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Mary Kate Bendlage (13) and Brooke Mueller (23) deflect an attack from Notre Dame's Abby Korschgen (31) in the second set of Monday's Class 1A Region 8 semifinal in Fort Madison. Burlington would eliminate Holy Trinity 15-12 in a fifth-set tiebreaker after the Crusaders trailed 2 sets to 0. See John Bohnenkamp's recap on page 4 of today's edition.

BROADBAND: Empower Rural Iowa efforts lead to additional \$5 million in grants

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RELIEF PROGRAM State offers COVID funds to county fairs

DES MOINES - Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds and the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) today announced the launch of the new Iowa County Fairs Relief Program. The program will provide short-term relief to eligible county and district fairs for the purpose of continuing or resuming operations in the context of the public health emergency.

"Every single year, Iowans who attend their local county fair get to see, taste, and experience the positive impact Iowa agriculture has on our communities," said Gov. Reynolds. "The economic and social impact is immeasurable



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and it's critical they have our support to continue operations in preparation for next year."

The state has allocated up to \$6 million of federal CARES Act funds for the Iowa County Fairs Relief Program. This statewide program, an extension of the Small Business Relief Grant program, is offered through the IEDA in collaboration with the Association of Iowa Fairs (AIF). There are three funding levels: \$25,000, \$50,000, and \$75,000. Award amounts will be determined based on demonstrated revenue loss for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year.

To be eligible for a grant, the applicant must demonstrate that it:

Is a "Fair" as defined at Iowa Code section 174.1.

Has continuously held membership in the AIF since at least March 17, 2020. Conducted a "fair event" as defined at Iowa Code section 174.1 ("Fair Event") in Iowa in Calendar Year 2019. Held a Fair Event after March 17, 2020 but was subject to limitations or restrictions described in a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency issued by Governor Reynolds on or after March 9, 2020 or it canceled a Fair Event scheduled to be held

State opens up new round of rural Internet funding

DES MOINES, Iowa — Gov. Reynolds announced today a new round of grants to expand broadband access. The \$5 million dollars in additional broadband grants is the latest in a series of Empower Rural Iowa Broadband Grants to give more Iowans access to critical broadband infrastructure.

"The future economy and quality of

life in rural Iowa depend on every Iowa home, business and farm having highspeed Internet access," said Gov. Reynolds. "This year alone we have been able to invest nearly \$200 million dollars in private and public funds for broadband infrastructure. By leveraging state, federal, and private resources, we will continue to open the door for greater innovation

and opportunity in all parts of Iowa." Gov. Reynolds added that COVID-19 underscored the urgency of connecting underserved and unserved areas to the information superhighway to support online learning, telehealth and working from home.

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Fort Madison **Police Report**

10/22/20 - 10:23 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Ashley Franklin, 35, of Farmington, in the 5000 block of Avenue O, on a charge of driving under suspension. 10/23/20 - 12:53 a.m. -Fort Madison Police cited Jayne Thomesa Jenkins, 34, of Fort Madison, in the 3000 block of Avenue N. on warrants for failure to appear and contempt. He was taken to Lee County Jail. 10/23/20 – 6:38 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1400 block of Avenue F. 10/23/20 - 11:59 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1400 block of 38th Street. 10/23/20 - 12:02 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 3800 block of Avenue O. 10/23/20 - 12:10 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 600 block of 5th Street. 10/23/20 – 3:20 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2800 block of Avenue A. 10/23/20 - 10:55 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in he 2700 block of Avenue L. 10/25/20 - 8:21 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Tarl Ridens, 34, of Keokuk, in the 2800 block of Avenue L, on a charge of driving while suspended.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

10/22/20 - 5:08 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Nathaniel John Mortimer, 41, of Keokuk, at the Des Moines County line on a warrant for probation violation. He was taken to Lee County Jail. 10/23/20 - 2:11 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a one-vehicle accident on Hwy. 27 near mile marker 1. According to the report, Emilia Trejo Cante, reported falling asleep and crossed the center line and entered the eastbound shoulder, headed south. She overcorrected and crossed back over the southbound lanes entered the west ditch and overturned. There were six occupants in the vehicle and no notable injuries were reported. No citations were reported at the scene. 10/23/20 - 10:57 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Goeffrey Lee Francis, 31, of Keokuk, in the 800 block of Johnson Street Road, on a charge of interfering with a judicial process. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

10/23/20 – 2:51 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Talyn Brian Fesler, 36, of Quincy, at the sheriff's office on warrants for forgery and identity theft less than \$1,000. He was taken to Lee County Jail. 10/24/20 - 3:07 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Ronald James Wynn, 59, of Burlington, on Hwy. 61 near Montrose on a charge of OWI-1st offense. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released on a promise to appear.

Hancock County Sheriff's Report

10/19/20 - Kaleb R Meierotto, age 21, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Methamphetamine, and Unlawful Use of a Weapon. Meierotto was released on his own recognizance and given a future court date. 10/19/20 - Carissa S Jaber, age 36, of Dallas City, IL was arrested and charged with Obstructing Justice. Jaber was released on her own recognizance and given a future court date. 10/19/20 - Dyllan J Grow, age 20, of Hamilton, IL was arrested on a Lee County, IA Warrant charging him with Sexual Abuse. Grow was released to Lee County Iowa Authorities. 10/19/20 - Kaliegh J Hale, age 25, of Keokuk, IA was arrested on Hancock County Warrant charging her with Failure to Appear / Failure to Pay on original charges of Driving While License Suspended. Hale was arrested on a second Hancock County Warrant charging her with Petition to Revoke on original charges of Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine. Hale was released and given a future court date. 10/19/20 - Lenny E Cleveland, age 25, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Driving Under the Influence, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Possession of Cannabis. Cleveland was released on his own recognizance and given a future court date. 10/20/20 - Stacy L Lunt, age 44, of Hamilton, IL was arrested and charged with Possession of a Firearm, Reckless Discharge of Firearm, Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of a Controlled Substance. Lunt was released on his own recognizance and given a future court date. 10/20/20 - Brandon L Bough, age 27, of Basco, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure to Appear on original

charges of Driving Under the Influence and Illegal Operation of ATV on Roadway. Bough was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date. 10/21/20 - Michael L Theulen, age 60, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Driving Under the Influence. Theulen was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date. 10/22/20 - Julia R Shelton, age 34, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Violation of Bail Bond. Shelton remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting her next court appearance. 10/22/20 - Johnny T Krachik, age 54, Hamilton, IL was arrested and charged with No Valid Registration and Driving While License Revoked. Krachik was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date. 10/23/20 - Holly R Lewis, age 43, of Warsaw, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging her with Failure to Appear/ Failure to Pay on original charges of Criminal Trespass to Real Property. Lewis remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting her next court appearance. 10/23/20 - Johnathan G Hadaway, age 33, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with No Valid Driver's License. Hadaway was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date. 10/23/20 - Daniel S Treadwell, age 31, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended. Treadwell was also arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure to Appear/ Failure to Pay on original charges of Domestic Battery and Burglary. Treadwell was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date. 10/25/20 - Andrana F Starks, age 37, of West Point, IL was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Starks remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting her next court appearance.

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Fort Madison Fire & **Rescue Report**

10/23/20 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call. 10/24/20 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls. 10/25/20 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls and two false alarms.

Obituaries

OBITUARIES

DOLORES H. GENCK

Dolores H. Genck, 89, of Donnellson IA, passed away on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 8:20 AM at her home.



She was born on September 5, 1931 in rural Donnellson to Everett and Vera Reagan Shepperd. On April 30, 1949 she married John M. Genck in Ft. Madison and he passed away on November 28, 2013. Dolores worked at several places including the Anthes hotel, Sylvania, Armour Dial and Garners. Dolores

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enjoyed playing bingo and loved animals.

Survivors include one daughter, Karen (Ben) Anderson of Donnellson; six grandchildren, Tom (Kelli Touch) Burch, Jason Burch, Thad (Kim) Sommers, Suzie (John) Roark, Billie McKeown and Jesse (Jessica) Genck; eighteen great grandchildren and seven great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and a son, Stephen.

The memorial service will be held on Friday, October 30, 2020 at 11 AM at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Rev. Dean Graber officiating. The family will meet with friends from 10 AM until the time of the service. Burial will be in Oakland Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for St. Jude Children's Hospital or Shriner's hospital and online condolences may be left at <u>www.kinglynk.com</u>.

Pen City Current obituary policy

The Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes.



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AMY M. SWINDERMAN

Amy Michelle Swinderman, 32 of Hamilton, IL died Saturday, October 24, 2020 in Nauvoo, IL due to an accident.



She was born September 5, 1988 in Akron, OH the daughter of Robert Sr. and Carolyn Jarvis Feagain.

Amy graduated from Hamilton High School, in Hamilton, IL with the Class of 2007. She later attended Southeastern Community College in Keokuk and John Wood Community College in Quincy, IL.

On May 16, 2015 she was united in marriage to Josh

Swinderman in Ft. Madison, IA. He survives. She is also survived by three daughters, Aubree Karle, Kellie Karle and Baylor Swinderman all of Hamilton, IL, her parents, her siblings, Angel Kraft (Josh) of Dallas City, IL, Robert Jr. "Bobby" Feagain (Billie) of Athens, AL, Jennifer Coffman (George) of Hamilton, IL, Jon Feagain (Heather) of Sugarland, TX, Aaron Feagain (Carrie Steele) of Hamilton, IL and Marilyn York (Wayne) of Nauvoo, IL, in-laws, Debbie Jinkens (Rick) of Keokuk, father-inlaw, Dave Swinderman (Karen) of Keokuk, brothers and sisters-in-law, Shannon Jinkens (Tasha) of Wayland, MO, Justin Swinderman (Samantha) of Ft. Madison, IA, Ricky Jinkens (Nisha) of S.C., Chrissy Englund (Matt) Jeremy Hamelton and Elizabeth Anderson (Seth) all of Keokuk and Meagan Walton (Rodney) of Wayland, MO and many nieces and nephews. Other survivors include Aubree and Kellie's grandfather, Richard Karle of Warsaw, IL, their aunt, Jennifer (Chad) Flynn of Warsaw, and their father, Jordan Karle.

She was preceded in death by one brother in infancy, Adam Feagain, Aubree and Kellie's grandmother, Becky Karle and their uncle, Justin Karle.

Amy had been employed by the Hamilton School District as an Administration Assistant to the Superintendent since July of 2020. Prior to working for Hamilton School District, she was a billing specialist at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Amy was a card shark and always enjoyed a good game of Phase 10, Go Fish and Euchre. She was a wonderful cook and made delicious cheesecakes and brownies that her family loved. It was rumored that her snickerdoodle cheesecake was one of the best in the area. She was very family oriented and loved sitting around a campfire visiting and sipping a glass of wine. Amy made her family the number one priority in her life. She enjoyed attending all of their activities and sporting events they were involved in. Amy was not only a hero in her family's eyes, but she was also a hero at the accident she was involved in by saving at least three other lives and sacrificing her own.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, at New Testament Christian Church in Keokuk with Pastor Mark Hanson officiating. Burial will be in the Oakwood Cemetery in Hamilton, IL.

Visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m., Thursday, at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with the family meeting with friends at that time.

The funeral will be live-streamed on the New Testament Christian Church Facebook page or the Vigen Memorial Home Facebook page at 11 a.m., Friday. Social distancing requirements will be in place and masks are strongly encouraged.

Memorials may be made to the family, for the children's education fund. Online condolences may be sent to the family at <u>www.vigenmemorialhome.com</u>.

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Sports

Momentum runs out as HTC falls to Nikes in tiebreaker

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP PCC Sports

FORT MADISON - The end could have come quickly, quietly.

Instead, it was a noisy, frantic comeback that fell short.

Holy Trinity's 10-year streak of making it to the state volleyball tournament ended on Monday night on the swings and blocks from an SEI Superconference South Division rival that has known all too well of what the Crusaders have done in the past.

Notre Dame's 25-16, 25-14, 22-25, 23-25, 15-12 win in the Class 1A regional semifinal at Shottenkirk Gymnasium ended what Mike Davis called "the Holy Trinity curse," that feeling teams got in the postseason when they ran into the Crusaders somewhere along the bracket.

Not that Davis, who shares head-coaching duties with Susan Reid, has had much experience with it.

"I tell you what — me and Susan, and there's a couple of players who haven't been here, we don't know about this Holy Trinity curse," Davis said. "I guess it's out there. You could see in some of the returning players from last year, it started to creep in (during the third and fourth games).

"We told them, 'We're a good team. They're a good team. Let's just prove on the floor that we're the better team.' And I believe we did."

The Nikes (16-5), ranked 14th in Class 1A, will play another South Division team, WACO (26-7), in Wednesday's regional final at Mount Pleasant, with the winner going to the state tournament.

Holy Trinity, ranked No. 8, ended its season at 26-10, two victories away from another journey to the state tournament in Cedar Rapids.

"We started off slow in Games 1 and 2, and then we fought hard in 3 and 4, and we fought hard in 5," Crusaders coach Melissa Freesmeier said.

She paused.

"Some things," Freesmeier said, "didn't go our way."

Holy Trinity was dominated early by the Nikes' power up front. Gabby Deery's kill to open the match set an early tone, as eight of Notre Dame's first 11 points came on kills.

The Crusaders' offensive attack was too quiet.

"We gave too many free balls," Freesmeier said. "We let them run their offense. And we knew



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Holy Trinity's Kassi Randolph (2) attacks against the Notre Dame front of Katy Stephens (16) and Gabby Deery (8) in the first set of their season-ending five-set loss to the Nikes Monday night in Fort Madison.

if they ran their offense, they would be good."

The Nikes had plenty of options. Deery, Katy Stephens, Josie Bentz and Abby Korschgen all had kills in those first two games.

"We're so balanced, from one to six out there, we can spread it around," Davis said. "If we spread it around, good things are going to happen."

It could have easily been a sweep for the Nikes, who led 8-2 to start the third game. But Holy Trinity took advantage of an error by the Nikes to score six of the next seven points, two on aces from Claire Pothitakis and three on kills from Brooke Mueller, Mary Kate Bendlage and Kassi Randolph.

"In Game 3, we had a nice little lead," Davis said. "We go back there, shank a pass, point for Holy Trinity. Next thing you know they're back in it at (8-6). You give them a spark, give them an inch, and they'll be there the whole night. You cannot give these guys anything."

"It was like, 'Hey, we

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worked on this. You know what they're going to do. Now let's get some hands in the face. Let's go after them," Freesmeier said. "You have to go after them, stay aggressive.

"We just had to settle in. It took them a while. But it was pure grit after that. Our kids did what we had been working on."

Holy Trinity took its first lead of the night at 15-14 on a kill by Pothitakis, and then the Crusaders closed out the game.

That momentum carried into the fourth game, when Holy Trinity built an 18-10 lead. But the Nikes worked their way into a 22-all tie, coming up with three consecutive blocks on Pothitakis kill attempts. Holy Trinity would win the game on a Mueller block, but Notre Dame felt good about the finish.

"Holy Trinity, in Game 3, they started swinging lights out," Davis said. "They were getting a lot of points off our blocks, and in the holes in our defense. I think we adjusted a little bit, started lining it up a little better, and started getting stuff blocks. Once you start stuff-blocking them, they've got to think about it a little more."

Notre Dame's defense controlled the net in the fifth game. The Nikes trailed 9-5 before a fivepoint run that included two blocks from Stephens, one from Deery and one from Jenna Bentz.

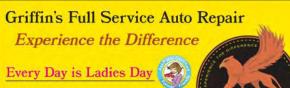
Josie Bentz closed the night with a tip for a point, and then back-toback kills.

The Crusaders' run was over.

Holy Trinity loses five seniors — Pothitakis, Maria Rauenbuehler, Taylor Crabtree, Katie Denning and Bailey Hellweg.

"It hurts every year when you don't get (to the state tournament)," Freesmeier said. "Of course you feel bad for your seniors. They don't get another chance. The young kids can learn and move on. But the seniors don't.

"It's still been a good year, even though we don't get to where we want, that we're a few points away. We'll just have to regroup, and come back next year."



FMCH Pediatrics Welcomes Dr. Bryan Blacker



Fort Madison Community Hospital is pleased to welcome Dr. Bryan Blacker. Dr. Blacker is a Board eligible Pediatrician and will join the FMCH Pediatric Clinic on Monday, August 3, 2020.

"I love to watch my patients grow, learn and change from year to year. The most rewarding part of my day is empowering and educating parents. Most parents work hard to be the best they can and do the right thing for their children. My job is to help give them the tools and knowledge to keep their kids healthy." – Dr. Bryan Blacker Dr. Blacker is coming to FMCH after completing his Pediatric Residency at the University of South Dakota. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Nutritional Sciences from Brigham Young University and his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University Of New Mexico School Of Medicine.

Pediatricians specialize in the health care of children from preventive to diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic diseases. They collaborate with the child's parent or guardian to deal with the physical, emotional and social development of their children.

Dr. Blacker will see patients from newborn through the teenage years in the clinic along with Dr. Kolleen Burnett, Dr. Libby Balbort, Dr. Greg Gorski and Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Susan Holtkamp.



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PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON **CITY COUNCIL** 10/20/2020

The Fort Madison City Council met in adjourned session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, October 20, 2020, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Bowker, Rink, Andrews, Lair, and Cangas present.

This meeting was held with Council, staff and some members of the public present but also electronically (pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8) due to social distancing issues because of COVID-19.

On motion, Council approved the agenda. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 10/6/2020; Claims dated 10/15/2020; Library Claims dated 10/15/2020, October 9 Payroll and Liquor License Renewal: Aldi, Inc., 927 Avenue G, effective 11/4/2020.

A motion to rescind Resolutions No. 2020-57 and 2020-58 and serving as the City Council's intent to fill the 2nd and 3rd Ward Council vacancies by special election at a date to be determined by the Lee County Auditor's Commissioner of Elections failed. On motion, Council adopted resolution No. 2020-61, pursuant to Fort Madison Code 1-7-6, authorizing the Mayor to sign all City employee repayment agreements on behalf of the City.

On motion, Council accepted the Mayor's reappointment of Charles Block to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals, term expiring 9/30/2024. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on the following Change Orders: Change Order #4, PIP 2018-04, Reconstruction of Old Hwy. 61 Project, 2nd to 6th Street, Change Order #2, PIP 2019-07, Santa Fe Depot Passenger Rail Platform Project and Change Order #2, PIP 2020-01, Parking Lot Reconstruction and Stormwater Improvements.

Council discussed an amendment to Title 9, Traffic, Chapter 7, Stopping, Standing, Parking, Section 6, Parking Prohibited, so as to restrict parking on the south side of Avenue E from 2nd to 24th Street.

At 7:20 P.M., the meeting adjourned until November 2, 2020, at

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5:30 P.M. /s/ Matt J. I Mayor	Mohrfeld,	ATTEST: Blind, City (/s/ Melinda L. Clerk
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Sealed bids will be received by the lowa Department of Natural Resources by email, at procurement@dnr.iowa. gov until 11:00 am, November 12, 2020 for the public improvement projects listed below, at which time they will be opened publicly. In an effort to mitigate the spread and effects of the COVID-19, the Department of Natural Resources will ONLY be accepting proposals submitted via email for these projects. No bids shall be accepted by FAX, mail or hand-delivery. After the bid opening, information concerning bid results may be obtained by visiting the Department's

will not begin until 11:15 am to allow staff ample time to print bids before reading them aloud.

Project documents, including drawings, specifications, proposal forms, and addenda items for the project are available at Beeline and Blue, at 2507 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines IA 50312. Please visit www.beelineandblue.com or contact (515) 244-1611 for more information. Alternatively, Bid Documents can be viewed or printed online at https:// programs.iowadnr.gov/ engreal/projectlist.asp

The Department shall comply with all public improvement procurement laws, as outlined in the plans and specifications and including but not limited to: Iowa Code chapter 26 related to public construction bidding; Iowa Code chapter 73 related to preferences; lowa Code chapter 573 related to labor and materials on public improvements; rules promulgated by the Department of Administrative Services - General Services Enterprise as they may apply; rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources and the Natural Resources Commission, as they may apply; and any federal statutes, rules and/or executive orders that may be associated depending on funding sources. Bidders shall comply with these laws to be considered and are encouraged to be familiar with public improvement procurement requirements and the bidding documents before submitting a bid.

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Lake Manawa State Park

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DICKINSON COUNTY PROJECT NO. 21-01-30-05

Spirit Lake Fish Hatchery

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02/28/2022 Bid Letting Date: 11/12/2020

Project Description: The project will install a

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DICKINSON COUNTY PROJECT NO. 20-01-30-14

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Sylvia is joined at home by Stella and Sophia Meller.

Grandparents are Richard and Diane Jennings of West Point; Lee Meller of Fort Madison, and Glen and Sue Meller of Fort Madison.

Great-grandparent is Mert Peitz of West Point.

PEZLEY

MONTROSE – Katelyn and Travis Pezley, of Montrose, are proud to announce the birth of their son Hudson Otto Pezley on Sept. 23, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Hudson is joined at home by Liz, Holden and Heath.

Grandparents are Jim and Jayne Pezley of Argyle, Pat and Patty Rooney of Donnellson and Crystal Kaufman of West Point.

Great-grandparents are Mary Pezley or Argyle and Bonnie Whalen of Eldora.

LOTEGELUAKI

BURLINGTON – Wendy Lotegeluaki and Lotegeluaki Lengai, of Burlington, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Naisujaki Raeli Ene Lotegeluaki on Sept. 17, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Naisujaki is joined at home by Narisio, Nenyorata, Lomayiani, Sion, Lengilang'et, and Nashiphai.

Grandparents are Marcia Lance of Wayland, Mo.; and Christina Lukumay of Arush, Tanzania.

WHEATLEY

FORT MADISON – Andrea and Uriah Wheatley, of Fort Madison, are proud to announce the birth of their son Ezekiel James Wheatley on Oct. 17, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital

Grandparents are Rick and Lori Wheatley of Argyle, Jerry and Kelly Hackett of Donnellson; and John (deceased) and Tammy Hopp of Donnellson.

VERMAZAN

FORT MADISON – Cheyanne Davis and Koltyn Vermazen, of Fort Madison, are proud to announce the birth of their son Parker Ray Vermazen, on Oct. 10, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Parker is joined at home by James Flores. Grandparents are Brandy Snider of Fort Madison; Alan Vincent of Fort Madison; Carey and Kory Vermazen of Burlington; and Tommy and Brenda Davis of Fort Madison. Great-grandparents are Kim and Robert Shirts of Fort Madison.

BENNETT

WAYLAND, Mo. – Kodi Bennett and Ryan Bennett, of Wayland, Mo., are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Karson Ryder Bennett on Oct. 8, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Grandparents are Jeff and Lisa Swindler of Clarinda; and Angie Sweet of Wayland, Mo.

MOYERS-BOAL

FORT MADISON – Brandi Moyers and Gage Boal, of Fort Madison, are proud to announce the birth of their son Corvin Richard Moyers-Boal, on Oct. 6, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Grandparents are Sue and William Moyers of Fort Madison; Tasha Whalen of Burlington; and Mitchell Boal of Burlington.

Great-grandparents are Ann and John Keeven; Ramona and Clifford Moyers of Burlington; and Michael Boal.

ANDERSON

FARMINGTON – Alexis Barsten and Bret Anderson of Farmington, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Rozalie Kae Anderson on Oct. 5, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Rozalie is joined at home by Jacklynn Woodsmall. Grandparents are Bradley and April Dickenson of Burlington; Jason Anderson of Burlington; Jacklyn Lieb (Skelton) (deceased) of Burlington; and Scott Barsten of Pueblo, Colo.

Great-grandparents are Leona and Joe Skelton of Burlington; Dennis Barsten (deceased) of Pueblo, Colo.; Mary Kuehnel of Burlington; and Marian Shaver (deceased) of Burlington.

LAWSON

KEOKUK – Arionna Lawson and Jeremy Sayles of Keokuk, are proud to announce the birth of their son Ahlayde'N Jeremy Antonio Perre Lawson on Sept. 30, 2020 at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

Ahlayde'N is joined at home by Arayah, Arahlynn and Adahlayah.

Grandparents are Angela Archie, Antonia Archie, Valerie Lawson, and Susie Sayles Coleman, all of Keokuk.

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Sports New youth sports "bunker" underway in FM

Group looking for help with funds to renovate former Sears building into skills/training facility

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Doherty Baseball Academy is taking another step to rebuild youth athletic programs in Fort Madison.

The group recently entered into a lease agreement with Barker Financial Group to open a facility in the old Sear's building at 704 Avenue G.

Kyle Doherty, the founder of the academy, said after a youth workout at the Baxter Sports Complex in September, some people were milling about and Wes Holtkamp, who manages the property for Barkers, said he had some space available.

"I came down the next day and he showed me this," Doherty said. "There was enough room, and the drop ceilings could be taken out for overhead clearance. We think it's a great fit for what we're trying to do."

On Oct. 1 the lease was signed. In just three weeks walls have been taken down and rebuilt, floor plans have been changed, ceilings have been pulled, and duct work and electrical renovations have taken place.

Most of the equipment and technology was already a part of the academy, but now the group is looking for funding to help get the facility ready for training including spray foaming ceilings to allow for the hitting bays and indoor/outdoor carpeting.

Just those two improvements alone will cost the group about \$14,000 but Doherty said he's trying to keep the cost under \$10,000.

"Obviously we're all full-time working dads and we don't have working capital to come in and do things the way we want to do it," said Adam Helmick, a member of the DBA board and a coach.

"I just want to see the youth of Fort Madison grow and get better at the things they want to do and right now it's hard," Helmick said.

"They can't just go into (Tony) Johnson's (facility) on their own and hit or pitch or swing. That's what we're trying to do – provide that for them."

Doherty said Johnson and the Fort Madison School District have been extremely helpful in providing facilities for skills work. He said this facility will give the academy a place where kids can come anytime, without working it into the





Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Adam Helmick and Robert Ellison stand near a pitching machine in the Doherty Baseball Academy's new training facility at 704 Avenue G.

busy schedules of the other groups.

"The big reason why we did this is we wanted a place that we would have full control of. We wanted to offer a few more things and have a full range of scheduling," Doherty said.

He said he envisions the facility being used for all youth sports and even having different stations where different sport drills could be going on at the same time.

"I see us having kids in here hitting and throwing, or having teams in for practice sessions and then soccer going on in the back. We have plenty of room and we plan on using every square foot of this area," Doherty said.

Robert Ellison, another board member and coach in the DBA system, said he just wants to give youth a place to go.

"When this is up and running I envision at any point, if any kid in general were to call me at midnight and say they want to get out of the house and work out or just mess around. I would be down here in a heart beat," Ellison said.

"My vision is we get this up and running and kids aren't stuck in the house come January. They can come down here, and I don't care if it's running in circles, it gets them out of the house."

Doherty said there will likely be a membership for usage of the facility to help offset costs, but he wants to keep those minimal so every family can participate.

"We'll have memberships to offer and one-on-one private lessons. After this month, that's where a lot of our revenue will come from," he said.

"We're still asking for donations for certain things we need to get things put in place, but other than that the majority will be lessons and group stuff."

Doherty said he plans on being at the facility every night

"My vision is to utilize the crap out of this place to build and structure youth all the way up to college and even beyond," he said.

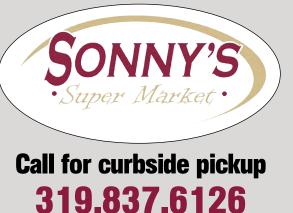
"They can come down here and work out on their schedule and get instruction. We're very serious about the development of the youth and every athlete we can get our hands on."

The DBA isn't a 501c(3) organization yet, but they do plan on getting that designation. Ellison said that's part of the organizational structure they are still unfamiliar with.

"That's stuff we don't know about yet. We're just blue collar workers that have a huge passion for the game," Ellison said.

Anyone wishing to donate time or financial support can contact Doherty, Ellison, or Helmick or donate via the groups Venmo account at @DohertyBase-

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