

BULLDOG SPORTS

by Jason Bucher

# Bedford Wrestling Recap

The 2023-2024 wrestling season has come to an end. The Bulldogs will say good bye to lone senior Izaak Dukes. Here is a breakdown of the wrestlers records. Junior Lane Mason 138 pounds finished with a record of 12-26 with 10 pins. Junior Ca-den Mann finished the season with a 19-18 record recording 15 pins at 144 pounds. Junior Quentin Cavin wrestled 285 pounds finished 11-28 with 7 pins. Senior Izaak Dukes finished 23-11 with 14 pins. Junior Graham Godsey wrestled 190 pounds fin-ishing 17-10 with 7 pins. Sophomore Kase Coleman finished 4-18 with 2 pins at 150 pounds. Freshman Trace Ewart finished 5-25 at 157 pounds.

## KMA Honors for Lady Bulldogs

Sophomore Lexi Perkins has been recognized by KMA as she earned All-Sophomore Team.

Perkins led the Lady Bulldogs, 4-9, to a seventh place fin-ish in the conference. In conference action, she was second with 142 rebounds and 10th with 169 points. She was 11th in field goal percentage, 45.8%, and free throw percentage, 62.8%. She was also one of only two players in the conference to average a double-double with 13 points per game and 10.9 rebounds per game.

Freshman Aniya Hardee and Caroline Simmons both earned All-Reserve Team honors. Hardee finished with 122 points, 77 rebounds, 54 assists, 46 steals and 7 blocks. Sim-mons scored 99 points (18 3-pointers), 26 rebounds, 21 steals and 8 assists for the Lady Bulldogs. Congratulations to these Lady Bulldogs for earning these KMA honors.

## KMA Honors For Bulldogs

After the success of the Bulldogs season, many Bulldogs were recognized by KMA earning All-KMA honors.

Coach Tanner Peterman was selected as KMA Pride of Iowa Coach of the year. Peterman led the Bulldogs to a record of 23-3, which included a 13-0 POI championship, a district championship and a substate finals appearance.

Junior Cal Peterman was selected to the All POI Elite team. Peterman finished eighth in the conference as he scored 194 points, fourth with 53 made free throws and a 1.61 assist to turnover ratio, fifth in rebounds with 112, second in assists with 53, eighth in steals with 35 and seventh with 15 blocks for the conference champs.

Peterman was also selected to the All-Junior team along side fellow junior Brody King. King led the conference with 41 made 3-pointers while shooting 33.1%. He finished 12th in the POI with 169 points, 13th in assist to turnover ratio at 1.19 also had 45 rebounds, 25 assists and 19 steals in conference action for the POI champs.

King was also elected to the All 3-Point Team. Freshman Quentin Dalton was selected to the All-Freshman team, Quen-tin saw action in 16 varsity games and scored 20 points, with six boards and four steals.

Peterman and senior Conner Nally were both recognized on the all defensive team as Peterman had 74 steals and 22 blocks on the season. Nally often matched up with the leading scorer for the opposing team and shut them down with 80 steals on the season.

Junior Marcus Knighton earned All-Reserve team as he scored 203 points with 41 3-pointers, 80 rebounds, 32 assists, 27 steals and 13 blocks.

Congratulations Bulldogs on a great season and earning these KMA honors.

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## Bulldogs Compete at Northwest Missouri State Invitational

Sophomores Eli Johnson, Kase Coleman and Camden Powell competed in Maryville over the spring break at the Northwest Missouri State Invitational.

Eli won the 60 Meter Wheelchair in a time of 12.94, the 200 Meter Wheelchair in a time of 34.33 and the 400 Wheel-chair in a time of 1:06.87.

Kase placed third in the long jump with a leap of 21-03.50 and just missed placing in the 200 Meter with a ninth place finish and a time of 24.25. Kase also competed in the 60 Meter and placed 22nd with a time of 7.58.

Camden ran the 1600 Meter and placed 16th with a time of 5:26.99. The meet featured athletes from over 30 schools.

## NAMI Southwest Iowa presents Inaugural NAMIWalks

NAMI Southwest Iowa is thrilled to announce its first annual NAMIWalks on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Neola City Park. This event promises to bring the community together in support of mental health awareness, fostering unity, and spreading hope.

NAMIWalks is a nationwide initiative organized by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to raise awareness about mental health issues and eliminate the stigma surrounding mental illness. NAMI United Day of Hope complements this effort, encouraging communities to come together to promote mental health advocacy and celebrate the power of hope.

The event details are as follows:  
Date: May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Location: Neola City Park, Neola, IA  
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Registration opens at 9:00 a.m.  
Walk and Opening Ceremony commence at 10:00 a.m.

Participants will enjoy a peaceful walk around the newly paved walking path at Neola City Park, fostering a sense of community while raising awareness for mental health. The opening ceremony, scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m., will feature an inspiring speaker. Stories will be shared as we gather for more activities as the day goes on.

NAMI Southwest Iowa invites the public, local businesses, and organizations to join hands in naming this event a resounding success. Together, we can break down the barriers surrounding mental health, create a supportive community, and instill a sense of hope for those affected by mental illness.

Stephanie Willis, Fundraising Coordinator, NAMI Southwest Iowa says-“NAMI Southwest Iowa’s Inaugural NAMIWalks 2024 is a chance for us to show up in our community. I am excited for the opportunity to raise awareness and take a step toward breaking the stigma surrounding mental illness. You can make a difference just by showing up!”

NAMI Southwest Iowa is actively seeking sponsors, volunteers, and participants to ensure the success of this important event. For more information on how you can get involved, please visit [www.namisouthwestiowa.org](http://www.namisouthwestiowa.org) or contact Stephanie Willis [Stephanie@namisouthwestiowa.org](mailto:Stephanie@namisouthwestiowa.org).

## State audit report notes several findings for City of Conway

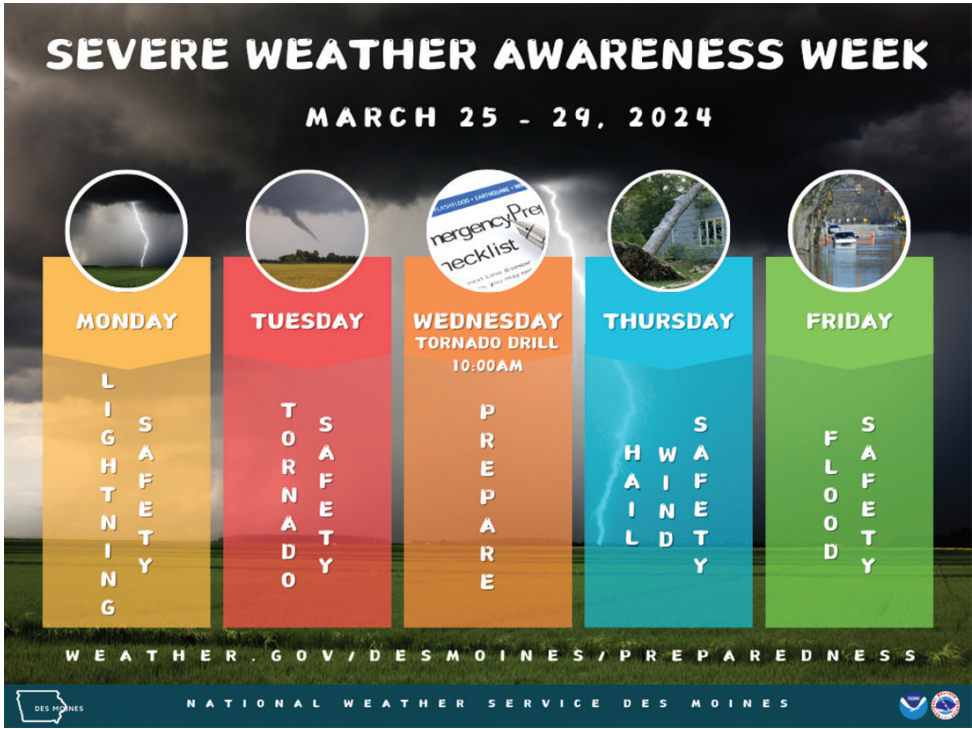
State Auditor Rob Sand released an audit report on the City of Conway recently.

During the audit, they observed city council minutes, obtained city’s internal controls to determine if proper control procedures are in place, observed surety bond coverage, city clerk’s financial reports and selected bank reconciliations, scanned city funds, observed 2023 Annual Financial Report, scanned depository resolutions, traced receipts, traced selected disbursements to proper approval, traced selected payroll and related transactions to proper authorization and accurate accounting, and observed annual certified budget.

The audit identified various findings and recommendations to the city. Those findings include:

- Segregation of duties – independent reviews of reconciliations should be documented by the signature or initials of the reviewer and the date of review.
- Electronic check retention – Code of Iowa allows the city to retain cancelled checks in an electronic format and requires retention in this manner to include an image of both the front and back of each cancelled check. The city does not receive an image of the back of each cancelled check.
- City council minutes – minutes of council meetings were posted, they did not include the total disbursements by fund or a summary of all receipts as required by the Code of Iowa.
- Annual financial report – the Code of Iowa requires the city’s annual financial report contain a summary for the preceding fiscal year of all collections and receipts, all accounts due the city and all expenditures. The city’s fiscal year 2023 annual financial report reported disbursements and fund balances which do not agree with the city’s records.
- Local Option Sales Tax – The city’s local option sales tax ballot requires 100% of LOST collections be allocated for property tax relief. The city has not properly tracked the use and unspent balance of LOST collections to demonstrate compliance with the ballot requirements.
- Dual compensation – Code of Iowa states an elected officer is not entitled to receive any other compensation for any other city office or city employment during that officer’s tenure in office but may be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred. For the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, a city council member was paid \$850 for mowing, clearing snow and minor maintenance of city-owned equipment. This compensation violates Chapter 372.13(8) of the Code of Iowa, which prohibits elected City officials from receiving compensation as a city employee.
- Charge account – The city has a charge account used to purchase fuel for the city lawnmower and snow plow. The city has not adopted a formal policy to regulate the use of the charge account.
- Checks signed in advance – The mayor and the city clerk are required to sign all checks upon receipt and review of supporting documentation. The mayor signs checks in advance.

Recommendations were made to the city by the state auditor and no response from the city was necessary because it was an agreed-upon procedure.



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Local Government Property Valuation System

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| COUNTY NAME:<br>TAYLOR COUNTY | NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING -PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY<br>Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025 | COUNTY NUMBER:<br>87 |
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The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County tax asking as follows:  
Meeting Date: 4/4/2024 Meeting Time: 11:00 AM Meeting Location: Taylor County Courthouse Supervisor Board Room 405 Jefferson Bedford IA 50833  
At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the Board will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed county budget.

County Website (if available)  
[www.taylorcountyiowa.org](http://www.taylorcountyiowa.org)

County Telephone Number  
(712) 523-2280

| Iowa Department of Management  | Current Year<br>Certified<br>Property Tax<br>FY 2023/2024           | Budget Year<br>Effective Tax<br>FY 2024/2025         | Budget Year<br>Proposed Tax<br>FY 2024/2025 |
|--|---|--|---|
| Taxable Valuations-General Services                                    | 421,337,284   | 499,270,601  | 499,270,601                                 |
| Requested Tax Dollars-Countywide Rates                                 | 3,563,564   | 3,563,564  | 4,491,516                                   |
| <b>Tax Rate-Countywide</b>   | 8.45487   | 7.13754  | 8.99514                                     |
| Taxable Valuations-Rural Services                                      | 329,709,729   | 389,137,279  | 389,137,279                                 |
| Requested Tax Dollars-Additional Rural Levies                          | 1,130,941   | 1,130,941  | 1,295,909                                   |
| <b>Tax Rate-Rural Additional</b>                                       | 3.43011   | 2.90628  | 3.33021                                     |
| <b>Rural Total</b>   | 11.88498  | 10.04382   | 12.32535                                    |
| <b>Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed</b>                        |   |  |   |
| Residential property with an<br>Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000 | <b>Current Year<br/>Certified<br/>Property Tax<br/>FY 2023/2024</b> | <b>Budget Year<br/>Proposed Tax<br/>FY 2024/2025</b> | <b>Percent<br/>Change</b>                   |
| Urban Taxpayer   | 462   | 417  | -9.74                                       |
| Rural Taxpayer   | 650   | 571  | -12.15                                      |
| <b>Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed</b>                        |   |  |   |
| Commercial property with an<br>Actual/Assessed Value of \$100,000      | <b>Current Year<br/>Certified<br/>Property Tax<br/>FY 2023/2024</b> | <b>Budget Year<br/>Proposed Tax<br/>FY 2024/2025</b> | <b>Percent<br/>Change</b>                   |
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Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:  
General Supplemental increase due to insurance premiums, elections and court fees.

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## HISTORY

- **1769:** MOZART DEPARTS ITALY AFTER THE LAST OF HIS THREE TOURS THERE.
- **1837:** THE CITY OF CHICAGO IS INCORPORATED.
- **1913:** THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IS FORMED.