needed to play. That was not a shock to me that we played that well there. It would have been nice to move on as a team, but to be that close – it bodes well for the future.”

The two top-ranked teams in Class 2A went 1-2 at the district meet in No. 2 rated Waterloo Columbus (319) and No. 1 Grundy Center (323).

“This district – if the state champ individually as well as team-wise came out of it it would not surprise me at all,” said Shatek. “This is definitely – if not the toughest – among the toughest in the state.”

CLASS 2A SECTIONAL TEAM SCORES

MFL MarMac 310, Oelwein 314, Waukon 317, New Hampton 318, North Fayette Valley 332, Crestwood 335, Sumner-Fred 338, Postville 406.

Medalist - Dylan Stegen (W) 69.

Individual qualifiers - Adam Ewert (NH) 74, Drew Kipp (NH) 77.

New Hampton scores - Ewert 74, Kipp 77, Evan Geerts 83, Charlie Kriener 84, Lane Flattum 88, Gabe Macon 94.

CLASS 2A DISTRICT TEAM SCORES

Waterloo Columbus 319, Grundy Center 323, East Marshall 328, MFL MarMac 332, Roland-Story 340, Denver 343, Waukon 347, Oelwein 349, Maquoketa Valley 360.

Medalist - Judd Jirovsky (GC) 77.

Individual qualifiers - Hunter Polley (WM) 78, Brandon Tournier (O) 79, Ethan Anderson (O) 79.

New Hampton scores - Ewert 82, Kipp 92.



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Team-first Chickasaws advance in regional golf

NH GIRLS GOLF: FROM 18

“I think you look at what we were playing in – the wind kept getting stronger throughout the day – and you see we made a run at a school record,” New Hampton coach Eric Olson said, “that’s a pretty good day. I’m not surprised because they are committed to the game and to each other. And they’re just pretty tough when it comes to the mental part of the game. That showed in the regional.”

That wind, which was somewhat tolerable at the start of the meet, got stronger as the meet progressed. By the second nine of the tournament, gusts of 40 miles per hour were commonplace.

“It was windy in the morning,” Hackman said, “but it really kind of went crazy in the afternoon. You try to play the wind and then right when you pick out a club, it would die down, well, you know if you can call it that. It can wear on you, but Olson is always talking about being stronger than the conditions and I think we were today.”

New Hampton won the meet by a comfortable 20 shots over Northeast Iowa Conference rival Crestwood, but because the Chickasaws were playing at home, a third team, MFL MarMac, advanced to the final round as the Bulldogs shot a 384.

The Chickasaws showed just how deep they are.

The Nuss girls were, well, the Nuss girls, but hang around this golf team and you know the Chickasaws view golf as a team sport first. That’s been a constant throughout New Hampton’s “decade of dominance.”

“They root for each other, there’s no jealousy, they get along great,” Olson said. “This isn’t the first team by any means I can say about that, and as a coach, I really appreciate that. We spend a lot of time with each other. We’re in the suburban a lot, and it’s fun to just see how well they get along.”

“I wouldn’t be the person I am or the golfer I am without this team,” Flattum said. “I give everything to the New Hampton golf team, the pro-

gram, the girls, everything. It’s been amazing.”

What makes New Hampton so dangerous may just be how deep the Chickasaws are.

The Nuss sisters, Hackman and Geerts have been the primary “counting scorers” for the Chickasaws, but Flattum has broken into those ranks several times this season. And on Friday, she had the best “fifth score” by 11 strokes while Smith’s “sixth score” was the best in the tournament by eight strokes.

“Every score counts in my mind,” Olson said. “You tie, you go to the fifth score. The fifth score ties, you go to the sixth score. It happens, and it means every stroke counts.”

And after Friday’s meet, the Chickasaws are now road warriors. They played in Lake Mills on Wednesday, and if they advanced – it would be a huge upset if they didn’t - they head to Boone next Thursday and Friday for the state tournament.

Make no mistake about it, though, the seniors will miss playing on their home course ... as Chickasaws, at least.

“Coming into it, I didn’t even think about it,” Hackman said. “Now that you’ve told me, it’s really kind of sentimental. We’ve had a lot of good times here.”

“I love playing here,” Flattum said. “It’s our home course, and we’re all going to have a lot of good memories about this place.”

She paused and smiled. “But golf is fun anywhere with these girls, and hopefully, we still got a couple more weeks of that.”

CLASS 2A FIRST ROUND REGIONAL TEAM SCORES
New Hampton 332, Crestwood 352, MFL MarMac 384, Forest City 395, Osage 432, Central Spring 441, Waukon 460, Postville 512.

INDIVIDUAL FINAL-ROUND REGIONAL QUALIFIERS
Lauren Nuss (NH) 73, Kirsten Nuss (NH) 75, Ainsley Teeling (C) 79, Kenzie Moellers (C) 79, Devon Meyer (MMM) 87, Maycen Hackman (NH) 90.

NEW HAMPTON SCORES
L. Nuss 37-36 – 73, K. Nuss 38-37 – 75, Hackman 44-46 – 90, Alivia Geerts 43-51 – 94, Brenna Flattum 46-48 – 95, Camryn Smith 50-53 – 103.

ON TAP FOR CHICKASAWS, TROJANS

THURSDAY

Turkey Valley track at Class 1A state meet, Drake Stadium, Des Moines, 2 p.m.
New Hampton trapshooting vs. Waverly, 4 p.m.
Turkey Valley trapshooting vs. South Winn, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY

New Hampton track at Class 2A state meet, Drake Stadium, Des Moines, 9 a.m.
Turkey Valley track at Class 1A state meet, Drake Stadium, 2 p.m.
New Hampton baseball at Starmont, JV at 5 p.m., varsity at 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

NH and TV track at state meet, Drake Stadium, Des Moines, 9 a.m.
New Hampton and Turkey Valley trapshooting. South Winn invite at Sportman’s Club, Boyd, 8 a.m.
New Hampton baseball vs. Riceville, varsity at 10 a.m., JV at 12:15 p.m., 9th doubleheader at 2 p.m.

MONDAY

New Hampton baseball vs. North Butler at Allison, JV at 5 p.m., varsity at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

Turkey Valley boys golf at Class 1A state tournament, South Hills Golf Course, 10:30 a.m.

Turkey Valley baseball varsity doubleheader vs. MFL MarMac, 4 p.m.

Turkey Valley softball vs. Starmont, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7 p.m.

NH at Cedar Rapids Xavier, if qualified Class 2A boys soccer second round, 7 p.m.

New Hampton softball at MFL MarMac, varsity at 5 p.m., JV at 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

TV boys golf at Class 1A state tournament, South Hills Golf Course, 9 a.m.

TV JV baseball doubleheader at MFL MarMac, 5 p.m.

NH softball vs. Clear Lake, JV at 5:30 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.



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New Hampton’s William Camarillo keeps control of the ball as he makes a cut during Friday home game against Clayton Ridge.

New Hampton girls top Charles City but fall to Eagles

By KELLY TERPSTRA

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The New Hampton girls soccer team closed out the regular season portion of its schedule with a win over Charles City, 6-0, last week Thursday. The regular season finale came at Clayton Ridge last Friday, a match the Eagles won 3-0.

NH sophomore Kimber Dungey notched a hat trick (three goals) in the road contest with the Comets.

“With seven goals to her name so far, she has played a key role in the team’s success this season,” New Hampton coach Fayssal Talib said. “She truly deserves our support, and I hope she continues to push herself to maintain this impressive level in the future. New Hampton is fortunate to have Kimber on its squad.”

Tegan Dungey, Kimber’s older sister, netted two goals in

New Hampton’s shutout over the Comets. NH sophomore Caycee Crawford also put one in the back of the net for the Chickasaws.

Tegan Dungey, a junior, leads the Chickasaws in scoring with an astounding total of 18 goals. Crawford has also registered double-digit goals this spring with 11.

New Hampton talked about the loss versus Clayton Ridge.

“We did everything in this game – except score. Honestly, luck wasn’t on our side. We controlled the match, created plenty of chances, but lacked that crucial final touch. On top of that, Clayton Ridge’s goalkeeper was flawless, denying us at every turn,” said Talib.

New Hampton (7-6) traveled to Ron Wymer Field in West Union to take on North Fayette Valley (7-3-3) in the first round of Class 1A regional play on Wednesday.

Chickasaw boys play well but drop two tight contests on pitch

By BOB FENSKE

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The record may be 1-14, but in coach Jeff Monteith’s eyes, that mark is awfully deceiving.

The Chickasaws ended the regular season with two tight losses – 1-0 against Charles City and 3-1 to Clayton Ridge – giving New Hampton six losses by two goals or less in 2025.

“Even in the games where we’ve been so-called blown out,” Monteith said, “we’ve played pretty well. I know people think I’m nuts when I say that and we’re 1-14, but we’re really not that far away. We play well, and then we let the little things trip us up.”

Two glaring issues signified the Chickasaws’ season. First, New Hampton has scored just 19 goals, and almost half of those came in a 9-1 win over Northeast Iowa United on April 21. Second, New Hampton’s depth has been an issue all season long, and Friday’s loss to Clayton Ridge, when Monteith

had just one sub available, offered a microcosm of the season for the Chickasaws.

“It makes it tough,” Monteith said, “because guys just don’t really have a chance to catch their breath. You play a team subbing in five or six guys and you can only do one, that takes a toll.”

After mustering just six shots on Thursday in the shutout loss to the Comets, New Hampton again spent little time in its offensive end on Friday. Still, a first half goal by Keyvn Torres that came with a nice assist from Jay Pickar kept New Hampton in the game. Torres now has found the back of the net a team-high nine times.

Junior goalkeeper Easton Monteith and a bend-but-don’t break defense also were solid.

A night after making 17 saves at Charles City, Monteith made 20 more against the Eagles.

New Hampton opened the postseason with a game at Independence on Tuesday night.



Bob Fenske/Tribune

New Hampton’s Josie Singewald conducts a “throw-in” during a game against MFL MarMac earlier this month.

New Hampton trapshooters take second at Cedar Falls Invite

By KELLY TERPSTRA

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The New Hampton trapshooting team had to deal with a lot more than just knocking clay targets out of the sky with their rifles last week.

The wind proved to be the toughest foe of all, at least towards the tail end of the week.

On Tuesday of last week during the Cedar Falls Invite, with the wind not howling and less prevalent as it was a few days later, the Chickasaws and head coach Jay Matthews placed second with a 237. Waverly-Shell Rock won the meet with a 242 and the host Cedar Valley Shotgunners (235) were third.

Chickasaw junior Nolan Swehla was one clay shy of a perfect round as he fired a 49. Jake Vierow of W-SR and Maximus Krutsinger, also with the Go-Hawks, each came up with perfect scores of 50.

New Hampton senior Aleah Eichenberger was also on-point with her gun as she recorded a stellar round of 48 to finish individual runner-up to Delaina Bedard of Cedar Valley, who also notched a perfect round of 50.



New Hampton freshman Harper Humpal competes in a trapshooting meet on the Chickasaws’ home range of the Sportsman’s Club Boyd in Fredericksburg this year.

Chickasaw freshman Harper Humpal was not that far behind with a 47, which placed her third on the individual leaderboard in girls competition.

New Hampton battled the wind at the Turkey Valley/Sumner-Fredericksburg meet last week Thursday, though no scores were available to the Tribune as it went to press.

Matthews said the sin-

gles competition scheduled to be back at Jackson Junction against the Trojans the following day on Friday was canceled due to the inclement weather conditions, especially the strong winds.

TUESDAY, MAY 13 CEDAR FALLS INVITE TOP-THREE SQUADS
Waverly-Shell Rock 242, New Hampton 237, Cedar Valley Shotgunners 235.

Kelly Terpstra/Tribune

Young Chickasaw girls show 2026 potential at 2A state qualifying meet

NH GIRLS TRACK: FROM 18

previous week – i.e., an injury to a key runner, Kinslee Rings, at the Northeast Iowa Conference meet – and what they faced on a wind-swept track in Cresco, Laures found plenty of positives.

“We always want more,” Laures said. “We were hoping four or five, but without Kinslee, it was tough. We have a lot of very young people, and I think the experience of this – the fact that we can take alternates and keep them excited for track – will be really helpful.”

Crestwood won the team title at the qualifier as the host Cadets scored 126 points, nine more than runner-up Jesup. New Hampton finished seventh with 59.5 points.

New Hampton’s qualifier got off to a relatively rousing start.

In the field, the Chickasaws’ got two PRs from Braelyn Rosonke in the shot put and discus, and Adrianna Kinley took sixth in the high jump on a brutal day to leap. On the track, Madi Shawver to Kinsley Hackman to Aleigha Cahoy to Ries placed third in the sprint med in 1:54.46.

That didn’t automatically qualify New Hampton for state – only the top-

two placewinners in each event punch tickets to state while the final eight state-meet spots are determined by the next eight best times and distances – Laures was confident her team’s time was good enough.

In the distance medley, New Hampton didn’t have to sweat it out.

Instead, Shawver, Cahoy and Capri Lester put New Hampton in excellent shape when the baton found its way into Ries’ hand for her 800 leg.

The senior ran a brilliant tactical race, running in second place for the 750 meters, but down the home-stretch, she raced passed the leader to give New Hampton the relay victory.

“When I got the baton. I was just kind of thinking to, like, stay with the girl in front of me, and then that one girl passed her, and I just went with her,” Ries said about the early part of her leg. “Coming around that last curve, when I got to the end, I was like, ‘You know, I don’t have to catch her; I can get second and we’ll still go.’”

She paused and smiled.

“You know me, though. I mean why not win it?”

Which is exactly what she did with a burst at the end that gave the Chickasaws the first of their two qual-

ifier wins.

Ries delivered the second one about an hour later when she survived a bumpy ride in the 400 hurdles to win the race in 1:07.06, which gave her the eighth seed for this weekend’s Class 2A state meet.

“It wasn’t my best race at all,” she said. “I don’t know, I just didn’t get around very good. I hit, like every hurdle it felt like that. It wasn’t pretty, but I guess it worked.”

The only downside for Ries came in the final event of the night as the 4x400 relay that she anchored and included Hackman, Lester and Jersey Pemble just missed making it to state.

“Sure, I wanted to make it in four,” she said, “but three’s better than two, right? I get to run at Drake again and that’s pretty cool to end track there.”

Ditto for Hackman, who has been a track stalwart for the Chickasaws throughout her high school career. And for Cahoy, Lester and Shawver – along with a plethora of underclassmen alternates, the three-day state meet that kicks off today (Thursday) can be used as a building block for 2026.

And if 2025 taught these resilient Chickasaws anything, it was this: Hard

work pays off.

Take New Hampton’s young and inexperienced shuttle hurdle relay team of Kadence Rings, Bailee Tenge, Ella Knutson and Sydney Laures, who ran a season-best time of 1:12.56 to finish sixth.

“They’ve cut eight seconds off their time this season,” Laures said, “and I told them that they’re really not that far off from being a state meet relay. That’s what I love about track. Our sport, you can see the work pay off, and we have a lot of those stories this year, and we can take that into next year.”

For now, though, the Chickasaws are focused on the three events they are taking to state this weekend.

Ries wants one more medal to go with the two she has claimed in the 4x400.

“One more medal,” she said. “Three’s better than two, right? ... Really, though, I just want us to go out and run our best. We do that, and I’ll be happy.”

CLASS 2A STATE QUALIFIER TEAM SCORES

Crestwood 126, Jesup 117, Union 83, Oelwein 70.5, Sumner-Fredericksburg 66, Waukon 65, New Hampton 59.5, Denver 54,

North Fayette Valley 44, Osage 43, Postville 10, MFL MarMac 3.

NEW HAMPTON RESULTS

(State qualifiers in bold)

Shot put - 10. Braelyn Rosonke 30-8.
Discus - 6. Rosonke 106-11, 11. Sydney Laures 85-2.
High jump - 6. Adrianna Kinley 4-6.
Sprint medley - **3. Madi Shawver, Kinsley Hackman, Aleigha Cahoy, Taylor Ries 1:54.46.**

3,000 - 10. Juanita Cardona 12:58.99.
4x800 - 4. Sophie Glaser, Jersey Pemble, Kinley, Natalie Nosbisch 10:42.46.
Shuttle hurdle - 6. Kadence Rings, Bailee Tenge, Ella Knutson, Laures 1:12.56.
100 - 9. Ava Leichtman 14.73, 11. Zoey Kellogg 14.97.

Distance medley - **1. Shawver, Cahoy, Lester, Ries 4:27.77.**

400 - 10. Nosbisch 1:09.39.
4x200 - 10. Kellogg, Knutson, Brooklyn McShane, Leichtman 2:00.55.

100 hurdles - 11. Rings 18.14, 15. Tenge 18.79.
800 - 9. Kinley 2:39.03, 11. Cardona 2:44.99.

200 - 5. Cahoy 28.99, 13. Rylie Vsetecka 31.51.
400 hurdles - **1. Ries 1:07.06**, 5. Knutson 1:16.31.

1,500 - 7. Glaser 5:29.20, 17. Gretta Kuehner 5:57.59.
4x100 - 4. Leichtman, Shawver, Kellogg, Cahoy 53.22. Season best

4x400 - 4. Hackman, Lester, Pemble, Ries 4:15.75.

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Kinsley Hackman: Sprint Med



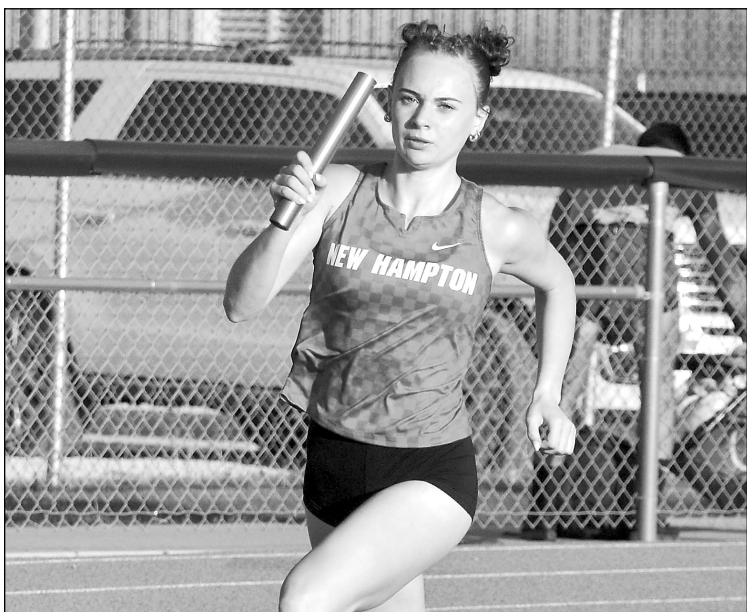
Aleigha Cahoy: D Med and Sprint Med



Carson Laures: High jump and 400 low hurdles



Madi Shawver: D Med and Sprint Med



Capri Lester: D Med

CHICKASAWS AT THE CLASS 2A STATE MEET

FRIDAY EVENTS
9 A.M.: BOYS HIGH JUMP FINAL.
9 A.M.: GIRLS DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY FINAL.
NOON: GIRLS 400 HURDLES FINAL.
12:20 P.M.: BOYS 400 HURDLES FINAL.
SATURDAY EVENT
9 A.M.: GIRLS SPRINT MEDLEY RELAY FINAL.

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End of a journey at Turkey Valley
Turkey Valley senior Kaitlyn Schroeder (above) makes sure her cap is just right before Sunday's commencement ceremony while Alexis Elsbernd and Ella Drilling (right) walk into the gymnasium.



Graduate Avery Vsetecka (left) poses for a photo with her sister Madison, and Brooklyn Kuennen (above) receives her diploma from School Board Vice President Katie Stika.



Emma Brincks (above) poses for a photo with her mother, Emily, after the ceremony while the Turkey Valley graduates (left) pose for one final class photo before heading out into the "real world."

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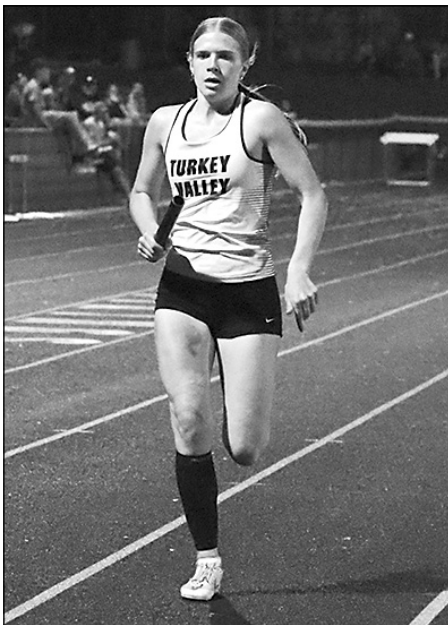
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Kendall Kuennen:
SMed, DMed, 4x400



Jenna Thronsdon:
SMed



Alexis Gruenberg:
4x400



Brynlee Hayek:
DMed

Turkey Valley girls at Class 1A state track and field meet

THURSDAY
7 p.m.: 400-meter dash final
FRIDAY
2:40 p.m.: Distance medley relay

final.
7 p.m.: 4x400 relay preliminaries.
SATURDAY
9 a.m.: Sprint medley relay final

10:30 a.m.: 800-meter run final.
3:55 p.m.: 4x400 relay final
All events on the Blue Oval at Drake Stadium

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Trojans’ Bodensteiner extends her golf season

By Kelly Terpstra
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Clear your mind and the rest will follow. Turkey Valley’s Annika Bodensteiner took that concept to heart when she attempted to conquer the nine-hole golf course during the Class 1A opening regional round on Friday.

The site of the meet was at Lone Pine Country Club in Colesburg and Bodensteiner obviously wouldn’t mind a return trip back to the course that allowed her to advance to the regional finals. Bodensteiner made the long trek down to Wyoming (not the state) on Wednesday in an attempt to crack the state field at that qualifier hosted by Midland.

The tall and slender TV junior – who also excels at hoops for Turkey Valley during the winter – was one of six individuals that moved on to play for the chance to compete at the state tournament, which will be held at the American Legion Golf Course in Marshalltown next week from May 29-30.

“It was good. We just played the same, tried to relax and did what I usually do,” said Bodensteiner about her team’s performance as well as hers on a super windy day. “My drives were good. I didn’t think too hard about it.”

While TV did not advance on to the next round – the top two teams qualify for regional finals (1A, 2A) (unless host school finishes in top two) – it was still a good day for the Trojans, who fired a fifth-place total of 445.

“We came a long ways from last year. We improved a lot,” said Bodensteiner.

TV qualified for the regional finals last year with a 451 under longtime coach John Reicks. Steve Hoffert took over the reins of the TV girls golf program this year – he also coaches Trojan girls hoops. Hoffert talked about the strides made by his Trojans throughout the spring. “It’s a tough course. It’s long, fast. The wind didn’t help much today,” said Hoffert. I thought the girls played well despite the windy conditions. I just like the way the girls improved throughout the whole year – every one of them.”

The state takes the top six golfers individually to the regional finals. The drive from Jackson Junction to the regional final course is just a tad over two hours south.

“I think it will be fun. I’ve never golfed there before,” said Bodensteiner about the regional final meet at Wyoming.

Nashua-Plainfield won the regional opener at Colesburg



Bodensteiner



Vsetecka

with 382 and South Winneshiek also advanced to the state qualifier with a 396. Host Edgewood-Colesburg was a distant third with a 427.

TV senior Morgan Vsetecka shot a 113 in her final high school meet of her career. TV junior Karstyn Lukes fired a 118 and senior Brooklyn Kuennen (121), along with sophomore Miyah Byrne (118) wrapped up TV’s scoring.

TV’s low-18 hole total of the year was 435 (fourth place) and came last week Tuesday at the Upper Iowa Conference meet played at Guttenberg Golf Course and hosted by Clayton Ridge.

Bodensteiner (100) earned all-conference honors with a seven-place finish and Vsetecka was also awarded a UIC medal with a 103.

“The girls really came around the back nine. We had some issues on the front nine, but the girls didn’t let that get to them,” said Hoffert.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE MEET TEAM SCORES

MFL MarMac 387, South Winneshiek 388, North Fayette Valley 435, Central Elkader 449, Clayton Ridge 493, Postville 497, West Central no team score.

Medalist - Devon Meyer (MFL) 46-40-86.

ALL-CONFERENCE GOLFERS

Meyer (MFL) 46-40-86, Abby Wagner (SW) 49-42-91, Maya Lensing (SW) 46-47-93, Kassie Tillerias (NFV) 48-46-94, Taryn Moser (NFV) 46-48-94, Hannah Jacobson (MFL) 51-47-98, Annika Bodensteiner (TV) 51-49-100, Julia Carnesi (SW) 50-50-100, Hadyr Meyer (MFL) 50-50-100, Lilli Eitel (WC) 52-49-101, Lainy Donnelly (NFV) 51-50-101, Brandi Herman (CE) 51-50-101, Morgan Vsetecka (TV) 52-51-103, Taylor Randall (MFL) 52-51-103, Ella Frieden (CE) 52-51-103.

Turkey Valley scores - Karstyn Lukes 62-55-117, Miyah Byrne 66-53-119, Brooklyn Kuennen 60-55-115.

CLASS 1A REGIONAL FIRST ROUND TEAM SCORES

Nashua-Plainfield 382, South Winneshiek 396, Edgewood-Colesburg 427, Starmont 430, Turkey Valley 445, Clayton Ridge 492, Central Elkader 509.

Medalist - Faith Franzen (NP) 43-41-84.

Individual qualifiers - Franzen 43-41-84, Paige Franzen 43-48-91, Claire Becker (SW) 45-46-91, Bodensteiner (TV) 45-51-96, Giulia Carbone-Kruger (STAR) 49-49-98, Chloe Everett (EDCO) 54-45-99.

Turkey Valley scores - Bodensteiner 45-51-96, Vsetecka 60-53-113, Lukes 58-60-118, Kuennen 68-53-121, Byrne 64-54-118.



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New Hampton’s Drew Kipp (above) tees off on the sixth hole while teammate Adam Ewert (right) sinks a putt during last week’s NEIC tournament.



Chickasaw boys just miss qualifying team for district

New Hampton advances Ewert, Kipp, but Chickasaws come up one stroke short at Class 2A sectional golf tournament

By Kelly Terpstra
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New Hampton’s Adam Ewert finished off a fine senior season and productive Chickasaw golf career on Monday at the Class 2A district meet at South Hills Golf Course in Waterloo.

While Ewert’s quest to crack the state field came up short, he was commended by his head coach for a tremendous run out on the links in 2025 this spring.

“I know Adam definitely would have liked to move on, but he played a good final

round here and was close. He had a chance to make it. He shouldn’t hang his head by any means,” said New Hampton head coach Brad Shatek. “He had a heckuva good year and played some good golf.”

After leading his squad to a season-low 18-hole total of 318 at sectionals last week Wednesday at Pleasant Valley Sports Club in Clermont, Ewert ended up playing in his last golf meet as a prep for NH. Ewert fired an 82 and freshman Chickasaw teammate Drew Kipp finished with a 92.

The playing conditions – wet and windy – at South Hills were less than pleasant

and ended up being a big factor for teams and individuals vying to play at the 2A state site next week, which is also in Waterloo at Gates Park on May 27-28.

“Topic number-one would be wind,” said Shatek. “We got there about an hour before the start and it was raining and really windy. Thank goodness we didn’t have to deal with the rain in play, but it was really windy the whole time, probably 20-mile-an-hour-plus and then gusting more. It was a pretty tough day I would say.”

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Gibran Aispuro and Brenna Flattum (above) lead New Hampton High School's Class of 2025 in the procession at the beginning of Sunday's commencement ceremony, where School Board President Jay Matthews hands Bryce Flugum (right) his diploma.



The last day for the Class of '25

A look back through the camera lens of New Hampton High School's commencement ceremony



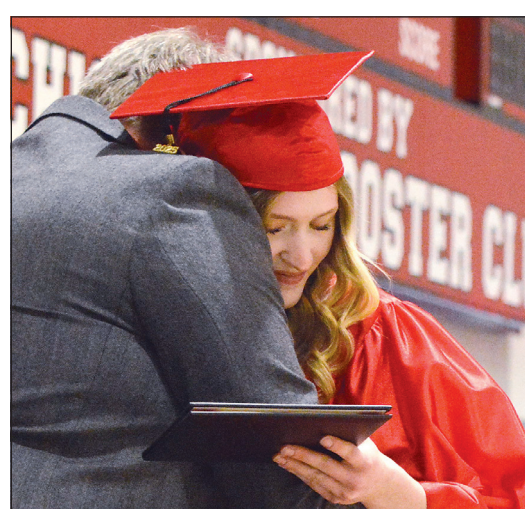
Graduates — including ReAnna Barron (above) and Kinsley Hackman (right) — posing for pictures after the ceremony is almost as much of a rite as seniors receiving their diplomas.



Commencement photos by Bob Fenske



Tanner Knutson's nephew, Paxton Palas (left), is focused on his uncle's rose after the ceremony while Miale Schmitz (above) receives her diploma.



Noelle Schwickerath hugs her father, Nate, after receiving her diploma from him and the members of the Class of 2025 (below) head back to the classroom one final time to pick up their belongings.



Hayden Hackman (left) delivers one of two senior addresses while Camryn Smith and Tegan Dungey (above) hand out programs before the ceremony.



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