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Minor injury in Sandusky fire

TRAILER FIRE: Family loses trailer and shed in early morning blaze Thursday

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

SANDUSKY – An early morning fire at the Sandusky Trailer Park near Montrose resulted in one minor injury and the death of a pet.

According to a Montrose fire official, a call came into LeeComm just after 5:30 a.m. of a trailer on fire in the park located in the 2700 block 340th Street. All the occupants of the structure were able to escape with only a minor injury that was treated at the scene.

The fire quickly spread to an attached shed and then

damaged three vehicles and some siding on a nearby camper trailer in the adjacent lot.

“When we got there the trailer and the attached shed were fully involved. The owner was at home at the time but was able to get out. We believe it was caused by a space heater,” said Jason Dinwiddie of Montrose Fire & Rescue.

“We did unfortunately lose a dog in the fire.”

Firefighters from Montrose Fire & Rescue, Jackson Township Fire & Rescue, Des Moines Township Fire & Rescue and Keokuk Fire Department were all on the scene, along with Lee County Sheriff’s deputies and Lee County Ambulance.

The scene was cleared right around 8 a.m.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

Fort Madison senior Brandy Walker fires a shot on the Burlington Grayhound goal Thursday night at the Baxter Sports Complex. The Lady Hounds again suffered a one-point loss 4-3, despite holding Burlington scoreless in the 2nd half. See SPORTS inside for the full story.

SCHOOL NEWS

FMCS D has openings for next year preschool classes

FORT MADISON – The Fort Madison Community School District will be expanding its four-year-old preschool

program starting in the fall of 2021.

Two additional integrated preschool classrooms will be added at Richardson Elementary. Classes are currently full but the district will take names for

a waiting list in the event slots become available at a later date.

The Fort Madison Community School District also partners with YKids and Carousel Preschools to provide no cost preschool options for our future Bloodhounds. Openings are available for YKids in their afternoon session and Carousel has openings

available in both morning and afternoon sessions.

If interested in enrolling your child for the 2021-22 school year, call YKids at 319-372-2403, ext. 4 or Carousel at 319-372-1424.

The new preschool program at Richardson Elementary has the op-

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UNEMPLOYMENT

New jobless claims on the rise in state

DES MOINES - The number of initial unemployment claims in Iowa, filed between Sunday, April 11, and Saturday, April 17, was 7,255, an increase of 2,250 from last week’s adjusted numbers. There were 6,673 initial claims by individuals who work and live in Iowa, and 582 claims by individuals who work in Iowa and live in another state. The number of continuing weekly unemployment claims was 33,546, a decrease of 46 from the previous week. For the week ending April 17, 2021, nearly 41.5% of claimants indicated their claims were not COVID-19 related, which is a decrease from 45.7% the previous week.

The U.S. Department of Labor adjusted last week’s initial claim number to 5,005 (a decrease of 274) and continuing claims to 33,500 (a decrease of 616). Iowa Workforce Development relies upon the weekly data released by the U.S. Department of Labor to report its numbers and as such, adopts the revisions to the previously published data.

IWD will continue to pay eligible claimants for the federal extensions for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC), and Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) through September 4, 2021. If you do exhaust regular state benefits, you will be automatically enrolled in the PEUC program. If you are notified that your benefit year has expired, you must file a new claim online to determine your continued eligibility. Due to current call volumes, we encourage customers to call only if they need assistance filing their claims. Additional customer questions can be answered by emailing uicclaim-shelp@iwd.iowa.gov. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Claimants who have received a notice of federal benefit overpayment now have the option to request an overpayment waiver for PEUC, FPUC, PUA and Lost Wages Assistance (LWA) benefits. The overpayment waiver form is available online:

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WEATHER

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For the Record/From the Front

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

04/21/21 – 9:01 a.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Brett Alan Briggs, 39, of Wayland, Mo., in the 1800 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for 5th degree theft. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/21/21 – 1:51 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1500 block of Avenue G.

04/21/21 – 3:59 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Danae Lee Larpenter, 33, of Fort Madison in the 1000 block of Avenue G, on a charge of driving while barred.

04/21/21 – 8:32 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Ryan J. Carter, 43, of Fort Madison, in the 3700 block of Avenue O, on a charge of

driving under suspension.

04/21/21- 10:38 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1600 block of 34th Street.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

04/21/21 – 11:22 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jace Canyon Prado, 21, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office on a charge of being a fugitive from justice. He was held in custody. *Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue report

04/21/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical calls.

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<https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/application-overpayment-waiver>.

IWD encourages Iowans to be vigilant and take precautions to protect their identities following reports of increased unemployment insurance fraud attempts. Claimants can protect their log-in information such as username, password, and Personal Identification Number (PIN) by making these as challenging as possible. Please be sure to always access our claims website directly via the IWD website rather than through a web browser search. IWD has added enhanced security measures to the claims website to increase the protection and integrity of the unemployment insurance program.

IowaWORKS centers and satellite offices are providing limited in-person services to assist customers with work search activities and basic employment assistance. Services include assistance with job searches, applications, resume preparation, and other services to help Iowans with their employment needs. Individuals should telephone their local office first to schedule an appointment as walk-in services may be limited in order to follow social distancing recommendations. Workshops and classes will not be offered at this time. Customers with questions regarding unemployment insurance benefits should continue to contact the IWD call center at 1-866-239-0843 or email uicclaimshelp@iwd.iowa.gov to obtain information about their claims.

For the week ending April 17, 2021, unemployment insurance benefit payments totaled \$10,240,551.03.

The following industries had the most claims:

- Industry Not Available - Self-employed, Independent

Contractors, etc. (1,578)

- Manufacturing (1,533)
- Retail Trade (529)
- Accommodation & Food Services (477)
- Health Care & Social Assistance (471)

A total of \$19,399,200 in FPUC benefits was paid, which include retroactive payments and reauthorized payments that went into effect on Dec. 27, 2020. Since April 4, 2020, a total of \$1,939,300,933 in FPUC benefits has been paid.

A total of \$4,094,548 was paid in PUA benefits. Since April 13, 2020, a total of \$235,632,356.54 in PUA benefits has been paid.

A total of \$8,278,665.63 in benefits has been paid in PEUC benefits this week. Since May 27, 2020, a total of \$321,027,538.83 in PEUC benefits have been paid.

Claimants receiving unemployment are required to perform weekly work searches. Those who will be required to begin work searches will be notified by IWD. We have also posted updates on our website regarding this requirement. There are currently almost 63,000 job openings at <https://www.iowaworks.gov>. Not all claimants will be required to begin work searches, including for example, those who are receiving PUA benefits due to a medical condition or lack of child-care.

Employers are required to notify their employees about Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits in accordance with Iowa Administrative Code Section 871-22.19. The requirement ensures that workers are aware of the benefits they may be eligible for if they become unemployed or experience a reduction in hours.

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OBITUARIES

THOMAS ALBERTS, SR.

Thomas "Tom" Alberts, Sr., 63, of Keokuk peacefully went home on Monday, April 19, 2021 surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Keokuk, IA on June 15, 1957, Tom was the son of Marvin "Sonny" Alberts Sr. and Mary Ellen Trugagos and younger brother to Marvin "Tit-Ta" Alberts Jr.



ALBERTS

On September 22, 1979, he was united in marriage to Bernice Cannon. The following forty-one years were full of love, laughter, and complimenting each other in every way. He will continue to patiently wait for Bernice from up above, even though she will be late!

Tom was a life-long Keokuk area resident, attending local schools and working for forty-four years at Keokuk Steel Castings. He was a great provider for the family he loved so dearly. Tom instilled the values of hard work and dedication in his children and anyone he met; always providing an example of friendship, community and kindness in his actions.

Tom was a behind the scenes man, practical and always at his best when helping others be at their best. He was always there when you needed him, helping at the drop of a hat and usually with a gentle smile on his face. He enjoyed playing cards with his family and spoiling his numerous grandchildren. He enjoyed traveling with his family all over the country and remembering to stop and see the sights of every "Welcome to" state sign they drove by. Tom was a rare gem of a man; someone who was truly kind and caring, protective but laid-back and sometimes even a little ornery. To those he felt a special kinship with, he assigned them adoring nicknames. He was affectionately known as "Tom the Toter" since he was always toting something around for someone else.

If life was the journey, and Heaven was the destination, Tom was the steadfast captain of his ship, face always to the horizon and not troubled by the waves. No fuss or praise was ever required. And now that his journey is over, his spirit will still guide all who knew him; clear and bright until we all can reach the shore.

In addition to being forever missed by his wife, Bernice, Tom was the loving father of three children, Pansy (Devin) Alberts Mallonee of Ottumwa, IA, Thomas "Tom" (Teresa) Alberts, Jr. of Keokuk, IA, and Luke (Beth) Alberts of Oak Park, IL. He was the adoring grandfather to: Ciera, L-Dogg, Little Joe, Natty, Joshy, Nina, RiRi, LeeRoy, Baby J, and Deli. He was the great-grandfather to Butch, Daxton, Aves, Sage, L.T, and Kinzlee. Additionally, he is survived by his older brother, Marvin (Winnie) Alberts of Keokuk, his aunt, Shirley Benedict of Fairfield, IA, brothers-in-law, Harry (Josie) Cannon, Pat Cannon, KJ (Dena) Cannon, sister-in-law, Vickie (Chuck) Mann, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A celebration of life will be held on June 12, 2021 near Tom's 64th birthday with details to be provided closer to the date.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

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OBITUARIES

LILY M. HARRIS

Lilly Mae Harris, 74 of Keokuk, IA passed away Thursday, April 22, 2021 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL.

She was born June 25, 1946 in Waterloo, IA, the daughter of Rufus and Marjorie Runyan Tompkins. She married the late Daniel R. Meek and from that union they had four children. Tony (Lynne) Meek of Sweetwater, TN, Karla Meek of Keokuk, Mark (Tina) Meek of Keokuk and Dawn (Colin) Grosskreutz of Keller, TX. She is also survived by four step-children with her marriage to the late Larry L. Reeves, Michael (Dorothy) Reeves of Winchester, MO, Kimberly Anderson of Donnellson, IA, Dean Reeves and Douglas Reeves both of Keokuk.

Other survivors include her third husband, William Harris, two brothers, Roger (Debbie) Tompkins and Dewayne (Becky) Tompkins, fourteen grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Lilly was preceded in death by her parents, her foster parents, Ed and Evelyn Gerner, one step-son, Mark Reeves, one brother, J.R. Tompkins, one sister, Barbara Tompkins and one niece, Patricia Tompkins.

Lilly would be best remembered for her excellent cooking. She worked in several restaurants, including Trails Restaurant, HD Lee Cafeteria and the L&L Truck Stop. Thanksgiving was a large family affair and her favorite holiday. Dressing, goulash, bread pudding and biscuits and gravy were all an annual tradition. Her kids would "call her out" if she ever altered her recipe.

She never knew a stranger and enjoyed talking to friends and family. All the family knew mom's loud whistle, her phrase "front and center" and she would use her pointer finger left to right to let everyone know they were all in trouble.

Her sense of humor, her boisterous character and her life of the party will be greatly missed and forever remembered.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA. Social distancing requirements will be in place and masks are recommended at the funeral home.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 1-2 p.m., Saturday, at the funeral home with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to the family.

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Sports

Lady Hounds battling a string of one-goal losses

Pothitakis and Walker combine for 3 goals in Fort Madison's 4-3 loss to Burlington

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – Claire Pothitakis scored two goals and Brandy Walker had a third, but the Lady Hounds ran out of time in a comeback attempt against Burlington at home Thursday night as the Grayhounds won 4-3 in Southeast Conference girls soccer matchup.

Pothitakis scored her second goal on a nifty bender into the upper left corner of the goal over four Grayhounds fending up on a penalty kick. The ball sailed lightly over their heads and spun away from Burlington's keeper Jenna Hentzel into the back of the goal to cut the lead to 4-3 at the 10-minute mark.

Fort Madison would have control of the ball on their offensive third for about the next seven minutes, but the Burlington defense would keep Fort Madison near the sidelines preventing crossing passes into Pothitakis. The Hounds managed another shot on goal in the stretch, but the lofted shot from the center was grabbed up easily by Hentzel.

Fort Madison scored two in the first half, but keeper Kailyn Guzman gave up four against a physical Grayhound front

in the half, spotting the visitors to a 4-2 first half lead. Guzman had nine saves on the night and held Burlington scoreless in the second.

"Tonight we started the game well, but then struggled connecting passes and being organized defensively," Head Coach Carrie Burken said.

"After giving up a goal with less than two minutes left in the first half, we got ourselves in a two-goal deficit at half-time. The girls played much better in the second half, scoring one goal and conceding none. It was just one more game where we lost by a single goal. We need to have more consistency in our playing to get us past the 'one-goal curse'."

Burken recognized Alyssa Fincher on the left side of the defense and Mary Kate Bendlage roaming the middle.

"Alyssa and Mary Kate helped lead the shoring up of the defense in the second half," she said. "And Claire continues to be the focal point of our offense."

Walker had one assist to Pothitakis, two shots and two shots on goal. Pothitakis had an assist for Walker and had one shot. Alana Simpson, Taylor Crabtree and Bendlage had a shot each.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison goalie Kailyn Guzman gets after a shot on goal late in the 2nd half of Thursday's 4-3 loss to Burlington. Guzman had nine saves on the night. Below, Claire Pothitakis chases down a forward pass.



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Sports

Lady Hounds salvage one win against Grayhounds at home

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – Molly Knipe got an 8-6 win over Kayla Norton at No. 1 singles Thursday night for Fort Madison's only win as the Grayhounds rolled 8-1 in Southeast Conference girls tennis action.

Burlington would take all seven of the remaining matches including sweeping the doubles matches.

Emily Woodsmall downed Rachel Hellman at No. 2 singles 8-3 and Emily Mosley beat Kayla Kruse 8-2 at No. 3.

Grace Hecox shut out Elizabeth

Stuekerjuergen 8-0 at No. 4 singles. Macy McGinity downed Sky Lawson at No. 5, 8-3 and Jacqui Workman beat Fort Madison's Lauren Otte 8-3 at No. 6.

In doubles play, Norton and Woodsmall beat Knipe and Hellman 8-4. Mosley and McGinity won 8-3 over Kruse and Stuekerjuergen at No. 2 doubles and Hecox and Workman beat Otte and Lawson at No. 3 doubles 8-6.

"We struggled tonight in singles. Really made a stronger fight when it came to doubles, saw a lot of good things, but still have some work to do," said head coach Jeremy Swink.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Molly Knipe plays the net in doubles action Thursday night against the Burlington Grayhounds. Teammate Rachel Hellman backs up the play on the baseline.

Bloodhound boys suffer first loss of the season in tight test with Burlington

BY PCC STAFF

BURLINGTON – The Fort Madison boys tennis team suffered its first setback of the season in a tight affair with the Burlington Grayhounds at Dankwardt Park Thursday.

Fort Madison got their usual wins from the Thurman twins Jason and Vasin at No. 1 and No. 2 singles. The two also rolled to a quick 6-1, 6-1 win in doubles to pace the Hounds.

But it was the No. 2 doubles match that swung the door open for a Grayhound 5-4 win in the Southeast Conference tilt.

Mike Mercer and Jackson Carlson took the first set 7-5 from Fort Madison's Levi Sissell and Bryce Workman. The Hounds then worked an easier 6-3 win in the

second set to force a tiebreaker. The two then battled to a 7-7 tie in the first-to-ten tiebreaker, but gave up the final three points for a 10-7 Burlington win to get the match.

Workman also battled in singles at No. 4 where it took an extended tie breaker before he got the win over Burlington's Owen Fawcett. Workman fell 3-6 in the first set, but came back for a 7-6 win in a second set tiebreaker. Workman then hung on for a 10-9 match tiebreaker for the win.

"That was his best match of the year," Head Coach Dean Hogan said. "Those two were both backboards and

battled through it and played some really good tennis."

Carlson knocked off Fort Madison's Kadin Medland 6-4, 6-2 at No. 5, and Mercer beat Tyler Horn at No. 6 singles 6-0, 6-0.

Jason Thurman beat Brendon Hale at No. 1 6-4, 6-1 and Vasin Thurman beat Rich Blisner 6-0, 7-5 at No. 2 singles. Burlington's Tyler Bertleshofer downed Sissell 6-2, 6-0.

Blisner and Mason Rachowicz upended Medland and Horn 6-3, 6-2 at No. 3 doubles.

The Hounds (4-1) take on Mt. Pleasant at home starting at 3 p.m. on Friday.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WEST POINT UTILITY SYSTEM WEST POINT, IOWA April 13th, 2020

The West Point Municipal Utility System Board of Trustees met in regular session at, West Point City Hall, West Point, Iowa 52656 on April 13th, 2021. Board Chairman Randy Welding presided and called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m. Board Member Brian Schmitz along with Board Member Ted Vonderhaar were both present. Tentative agenda was approved by consensus. Status of delinquent accounts was discussed and considered by Board Members in detail. Field operations report, as prepared by Utility Superintendent, was discussed by Board Members in detail. Board Chairman was reported on the following:

The next regular Utility System Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 11th, 2021 at West Point City Hall 5:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

On motion, minutes of prior regular meeting of March 9th, 2021 was approved. On motion, approved warrants payable for April 2021 as presented. On motion, meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m., April 13th, 2021.

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WEST POINT UTILITIES - UTILITY CHARGES	2,047.16
WEX BANK - GASOLINE	214.45

/s/ Randy Welding,
Chairman
Attest: Dawn M. Holtkamp, Billing & Collection

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. D-074

AMENDING TITLE 2 AND TITLE 5 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF FORT MADISON, IOWA, TO MODIFY A CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS CODE AND FIRE CODE
Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Fort Madison, Iowa:
Section 1. The City Council of the City of Fort Madison hereby amends Title 2 of the Municipal Code of Fort Madison, Iowa, "Boards and Commissions," by adding:
2-11-11: APPLICATION: An application form shall be created by the City and include the following required information and filing fee to be considered a completed and properly submitted application:

A: An application for appeal shall be based on a claim of one of the following:

- The true intent of these codes or rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted,
- The provisions of these codes do not apply,
- Or an equally good or better form of construction is proposed.

B: An application must state the Code section the applicant is appealing, or some other legal or constitutional basis upon which the City's decision or action is objectionable.

C: A filing fee shall be required with an application. Fee shall be set by resolution. If the applicant successfully wins the appeal, said fee shall be reimbursed.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Fort Madison hereby amends Title 3 of the Municipal Code of Fort Madison, Iowa, "Fire Code," by adding:

5-2-4: APPEALS: All appeals of orders, decisions, or determination made by the Fire Chief relative to the application and/or interpretation of the City's Fire Code, and any other code adopted pursuant to title 5 of this Code, whether expressly or by incorporation, shall be made to the Construction Board of Appeals as provided in title 2, chapter 8 of this Code.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not judged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council this 16th day of April, 2021.

/s/Matt J. Mohrfeld,
Mayor

City of Fort Madison, Iowa

ATTEST:
/s/Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

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Special Olympics Charity event

The Fort Madison Eagles Club will be hold a fish and shrimp fry on Friday, April 23 at 4821 Avenue O from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event will serve as a fundraiser for Special Olympics Iowa, with a 50/50 raffle and karaoke. All to go orders will be curbside pickup only. Call 319-372-6928 to order and for more information.

Community Clean-up

FORT MADISON – The annual community clean up has been set this year for April 24. Contact the Chamber at 319-372-5471.

Sheaffer Golf Customer Appreciation

Saturday April 24 from 11 to 3 p.m. at the Sheaffer Golf Course. Complimentary Food and Keg beer, door prizes and drawings. Visit the website at www.sheaffergolf.com.

Paint-A-Thon

The annual Fort Madison Partners Paint-A-Thon is still looking for volunteers and volunteer teams. The event takes place April 26-30th. Contact Partners at 319-372-5471 or email Tim Gobble at tgobble@fortmadison.com for more information and to register to help.

Live Healthy Iowa 5K

Fort Madison is one of 11 counties participating in the Live Healthy Iowa 5K on May 1 with a 5K run walk at 8 a.m. and a 9 a.m. 1K Kids' Walk. Register

now at LiveHealthyIowa5K.org.

Salute to Small Business Breakfast

Huffman's Farm & Home and Huffman Welding, Inc and the Fort Madison Chamber are sponsoring this year's Salute to Small Business Breakfast. Nominations are being accepted now at <http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07ehq7d511kmf27okf/a008kmzivosw/questions>. The breakfast is being held on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. at Small Grand Things south of West Point.

United Way Golf Outing, Virtual 5K

LEE COUNTY – The United Way annual golf outing will be held on May 7 this year with a noon shotgun start. Registration and sponsorships are now available by contacting Karen at 319-524-4504 or at director@unitedwaygrr.org. The group is also sponsoring a virtual 5K event from May 21, to May 31. Registration is ongoing with a cost of \$20 per person including a t-shirt, \$15 to participate with no shirt. Shirts can be picked up at 511 Blondeau St. in Keokuk or you can include an additional \$5 to have it shipped to you.

Old Fort Players "Leaving Iowa"

"Leaving Iowa" takes the stage May 7th – 9th and 14-16th with 7:30 shows on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. matinees on Sunday. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and military and \$10 for students. Tickets are available at www.oldfortplayers.com and the theaters Facebook page.

Glo 5K Crazy for Education Glow Run

This year's 5K event will be held live on May 8th beginning at 8:30 p.m. at Baxter Sports Complex. The run will be an untimed fun run to reduce runner interactions due to ongoing pandemic concerns. All proceeds will benefit Elliott Test Kitchen Foundation programs. Click here for early registration and save \$5! <https://www.pencitycurrent.com/glo-crazy-for-education/>.

Florida of Iowa Golf Outing

LEE COUNTY – After being canceled due to COVID in 2020, the annual Jack Morris Memorial Florida of Iowa Golf Outing is set for June 11. Sponsorships are available and registrations are being taken by contacting the Chamber at 319-372-5471 or by email at chamber@fortmadison.com.

FMCH Foundation Golf Classic

LEE COUNTY – The Fort Madison Foundation golf outing will be held Friday, June 18 at Sheaffer Memorial Golf Course with morning and afternoon flights. Sponsorship and Team opportunities are now available. All money raised benefits Fort Madison Community Hospital. Contact Carrie at 319-376-2747 or cgreen@fmchosp.com for more information.

Fort Madison Farmer's Market

The summer markets start again on June 7, each Monday. New vendors are being sought. Call 319-371-5471 for more information. Check out Facebook page at @FMFarmersMarket.

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District transportation will be available for the Richardson programs and classes will be held Monday-Friday, following the district calendar. To qualify children must be four years old by September 15th, 2021.

The goal of the FM preschool is to provide early childhood education that lays the groundwork for future academic success focusing on strong intellectual, physical, emotional, and social development.

For more information about the Richardson Elementary preschool program, contact Central Office at 319-372-7252, ext. 1002.

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Online Auction April 25th Thru May 1st

Bidding Ends May 1st at 7pm!!

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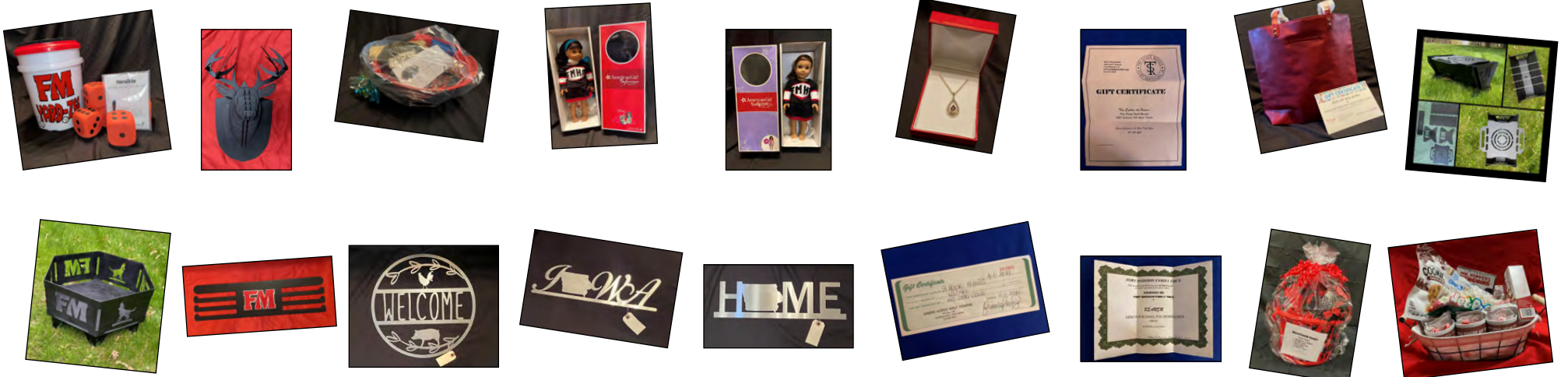
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FM Lincoln Elementary PTG Online Auction




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 Mrs. Billingsley's 1st Grade Photo Project

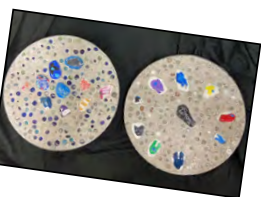
 Mrs. Billingsley's 1st Grade Cookbook


 Mrs. Cashman's 2nd Grade Tote Bag (2019-20)

 Mrs. Terrell's 3rd Grade Jenga Set


 Library Handmade Bean Bag and Book Basket by Mrs. Carter


 Mrs. Bailey's 1st Grade Coffee Mug Set and Hot Cocoa Basket (2019-20)




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 Color Street Gift Basket Donated by Mani's with Sammie


 Gift Certificate to Kim's Confections Donated by Brian Steffensmeier


Classroom Projects


 Ms. Martin's Kindergarten Dr Seuss Basket and Portrait


 Ms. Howard's 1st Grade Jenga Set W/ Photo Project

 Mrs. Wheeler's 2nd Grade Classroom Faces Blanket


 Mrs. Wibbell's 3rd Grade Student Photography Collage

 Mrs. Woolever's 3rd Grade American Flag Painting


 Movie Night Basket Created by Lincoln's Ms. Loots, Ms. Pollpeter, & Ms. Settles


 Bloodhound Basket Created by Ms. Forbes


 Mrs. Hellige's Kindergarten Barn Quilts (2020-21 AND 2019-20)

 Mrs. Cashman's 2nd Grade Classroom Guess Who Game

 Ms. Nagel's 2nd Grade Checkers Set


 Mrs. Bothell's 3rd Grade Stepping Stones


 Mrs. Saathoff and Mrs. Ridgeway's Online Students Outdoor Fun Basket


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