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HTC rallies to semis



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg

HTC senior Anna Sobczak signs the semifinal bracket after the Crusaders advanced with a 5th-set tie-breaker win over Janesville Tuesday at the IGHSAU State Volleyball championships.

5-SETTER: Crusaders roll into semis to face top-seeded Burlington Notre Dame

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

CEDAR RAPIDS — Holy Trinity had its 10-year state volleyball tournament streak snapped last season.

The Crusaders are back at Alliant Energy PowerHouse, and they decided to stay as long as they could Tuesday night.

Holy Trinity's 23-25, 25-21, 25-22, 20-25, 15-8 win over Janesville in the Class 1A quarterfinals was all about the Crusaders' endurance.

"We didn't want to go home tonight," senior Kassi Randolph said, and so they won't, although it took the Crusaders almost two hours to stay alive in the tournament.

The Crusaders, the fourth seed, play top seed and SEI Superconference South Division rival Notre Dame at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The Nikes eliminated Holy Trinity last season on the way to the state championship, and they've got two wins over the Crusaders this season.

"Losing to them two times, we have more motivation," said sophomore Natalie Randolph, who had 11 kills. "And we're ready for them."

The Crusaders have been omnipresent at the state tournament, but so many of the current team have little or no experience playing here. And often, it showed.

"You forget they haven't been here," Holy Trinity coach Melissa Freesmeier said.

"I think they got a little bit of the nerves before settling in."

"I think our whole team was nervous," said Kayla Box, who saw her

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Senior Kassi Randolph gets a set assist while Kayla Box looks on in the third set of the Crusaders' win Tuesday.

HUMPHREY BUILDING City to file for ownership of building

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON — As winter approaches, eyes are once again turned to the Humphrey building in downtown Fort Madison.

City officials said a motion should be filed in North Lee County Court any day to set a hearing for the city to assume ownership of the building at the corner of 8th Street and Avenue G, free and clear of the Humphrey estate.

The building has been vacant for close to six months after the city received a judicial order that allowed them to vacate the building. Former owner Bryan Humphrey's son Ben had been living in the building prior to that. The late Bryan Humphrey took his own life in February of this year.

City officials were given authority to

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COMMUNITY DINNER FM Thanksgiving dinner to be just a little different

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON, IA — With the Thanksgiving holiday just around the corner, the Fort Madison Community Thanksgiving Dinner Committee is busy preparing for a dinner that will look a little different this year.

The 2021 Fort Madison Community Thanksgiving Dinner will take place on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021, and will be carry out and delivery only. The committee will serve meals from the Fraternal Order of the Eagles Aerie 1287 located at 4821 Avenue O Suite #4. Volunteers will be needed to help deliver meals to those who are unable to get out. Deliveries will be made from 11 am – 2 pm

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For the Record/From the Front

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report
 11/01/21 – 9:42 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 800 block of 15th Street.
 11/01/21 – 2:28 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1500 block of Avenue H.
 11/01/21 – 4:31 p.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Roy James Vowels, 32, of Fort Madison, in the 2600 block of Avenue L, on charges of 3rd degree criminal mischief, 3rd degree harassment, and disorderly conduct – fight/violence. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 11/01/21 – 7:49 p.m. – Fort Madison police cited Daryl Marie Honadel, 34, of Fort Madison, in the 4800 block of Avenue O, for driving under suspension.
 11/01/21 – 9:33 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1800 block of Avenue D.

11/01/21 – 7:24 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies responded to an accident in the 2500 block of Hwy. 218. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Brian Scott Williams, 42, of Cedar Rapids, was traveling on the highway when he got too close to the shoulder, lost control, and entered the ditch when his vehicle caught fire. The driver suffered a serious head injury and was transported to the hospital via EMS. The vehicle was complete burned and had to be towed from the scene. There were no citations reported.
 11/01/21 – 11:50 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Adam Steven Hamilton Haskins, 41, of Gulfport, Miss., at the intersection of Hwys. 16 and 218, on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of prescription drugs, no valid driver's license, and operating a non-registered vehicle. He was taken to Lee County Jail. *Those listed above are arrested or cited on a suspicion of a crime and are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

Lee County Sheriff's Report
 11/01/21 – Lee County sheriff deputies responded to four accidents involving deer with no injuries reported.
 11/01/21 – 6:15 p.m. – Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Joseph Duane Leeper, Sr., 45, of Keokuk, in the 300 block of North Park Drive, on warrants for 2nd degree theft greater than \$1500, but less than \$10,000 and 5th degree theft less than \$300. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue report
 10/30/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical calls and two burn complaints
 10/31/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls.
 11/01/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to five medical calls and one smoke investigation

City wants ownership to hand off structure

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empty the building in order for safety and to possibly shore up the building. Krogmeier said he wasn't given authority to make repairs.

"It's the cost essentially, and I haven't been given approval to do that," he said.

Fort Madison Mayor Matt Mohrfeld said he expects Pat O'Connell of Lynch-Dallas LLC out of Cedar Rapids to be filing the motion for the hearing any day.

Mohrfeld confirmed that Krogmeier hasn't been given authority to make any repairs in the building because the city is still following a court order that required Humphrey, or now his estate, to shore up the building.

"No, because part of that is we compelled the owner, and we're not sure what that means at this point, to follow the court order to stabilize the building. None of that has happened. In our plan that we will pres-

ent to the court we want to stabilize it and make it safe, and then bring it back to a viable property in some fashion," Mohrfeld said.

"When we hit the criteria of the law, we can apply to be on the docket. We're at the mercy of (the court's) schedule. When we get there we will appeal that the building has fallen into abandonment and disrepair and, for the good of the community, we'll ask the court to assign the building over to us free and clear."

Krogmeier said the city has possession but not ownership of the building so the city, at this point, still isn't liable for the building. But if it were to start to crumble due to temperatures or a heavy winter, then the city would be forced to take action.

"Essentially the court gave us possession of the building but not ownership. That allowed us to keep people out of the building, change the locks,

make repairs, that sort of thing," Krogmeier said.

The building has sat vacant for the past six months and Krogmeier said they had to have that history before they could go to the courts for an ownership hearing.

He said city officials are keeping a close eye on the building and haven't seen any additional movement causing concern.

"It doesn't look like it's moved too much. But I can't see everything," he said. "If I do see something, that road would be closed again."

Krogmeier said it's his understanding that a hearing to acquire ownership could take a couple months. That hearing would need to take place before the city could start agreements to get the property into private hands for development and rehabilitation.

Barker Financial, who has been integral in getting other historical properties refurbished and turned into rental and retail spaces in downtown Fort Madison, has expressed an interest in the building.

Mohrfeld said he isn't overly concerned about additional damage to the

building.

"I've been in that building, and there is a portion of that building that is stressed. But, really, 95% of that in there looks great. Five years ago this would have been an easy mitigation."

O'Connell said Monday, the document was ready to go and was expected to be filed on Tuesday.

"We had to wait for the building to be abandoned for six months and we just reached that milestone so we should be free to file now," O'Connell said at Monday's Fort Madison City Council meeting.

He said it usually takes 8 to 10 weeks for the court schedule to find the three hours that is usually set aside for those types of hearings to give any ownership party a chance to appear for the hearing.

"If they don't show up, the court will probably enter an order providing ownership to the city and any other private interest in the building would be extinguished," O'Connell said. "Often they don't because in those situations they've walked away from it. The city can then turn and do whatever it needs to do."

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

FRED L. EID

Fred Leo Eid began his journey to meet his savior October 31, 2021, 11:25 p.m. at his home, surrounded by love. Born September 9, 1929, to Bertha Denning Eid & Leo Eid in Nauvoo, IL.



EID

Graduated valedictorian of his class at St. Joseph High School, instead of going on to college he went to work several jobs to help support his siblings. He married the love of his life, Retta Brown, on July 24, 1950, in Edgefield, SC. He shipped out the next day to serve in the Army during the Korean Conflict. She preceded him in death November 3, 1998, after 48 years of marriage.



He worked for City View & Peterson Dairy, Coal Company, Orscheln Truck Line, and other truck lines before retiring from CCC Truck Line. He was a lifetime member and one of the founding members of the Izaak Walton Club, serving in many capacities, including president, board member & manager. He was a past member of the AMVETS, and member of the Teamsters Union #218.

He enjoyed hunting and was out every season until he lost his sight to Macular Degeneration. The deer in the driveway the evening you started your journey to heaven was our "sign" and the big deer in the funeral parking lot as you made your way there letting us know that your best hunting season was yet to come. He was an avid St. Louis Cardinals & Iowa Hawkeyes fan; he enjoyed going to the games and watching and listening to them on TV. He passionately believed women should stay home and raise their children, so they never had to come home from school, a date, or work to an empty house. Sometimes he had to work three jobs so this could happen. His eight children were raised by a great woman and were raised to mind your own manners and be respectful, he would not tolerate disrespect, especially towards their mother! He was a family-oriented person. Everyone was family, not step, not half, non-related, but family. He would do whatever it took to help anyone in need and did so many times. This trait he passed on to his family. Do not ever buy or give him a gift that was not made in America.

Fred is survived by his eight children: Karen (Gary) Turnbull, David (Jeannie) Eid, Debra Eid, Kenneth (Rosie) Eid, Kathy (Jerry) Geissler, Donna (Ron) Lippy, Linda (Jeff) Woelfel and Vickie Smith; 21-grandchildren: Mike (Theresa) Lowary, Kimberly Eid, Michele Lozano, Dan (Margaret) Hermes, Robert Ferris, Jill Hermes, Shaun (Amber) Turnbull, Alicia (Ty) Ebel, Shana (Ron) Sanders, Mike (Amanda) Stice, Matt Stice, Danielle Smith, Mike (Mandi) Eid, Tyler Smith, Jonathan (Kym) Lippy, Jason Woelfel, Meagan (Nathan) Surgenor, Ryan Geissler, Crystal Sturm & Nicholas Geissler; 37-great grandchildren; 5-great great grandchildren; friend, Julia Saunders; brothers: John Eid, Frank (Pat) Eid & Walt (Marsha) Eid; sisters: Leora (Chuck) Holland, Norene Eid, Sherri (Milton) Salladay; sister in law: Sheryl Eid; several nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by: his parents, his wife, 1-grandson: Raymond Eid, 2-son in laws: Jeff Woelfel & Roy Smith, 1-daughter in law: Ruthie Eid, 2-brothers: Ervin (Elsie) Eid & William Eid and 1-sister: Barb (Gary) Kempker.

Friends may call after 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 with the family to receive friends from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Michael Stice officiating. Burial will be held at Soldiers' Circle in Oakland Cemetery. A memorial has been established for Lee County Hospice or the St. Louis Shriner's Hospital. Online condolences may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

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JAMES R. AILES, SR.

James Robert Ailes, Sr., 84, of Keokuk, passed away on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at his home in Keokuk.



AILES, SR.

James was born on May 12, 1937, to Mel Ailes, Sr. and Carrie Bell Cain Ailes in Hazelhurst, Mississippi. He was the youngest of eight children, and became the longest-living family member in family history.

James left Mississippi and moved to North Carolina where he worked with his brother MC in his trucking business. He left North Carolina and headed to Omaha, Nebraska, in 1959. While in Nebraska he started working for Armour Dial and married his first wife Flora Demiers. They had three children: James R. Ailes, Jr., Carolyn D. Ailes, and Beverly D. Ailes, and raised one together, Larry D. Ailes.

While in Omaha, James was an active member of the Morning Star Baptist Church, where he served as an usher. In 1978, James moved to Keokuk, Iowa, to continue working for Armour Dial. He retired after forty years. James soon met and married the love of his life Norma (Galbreath) Ailes.

He joined church at a young age at Chapel Hill in Mississippi, and while living in Keokuk, he became very active in several churches. He became a loyal member of Faith Family Church, where he remained until his passing.

James loved walking in the mall. He was a very active Keokuk fan and enjoyed watching his daughter Beverly participate in sports from the time she started until she graduated high school. He enjoyed watching and cheering on kids whether he knew them or not. He cheered all of them on until they graduated too. In October of 1997, James was awarded a Lifetime Membership Award by the Football Boosters. He also loved to catch and eat fish.

James is preceded in death by his parents, seven siblings, his wife Norma, his grandson Tristian and his children James, Jr. and Carolyn Ailes, as well as his best friend Bebe.

James is survived by his youngest child Beverly Ailes; his daughter-in-law Roxanne Ailes; the child he raised, Larry Ailes; his step-children: Cheryl J. McCrary, Staphanie Baker, Paul R. Galbreath, Wallace N. Galbreath, Krystal E. Owens, Daniel E. Galbreath and Lillian F. Galbreath; his grandchildren: Christopher, Christal, Yamia, Miricle, Clarissa, Sidale, Jerome, Keyada, James, III, Ja-Ceyha, Tia, Stephanie and Charey; his great-grandchildren: Damia, Ayanna, Nezair and Jordayn; and many more grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his good friends Richard Bell, Lillian Clark and Herb Martin.

James' life will be celebrated with a memorial service at 3 pm on Saturday, November 6, 2021, at DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home in Keokuk. Visitation will be held at the funeral home from 2 to 3 pm.

Memorials may be directed to the family of James Ailes.

Tributes and condolences may be left at www.dejongsfuneralhome.com.

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State Volleyball

Crusaders tangle with No. 1 Nikes Wednesday night

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sister play here and was a reserve on the 2019 team for the Crusaders. "For a lot of us, it was a new environment."

Janesville is another perennial state tournament qualifier — this was the Wildcats' 12th consecutive appearance — and Freesmeier knew this wouldn't be easy.

"They're not going to give in," she said. "They've been here, done that."

But when it was 7-7 in the fifth set, the match suddenly belonged to the Crusaders.

Kayla Box had a block, Kassi Randolph had a kill, and then Box had another block.

"When we needed it there, we got the job done," Freesmeier said. "At the end of the day, we got the job done."

"We really started to play our game," said junior Brooke Mueller, who had 13 kills, three in the final 5-0 run that ended the match.

"We finally came together in that fifth game," Natalie Randolph said.

It was all about endurance.

"I was really exhausted," said Kassi Randolph, who had ice packs on her neck during timeouts late in the match. "But this means everything."

"I think we have the drive, the stamina, to stay up with other teams," Mueller said. "Even when we're down and struggling, we'll fight back."

The Crusaders' nerves showed early as Janesville won the first game. Holy Trinity came up with enough plays to win the next two games, then the Wildcats fought off a late run to win the fourth.



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Holy Trinity Catholic Head Coach Melissa Freesmeier gets into the winners' huddle after the Crusaders won a five-set tiebreaker to oust Janesville Tuesday night in Class 1A IHGSAU state volleyball action..

"We (settled in) at times. And then we didn't at times," Freesmeier said.

"I think we had some jitters in the opening game," Kassi Randolph said. "After that, we were ready to play. Now the Crusaders are comfortable, still alive, and have the chance to face a rival. Not a bad opening act."

"We just like to give the fans what they want," Freesmeier said.

KILLS Natalie Randolph 13, Brooke Mueller 13, Natalie Randolph 11, Mary Kate Bendlage 9, Kayla Box 5, Reagan Holvoet 1. **ASSISTS** Kassi Randolph 21, Natalie Randolph 14, Anna Sobczak 7, Mary Kate Bendlage 3, Brooke Mueller 2, Kayla Box 1. **DIGS** Anna Sobczak 31, Mary Kate Bendlage 18, Natalie Randolph 14, Kassi Randolph 13, Teagan Snaadt 10, Brooke Mueller 6, Kayla Box 4, Teagan Denning 3, Alexa Dingman 2, Reagan Holvoet 1. **BLOCKS** Kayla Box 3, Reagan Holvoet 1, Brooke Mueller 1.



Holy Trinity's Mary Kate Bendlage attacks in the fourth set of the Crusaders' 5-set win over Janesville Tuesday in Cedar Rapids.

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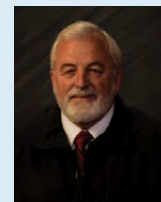
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PUBLIC NOTICE
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2. Review Township information and work on budget for FY23

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AGENDA

NOTICE TO THE

PUBLIC: The Mayor and City Council welcome comments from the public during discussion. If you wish to speak, please step up to the Council table, state your name and address for the record and limit the time used to present your remarks to five minutes in order that others may be given the opportunity to speak. The normal process on any particular agenda item is that the motion is placed on the floor, input is received from the audience, the Council is given an opportunity to comment on the issue or respond to the audience concerns, and the vote is taken. On ordinances, there is time provided for public input at the time of the first reading. In consideration of all, if you have a cell phone, please turn it off or

put it on silent ring.
CALL TO ORDER.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
 1. Approve Agenda as written.
 2. Approve October 7, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted.
 3. Approve October 2021 Treasurer's Report as presented.
PUBLIC FORUM:
 This is a time set aside for comments from the public on topics of City business other than those listed on this agenda. Please understand that the Council is not likely to take any action on your comments at this meeting due to requirements of the Open Meetings Law, but may do so at a future meetings. The Mayor and City Council welcome comments from the public; however, at

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Registered Nurse Hospice & Homecare

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- Perform multi-discipline maintenance and/or electrical work. Maintain equipment documentation for all equipment and revise per modifications.

What you'll need to be successful:

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- PLC technician /Electrical educational courses
- 5 to 7 years in electrical maintenance field preferably in a manufacturing setting
- In depth mechanical/electrical aptitude, schematic reading/interpretation

Maintenance Mechanic

Some things you'll do in this role:

- Troubleshoots production machinery and equipment for electrical and mechanical malfunctions. Assists in the teardown and rebuild of machines.
- Performs scheduled preventive maintenance tasks and periodic inspections on production machinery and equipment. Lubricates and cleans parts. Adjusts devices positions and controls.
- Troubleshoots mechanical failures. Repairs or places defective parts. Dismantles devices to gain access to and remove defective parts. Installs parts into devices. Starts devices to determine their performance.

What you'll need to be successful:

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- 3-5 years maintenance experience in a manufacturing environment.
- Must have basic computer skills, hydraulics and pneumatics aptitude.
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EMPLOYEE COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Public Safety, General Government & Enterprise, Culture & Recreation, Public Works, Economic & Community Development.

OLD BUSINESS:
1. Discuss and consider how to allocate \$5,583.00 after Water Debt Service Payoff.
2. Discuss and consider the Water Street Bridge

low bid from Iowa Bridge & Culvert at \$489,642.30.

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Jeff Uhlmeier, President Montrose Youth Activity – speaking to Council about their projects.
2. Approve Payment of Claims.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

ADJOURNMENT:
*Please note that this agenda may be changed up to 24 hours before the meeting time as provided by Section 21,4(2). Code of Iowa.

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LEE COUNTY SECONDARY ROADS HELP WANTED MECHANIC CLASS I

Lee County is currently accepting applications for a Mechanic Class I to work out of our Central Shop near Donnellson, IA. The successful applicant will perform skilled mechanical work in the maintenance and repair of vehicles, and construction and maintenance equipment and all related mechanical equipment including but not limited to performing: diagnostics; electrical repairs; gas welding and cutting; arc and mig welding; and work on hydraulic components. Maintains records of all parts and tools used in repair and assist in inventory of parts and equipment. Requires a high school graduate or G.E.D. equivalent and must possess a valid Class A commercial driver's license with air brake and tanker endorsements.

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Business News/From the Front

Alliant looking to increase solar power generation

CEDAR RAPID – Today, in a filing with the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB), Alliant Energy (NASDAQ: LNT) announces plans for adding the first portion of its planned 400 megawatts (MW) of solar energy generation in Iowa. In the filing, Alliant Energy details its intent to acquire 200 MW of solar energy and 75 MW of battery energy storage from Phase I and II of the Duane Arnold Solar Project that will be developed by wholly owned, indirect subsidiaries of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC in Linn County.

Once operational, Alliant Energy will own and operate both projects. Today's announcement is the first major milestone for Alliant Energy in executing its Clean Energy Blueprint in Iowa. Once operational, expected by year-end 2024, the project positions Alliant Energy as the largest combined solar and battery storage operator in the state.

Pairing battery storage with solar cost-effectively meets customer demand and ensures safe and reliable service for customers. The combination also contributes to a healthier environment and serves as a local economic catalyst as the company continues accelerating its transition to delivering cleaner, more renewable energy for customers and the communities Alliant Energy serves.

"It's part of our purpose-driven strategy of serving customers and building stronger communities," said Terry Kouba, president of Alliant Energy's Iowa energy company. "Our plan also keeps customer affordability at the forefront. We are excited to transition land from the decommissioned nuclear facility into the largest solar and battery storage facility in Iowa."

The development and construction of the 200 MW of solar energy and 75 MW of battery storage at the Duane Arnold Solar Project will create up to 200 new construction jobs. According to an economic impact study conducted by Strategic Economic Research, the two projects will have a projected combined positive economic output of up to \$260 million on the state of Iowa (including up to \$154 million in Linn County). That includes the cumulative ripple effects of new jobs, wages, tax revenue and other economic activity during construction and through the life of the projects.

The projects also repurpose a portion of the land and infrastructure at the former Duane Arnold nuclear energy facility. The existing transmission infrastructure already on the site is expected to be used.

"This is good for our customers, the communities we serve and the environment while powering tens of thousands of homes with solar energy," said Mayuri Farlinger, director of operations at Alliant Energy. "In addition, these projects assure our customers we have a diverse mix of reliable energy generation to meet their ongoing demands."

The company expects to outline plans for the remaining 200 MW of solar generation in Iowa at a future date. Once all the new projects are operational, combined with Alliant Energy's existing 1,300 MW of wind generation in Iowa, nearly 50% of the company's total resource mix in the state will be from renewable resources. Alliant Energy, the third largest owner-operator of regulated wind energy in the nation, is on pace to reach this milestone by 2025.

Volunteers needed to help with community dinner

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on Thanksgiving Day. Carry out meals can be picked up at the Eagles Club between 12 – 2 pm.

All meals will need to be ordered ahead of time by calling the Thanksgiving Hotline at 319-318-2245 beginning November 8th until November 22nd.

This year's meal will consist of turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, a dinner roll, and a cookie.

"Because we're doing it a little different this year, we'll need more delivery drivers and a limited number of volunteers for prep work and serving" said Chamber Coordinator Savanna Collier.

If you'd like to volunteer, please call the Hotline at 319-318-2245 to sign-up. The committee appreciates the efforts of the greater Fort Madison businesses and volunteers that help make this free event happen. They especially would like to thank the Eagles Club for the use of their space and the Iowa State Penitentiary for their help in the preparation of the food.

It is the goal of the group to see that no one is overlooked this Thanksgiving, so getting the word out to community members in need and to those who may not have a family to share a holiday meal with this is of utmost importance.

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Submissions are due by the end of the day Tuesday, November 9th.

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