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Estes Park to get Ameren display

TURBINE: Supervisors give blessing for Keokuk Dam Museum to put turbine in park

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Lee County Board of Supervisors has given its blessing to putting a large turbine in Estes Park along Main Street in Keokuk.

At Tuesday's regular board meeting, the board voted unanimously to allow the turbine, which was part of the dam and is being donated by Ameren, to be placed in the county-owned park as part of a Keokuk Dam Museum display.

Supervisor Rich Harlow who voted in favor of the motion

said the county should still try to divest itself of the park and put it in the hands of Keokuk taxpayers.

"It's time for people of Keokuk to assume ownership of Estes Park. It's okay for Lee County Supervisors and people of Lee County to continue with the Heritage Center in Keokuk, but things like this could come up again and again and my personal opinion is to let Estes Park go to the citizens of Keokuk.

"Let's don't go down that road today," said Board Chairman Matt Pflug. "Let's stay with what we're going to vote on

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CORKS AND BARRELS

Sipping will be part of Hesse building again

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Soon you'll be able to sip again at the Hesse Building in downtown Fort Madison.

The building is home to the Harvestville Mercantile and has been home to several other niche businesses looking to capitalize on the foot traffic on Avenue G.

But many businesses have come and gone including the popular Ivy Bake Shoppe, Sip, and Tacos, Tacos, Takos.

Starting this summer, the corner shop and outdoor patio at the building located on the northeast corner of 7th and Avenue G, will be the home of a wine and whiskey bar called Corks and Barrels.

Angela Hedges, the owner of Corked 101 in Burlington, is currently doing some rehabilitation in the historic building's first floor south retail space.

Hedges said she was encouraged by several people in Fort Madison to open a second location and decided to take the leap.

Now Hedges is having the inside painted and is cleaning and refinishing the old wood floors and a very large mirrored cabinet that's been part of all the past businesses in the storefront. A screened in porch on the south side of the building will also be a part of the ambience.

"I'm actually going to be in both those places. We'll have the screened in porch and what used to be the regular dining area," Hedges said.

But she said she wanted the Fort Madison location to be a bit different than the Burlington location, which is also in a former Ivy Bake Shoppe location.

"I wanted it to be a little different, so I decided to make it into a whiskey and wine bar," she said.

"We will have a higher end wine menu that will be part of it eventually, but I want to find the small market wines and then we'll have select whiskeys, beer, and yeah, we'll have the Iowa favorite Busch Light. It's my 22-year-old's favorite so I

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

Retired Iowa Army National Guard veteran Eric Freitag salutes at Soldiers' Circle at the playing of Taps during the Memorial Day Celebration Monday at Oakland Cemetery, with his wife Taylor, and three daughters at his side. Ceremonies were held there and at the 1812 Battlefield in Fort Madison.

FMAAA

Illner Greene to take over FMAAA director's spot

Submitted article

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison Area Arts Association is pleased to announce Lori Illner Greene as their new Director. FMAAA thanks the former Director, Brian Riggs, for his many years of charismatic service. Under his

guidance, FMAAA expanded from its former location at the Depot into its present location and year round event and exhibition schedule. The Board of FMAAA is excited to continue to offer much of the familiar line-up of events and activities at the Art Center. With a new Director of course comes new

energy and ideas. Greene is passionate about Community building activities. Arts and culture are natural foundations for bringing a community together. After moving to Fort Madison in 2013, she quickly found herself volun-

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JAMIE A. SCOTT

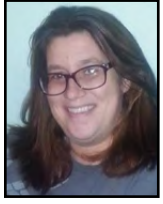
Jamie A. Scott, 46, of Fort Madison, IA passed away on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 9:20 PM at the Fort Madison Community Hospital.

She was born on August 24, 1974 in Danville, KY to James and Betty Braymer Brown. On July 5, 1996 she married Don Scott in Ft. Madison. Jamie was a graduate of Central Lee High School. She enjoyed reading, watching movies and playing with her dog. Her greatest love was her family, especially her son, Dakota.

Survivors include her husband, Don Scott of Ft. Madison; one son, Dakota Brown of Ft. Madison; her mom and step dad, Betty (Randy) Brown of New Boston, MO; one sister, Misty Bowen of Donnellson; aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, James Brown; mother in law, Kathryn Scott; grandparents, Rachel and Richard Hughes, Wilbur Braymer, Donna Mae Link and Katherine Dehaven.

Friends may call after 2 PM on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory where the family will meet with friends from 4-6 PM. A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 2 PM at Laclede Cemetery in Laclede, Missouri with Pastor Jim Fitzgerald officiating.

A memorial has been established in her memory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.



SCOTT

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM M. ADAMS

William M. "Bill" Adams, 81, of Keokuk died Saturday, December 26, 2020 at the Unity Point Keokuk Hospital in Keokuk.

He was born on March 11, 1939 in Salisbury, Maryland the son of William Leon and Ruth A Lakefield.



ADAMS

Bill graduated from the Milford High School in Milford, Delaware with the Class of 1958.

On September 3, 1966 Bill was united in marriage to Georgia "Kay" Adams in Keokuk. She survives.

Other survivors include two sisters, Ruth Ann Dickerson and Leona Clendaniel both of Milford, Delaware, nieces, nephews and special friends and caregiver his "kids" Stacie and Bill Claus and their children, his "grandkids" Nicole, Caylee and Cody, two brothers-in-law, Larry Swift and Lonnie Swift, and a sister-in-law, Sandra Rummans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two stepbrothers, William Morris and Elwood Wayne Morris and two stepsisters, Betty Lane and Dian Simpson.

Bill enlisted in the United States Coast Guard on June 30, 1958 and proudly served his country until July 1, 1978 when he retired after 20 years of service.

He then was employed as a distribution manager for the L.D. Caulk Co. for 10 years and then worked as an assistant manager for Walmart for 11 years prior to his retirement.

He was a faithful member of the First Christian Church in Keokuk and the Elks Lodge in Milford, DE where he was a past Exalted Ruler.

In his spare time, he loved to golf, fish and go dancing with Kay. He stayed active in the Elks Lodge and traveled throughout the United States for a year with Kay.

Graveside services with full military rites will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 4, at the Keokuk National Cemetery with Reverend David Turner officiating.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church youth activities or youth camp. The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.



LINDSEY R. HAYES

Lindsey R. Hayes, 39, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 9:43 a.m. on Friday, May 28, 2021 at the University of Iowa Hospitals in Iowa City, IA. She was born on April 6, 1982 in Fort Madison, IA to Avery & Debby Chambers Hayes. She loved singing and all music, travelling and going out to eat.



HAYES

Lindsey is survived by: 1-daughter: Kirsten Hayes of Fort Madison, IA; 2-sons: Brandon Hayes of Burlington, IA & Trevor Fletchall of Fort Madison, IA; her parents: Avery & Debby Hayes of West Point, IA; 1-sister: Tamra Schrock of Hawaii & 1-brother: Avery "A.J." (Desi) Hayes of Palmyra, MO. She was preceded in death by her grandparents.

Cremation has been entrusted to the care of King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory and no services are planned at this time. Online condolences to Lindsey's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

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Fort Madison Police Report

05/26/21 – 1:05 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 3100 block of Avenue O.
 05/26/21 – 3:04 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Michelle Leanne Eid, 30, of Fort Madison, in the 300 block of 1st Street on a warrant service. She was taken to Lee County Jail.
 05/26/21 – 4:36 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Theodore Marks, homeless, 37, in the 2200 block of Avenue H, on a charge of trespassing and interference. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 05/26/21 – 8:11 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2400 block of Avenue M.
 05/27/21 – 1:33 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 3400 block of Avenue N.
 05/27/21 – 7:36 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1500 block of Avenue E.
 05/27/21 – 8:20 a.m. – Fort Madison Police

responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 100 block of Avenue E.
 05/27/21 – 11:34 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1800 block of Avenue D.
 05/27/21 – 1:40 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 600 block of Avenue G.
 05/27/21 – 3:35 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Cheyenne Dale McKune, 41, of Fort Madison in the 3000 block of Avenue L, on a warrant service. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 05/27/21 – 4:03 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 2200 block of Avenue D.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

05/27/21 – 9:08 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Christopher Douglas Ransdell, 45, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office, on a judgment hold. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 05/27/21 – 3:45 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies

arrested Dylan McCray Martin, 25, of Burlington, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for 1st-degree harassment. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 05/28/21 – 7:51 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Payton Wrage Van Pelt Vice, 25, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office on a warrant for probation violation.

Hancock County Sheriff's Report

05/24/21 – Stacey M Rasmussen, age 53, of Hamilton, IL was arrested and charged with Driving While License Revoked. Rasmussen was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date.
 05/25/21 – Tommy L Humphrey, age 38, of Macomb, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure to Appear/ Pay on original charges of No Valid Driver's license and Speeding. Humphrey remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail awaiting his next court appearance.
 05/27/21 – David E Rogers, age 36, of Hamilton, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure to Appear on original charges of Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine. Rogers remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail awaiting his next court appearance.
 05/28/21 – Michael B Ransford, age 47, of Hamilton, IL was arrested and charged with Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Illegal Transportation of Cannabis. Ransford was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date.
 05/30/21 – Jordan T Quintero, age 23, of Carthage, IL was arrested and charged with Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Quintero was released after posting

the required bond and given a future court date.
 05/30/21 – Douglas O Howes, age 67, of Hamilton, IL was arrested and charged with Reckless Driving. Howes was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date.
 05/30/21 – Megan J Plowman, age 28, of Hamilton, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging her with Failure to Appear/ Pay on original charges of Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine. Plowman was also arrested on a Lee County, IA Warrant charging her with Eluding-Speed Over 25MPH over the Limit. Plowman remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail awaiting her next court appearance.
 05/30/21 – Ryan W Akers, age 26, of Plymouth, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Domestic Violence. Akers remains lodged in the Hancock

County Jail awaiting his next court appearance.
 05/30/21 – Derrick R Howe, age 35, of Warsaw, IL was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended and Possession of Stolen Property. Howe was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date.
Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

05/28/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical call and one structure fire on Storms Court
 05/29/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls.
 05/30/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to lift assist and one vehicle accident.
 05/31/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call.



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OBITUARIES

LIZBETH I.M. WIEGAND

Lizbeth Ivonne Medina Wiegand, age 57, daughter of Rafael Medina Zarate and Bertha Aguilar de Medina. Ivonne was born in Monterrey, Mexico on February 14, 1964. She passed away May 27, 2021 at the Scotland County Memorial Hospital, Memphis, MO.



WIEGAND

Ivonne graduated from the Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon in 1984, and came to the United States in January of 1985, after graduating from college. She lived with Stuart and Charlotte Kerr and Sheila (Kerr) Livesay, near Farmington, Iowa and they became her American Family all these years. She attended Revere High School to learn English.

Ivonne worked for Target retail stores in Oklahoma City for four years and after getting promoted, she moved to McAllen, Texas, where her son Christian was born. In 1995, she came back to Kahoka, where she met her loving husband, Ron. They were married August 17, 2002 at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Ivonne was a Spanish teacher and worked for Scotland County Schools for nine years and Holy Trinity at Ft. Madison for four years and has been teaching at Keokuk Community School for the past 3 years. She was an excellent teacher and was loved by the students and faculty members as well. Ivonne loved teaching Spanish and leaves behind good friends and co-workers in Keokuk, Ft. Madison, and Memphis.

Ivonne was preceded in death by Rafael Medina (father), Ma De los Angeles Cotes (grandmother), Juan Gabriel Aguilar (uncle), Gretta Medina (Niece), Jesus Aguilar (grandfather), and Stuart Kerr (American father).

She is survived by her husband, Ron and two sons and a daughters-in-law. Christian (Danielle) LaFrenz and Alek LaFrenz, her mother, Bertha Aguilar de Medina, Haydee (Arturo) Medina (sister), Edgar (Olga) Medina (brother), Deyanira (Alonso) Medina (sister), Diana (Sergio) Medina (sister), Charlotte Kerr, (American mother), Sheila (Rod) Livesay (American sister), Sharmin (Terry) Rowland (Step-daughter), Gena (Travis) Ellison (Step-daughter), Nikolas, Hayden and Bret Rowland, Chloe and Dane Brewer, Cassandra, Abby and Alexis Ellison (Step-grandchildren), nieces and nephews; Selene (Tristan) Trevino Lowe, Debra (Homero) Palacios Lara, Belinda (Paco) Quintanillo, Samantha, Tamara and Sebastian Medina, Karen (Nick) Finch and Kayla Livesay.

Ivonne loved spending time with her loving husband and children, traveling to other countries, going on cruises and stopping off at different islands, golfing together, shopping together and visiting her family in Mexico.

Ivonne was a loving wife and mother. She had a beautiful smile that would light up a room and anyone who had the privilege to know her well, loved her. She will be missed by all. Our Lord took another Angel Home!

A memorial mass will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 5, at the Saint Michaels Catholic Church in Kahoka, Mo., with Father Rob Fields officiating.

A visitation will be held Friday after 1 p.m. at the Vigen Memorial Home in Kahoka with family meeting with friends from 5 - 8 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Kahoka Cemetery or the Northeast Missouri Hospice.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Kahoka is in charge of arrangements.

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

OBITUARIES

JOHN E. BOEDDEKER

John E. Boeddeker, 73, of Falls Church, Virginia, passed away on May 25, 2021, at Walter Reed Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland.

He was born December 20, 1947, in Ft. Madison, Iowa, to Leo and Doris Six Boeddeker. He graduated from Nauvoo-Colusa High School in 1965 and joined the United States Army in March 1966. He was a member of both the 82nd and 101st Airborne. He served as a radio operator in Vietnam, but he preferred being referred to as a paratrooper who made 80 jumps.



BOEDDEKER

He assisted with crowd control during the inauguration of Jimmy Carter. John was Master Sergeant for the 3rd US Infantry (TOG) that served at the United Nations Honor Guard Company in South Korea. While in the military, he served honorably and with distinction. He received many commendations during his military career rising to the high rank of E8.

After retiring from the military, he worked for the Department of Agriculture and the United States Patent and Trademark Office. He earned a Master's Degree in both Psychology and Education. He was an adjunct professor teaching not only at Quantico Marine Base, but also at several colleges and universities including Webster University, Trinity College, Averite College, Lake Forest College, Georgetown University and George Mason University. John was an excellent teacher who had a gift for exceptional clarity in his classroom lectures. He was respected and appreciated by his students. From numerous students whom he taught over the years, he received many outstanding reviews.

John enjoyed traveling, going to the theatre, and listening to lectures, especially those of authors speaking at the Smithsonian Institution. (He even liked lecturing outside of the classroom!) He enjoyed all of the activities that living in the city afforded him. His greatest joy in life was following the New York Yankees. John liked animals, and took meticulous care of his pets, especially of his dogs (Sport and Sport 2) and his rabbits (Trooper, Dusty and Buddy).

John kept in touch with many people with whom he served over the years. Blessed are those who were in that circle of friends.

John is survived by one sister, Sharon (Mike) Wood of Niota, Illinois; one niece, Tami (Jamie) Kaminski and her children, Kayla, Katie and Cooper (or Connor as John liked to call him), of Dallas City, Illinois. He is also survived by a special friend, Dr. Barbara Baker, of Silver Spring, Maryland. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Bree.

The graveside service will be held on Friday, June 4, 2021 at 1 PM in Appanoose Cemetery, Niota, IL with military rites conducted by the Hancock County Honor Guard. King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.



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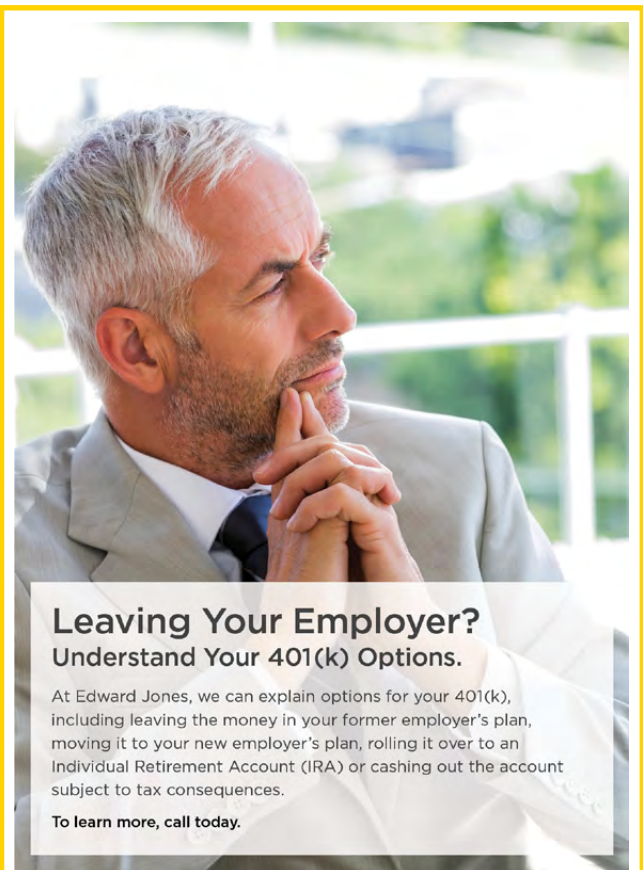
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Sports

Lady Hounds get first ever post-season soccer win

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

BURLINGTON — It didn't take long for Fort Madison's girls soccer team to turn what looked like a loss into history.

Brandy Walker's golden goal in overtime gave the Bloodhounds a 3-2 win over Burlington High School in Friday's Class 2A Region 8 quarterfinal at Bracewell Stadium.

It was the first postseason win for the Bloodhounds in the seven-season history of the program. Fort Madison (8-6) will play at sixth-ranked North Scott (11-5) in Wednesday's semifinal.

"It means everything," Walker said. "It's a big deal."

Big deal, indeed.

Fort Madison trailed 2-1 until Claire Pothitakis' penalty kick with 57 seconds left in the second half tied the game.

That gave new life to the Bloodhounds.

"It was, 'Give everything you have,' and they certainly did that," Fort Madison coach Carrie Burken



said. "In overtime, it was the same message. You could see they responded."

Walker's game winner came after her shot bounced off the hands of Burlington goalkeeper Jenna Hentzel. Walker raced to the loose ball and punched in the winning goal.

"I was like, 'Oh, my God, I have to get this. I have to get this, or it's over,'" Walker said. "It was that, or nothing."

Burlington (6-10) took a 2-1 lead early in the second half after Josephine Blazic's shot escaped the dive from Fort Madison goalkeeper Kailyn Guz-

man.

The Bloodhounds couldn't get anything going offensively until late in the half. The final charge gave Fort Madison a chance when Pothitakis was fouled near the goal. Her first penalty kick was good, but was waved off. The second one was just as perfect.

Pothitakis gave Fort Madison a 1-0 lead at the 6:53 mark of the first half with a shot into the right side of the net. Burlington tied it at 8:02 on Myah Rehman's goal.

Neither team had much of an offensive threat the rest of the half.

"We just weren't connecting on passes," Burken said. "We didn't have patience — we were just kicking the ball around."

Burken was happy with how her team responded in the closing minutes.

"I think this season has been hard for so many reasons," she said. "I think this means they still want it, and they're fighting for it. They just wanted to come out and win, and compete."

"It means a lot for this program. It shows where we've come from."

FM girls start 0-3 on softball diamond

BY PCC STAFF

DAVENPORT — The Fort Madison Bloodhounds started the year with a string of tough losses including at No. 4 West Burlington on Wednesday, and two losses to Davenport North on Friday.

The Hounds suffered 10-run setbacks in both games of a double header with the Wildcats in Davenport 15-5 in five innings and 14-4 in six innings.

Lexi Whaley homered in the opener going 2-4 with two RBI and a run scored.

The Hounds put up two runs in the first and third innings and one in the fifth, but Davenport North put up a five-spot in the bottom of the first and added two in the third and fourth to set the 10-run rule after five innings.

Neeley Rehm also had two hits for the Lady Hounds.

Kylee Cashman, Erika Kruse,

and Lauryn Helmick each had a hit. Cashman had two runs scored in the opener.

Rehm took the loss going two innings and giving up 5 runs all earned on three hits. Kruse pitched 2 2/3 giving up 10 runs on 7 hits.

In the night cap, the Hounds were held to five hits, but held Davenport North to 1-1 tie through four innings. Fort Madison would go up 4-1 in the fifth when Whaley hit a first-pitch, one-out drive to left field for a double that scored Emily Steffensmeier and Helmick.

Whaley would come around to score on a fielder's choice to second.

But the Wildcats would blow things open in the bottom half with eight runs, all coming with two outs.

Helmick would give up a walk with two outs and then a single, and then the floodgates opened with back-to-back singles followed by a double

and an error at short. Three more singles plated three more runs before the Hounds got out of the inning when Yanna Roberts tried to stretch her single into a double up 9-4.

Fort Madison would go down in order in the top of the sixth and then Davenport North would start with the bases loaded on three straight singles. A walk would force in a run and then senior Jordan

Burch would hit a walk-off grand slam to right field for the 14-4 lead and 10-run stoppage.

Logan Johnson, Helmick, Whaley, Rehm and Aija Jenkins all had hits for Fort Madison.

Helmick took the loss in the second game going 5 1/3 giving up 14 runs, 10 earned on 13 hits while striking out two and walking three.

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Sports

Bloodhounds hold on for 4-3 win over Notre Dame

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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Fort Madison's Garrett Hannum slides back in safely on a pick off attempt throw taken by Notre Dame's Carsen Jones Saturday at Burlington Notre Dame. The Hounds held on for a 4-3 win and traveled to Davenport Assumption Tuesday afternoon.

now as spring sports ran right up against the baseball season and the kids haven't been throwing as much.

Williams led off the game with a first-pitch single to right field that went off the glove of Notre Dame's Anthony Hoffman. Jason Thurman would single to center to put two men on with no outs.

Vasin Thurman would fly out to shallow center with the runners holding. Tate Johnson would then work a walk eight pitches to load the bases. before Colton Engeman connected on a 2 RBI single to right that scored Williams and Thurman and moved Johnson to third Matt Hopper would fly out to right field to score Johnson on a sacrifice before a strike out ended the inning with Fort Madison up 3-0.

Notre Dame would get two of the runs back in the bottom of the first. Landes Williams plunked Carson Chiprez with his first pitch of the afternoon and then gave up a double to Brady Oleson to right center.

Williams was then called

for a balk with runners at 2nd and 3rd plating Chiprez. Fort Madison Head Coach Ron Walker had a mound conversation with the umpires, but the call stood.

Oleson would then take off for home on a Williams' delivery. The ball squirted away from catcher Kane Williams allowing Oleson to score before Josh Smith struck out. Dylan Kipp would hit a dribbler to third that got caught up on the heavy infield grass, but Kane Williams would throw him out trying to steal second in the next at bat to retire the side.

Smith would then get into a five-inning pitchers dual where neither team would register another hit until the bottom of the sixth when Engeman broke in on an Anthony Hoffman fly ball to left field, but then had to retreat and couldn't catch up allowing Hoffman a double.

Chiprez would move him over with a bunt down the first base line, and then the Nikes put down another bunt with the speedy Hoff-

The Nikes put down four bunts on the afternoon.

Walker said one run games produce more bunting.

"They just wanted to put pressure on us and play small ball," It was a one run game and tight the whole way," he said.

Oleson came on in relief of Smith in the top of the 5th and gave up a one-out walk to Garrett Hannum, but retired the next two hitters.

Williams would issue a walk to Lucas Johnson to start the bottom of the 5th. A sacrifice bunt moved him over, but Williams would turn and pick off Johnson leaning at second to clear the bases. A strike out would move the game to the sixth.

Tate Johnson would reach with a on a dropped third strike with one out. He swiped second and the throw went into center field allowing him to reach third. But Oleson would strike out Engeman, and Hopper would ground out back to the pitcher to end the threat.

Walker said the Hounds (2-0) are still getting into

preseason shape on the field and need a more consistent approach.

"We just had to complete more. Our plan and approach at the plate was there one at bat and the next at bat it wasn't," he said. "We didn't compete very well. Chalk it up to the rain out."

The game was originally planned for Thursday night, but rain forced the postponement until Saturday.

Jason Thurman and Williams went 2-for-4 on the afternoon. Engeman and Hannum had the only other hits for Fort Madison. Engeman had two RBI, while Thurman and Hopper each had one.

Williams struck out six and walked two while scattering four hits and giving up all three runs earned. Thurman gave up a hit and struck out two in getting the win.

Smith took the loss for the 1-1 Nikes. He gave all three runs earned on three hits while striking out six and walking 1. Oleson struck out three and walked two. He gave up one run earned on three hits.

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PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE

City of Fort Madison Board of Adjustment will meet on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 6:00PM at the Council Chambers at City Hall, 811 Avenue E to discuss the following

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of minutes 4/14/21 meeting
3. Non-Agenda Items (if any)
4. Case File #21-04 Variance to reduce side yard setback from 20 feet to zero feet for Michael Mohrfeld at 930 - 15th Street.
5. Case File #21-02: Variance request to exceed lot

coverage for Treasa Abel at 1410 Ave F.
6. Adjournment

PUBLIC NOTICE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES MAY 3, 2021

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Office Building, on Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Matt Pflug, Ron Fedler, Rich Harlow and Garry Seyb. Present electronically was Rick Larkin.

All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Harlow, seconded by Fedler, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The Board held a discussion on displaying a turbine from the Keokuk Dam in Estes Park. Harlow left the meeting at 1:20 p.m. After comments from the public and the Board of Supervisors, it was moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to table approval of displaying the turbine in Estes Park. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Seyb-aye, Larkin-aye and Pflug-aye. Motion carried.

At 1:30 p.m. a motion was made by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 17, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Matt Pflug, Chairman Attest: Denise Fraise, Lee County Auditor

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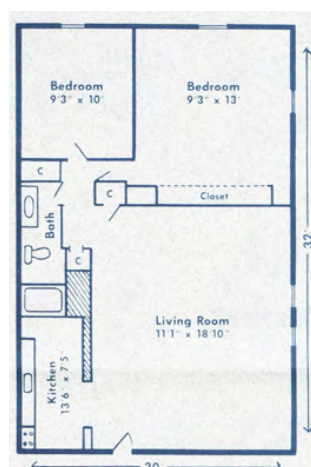
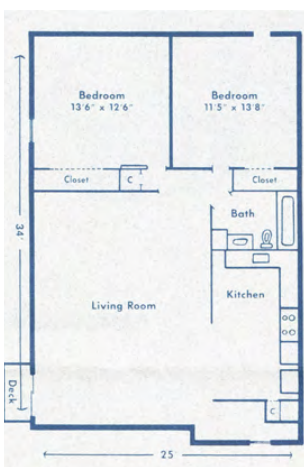
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From the Front

County looks for new deputy auditor

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here. That could be something for the future.”

However, the Keokuk City Council has not shown interest in accepting the park from the county. The county was given the park in a deed from a local bank several decades ago. Most of the supervisors and county staff were unaware of how the county came to own it until several weeks ago.

Supervisor Ron Fedler said with the Memorial Day weekend just passed, he thought the park should be retained as a memorial to the civil war.

“Even though it wasn’t a battlefield, a lot of men were treated and died there that were soldiers and then the U.S. government started the U.S. National cemetery there and that got me thinking that these were both Union and Confederate soldiers that were treated at that hospital and they were all Americans,” Fedler said.

“When I thought about all those veterans that died there, that to me would make it hollowed ground and sacred to those that died.”

Fedler suggested that the park would be better served with a memorial to the Civil War veterans and draw even more tourism.

Kathy Asbury, representing the Keokuk Dam Museum, said the museum has procured a very old photograph of the doctors at the hospital and plans to make that part of the museum’s display.

Pflug said he did get a letter of support from Keokuk Main Street who joined the conversation about the new display in Estes Park several weeks back that indicated they support moving forward with the project.

“Both Main Street and the museum folks got together and came to an agreement that they would support the turbine in Estes Park. And that was unanimous from when I spoke with Josh Kirchner of Main Street,” Pflug said.

Pflug said he had more than 50 comments on the

turbine in the park and he said the majority of those comments were to have the turbine down closer to the river. Main Street wanted to have the turbine down by the bridge, but Asbury said there are logistical problems getting the 90-ton turbine down to Victory Park.

“I just feel the connection to the museum is very important to have it (at Estes Park),” she said.

Asbury said the museum board is committed to taking care of the display and the park upkeep.

“This will be part of us – a part of the museum, so we’ll be happy to mow. Tourism and the dam museum did take care of trimming the shrubs and things for several years, so it’s nothing new to us.”

Supervisor Garry Seyb said it was very encouraging that Main Street and the dam group were able to come together, and he said Keokuk Mayor Tom Richardson is supportive of the project as well.

Asbury said the Youngren building along Main Street is reportedly going to be rehabilitated. The museum board was looking at that lot also as a place for the turbine.

In other action, supervisors:

- approved an application for a Byrne Jag Grant for the Lee County Narcotics Task Force
- approved an agreement with Blessing Health Keokuk Clinic for post-offer pre-employment physicals.
- approved an extension of an agreement with IDEMIA for the sheriff’s fingerprint scanning machine
- approved the hiring of an election administrator to replace Nikki Sugars, who’s accepted a position as the county’s Veteran’s Affairs director.
- approved depositing American Rescue Funds into an interest bearing account with Connection Bank. The county received the first half of \$6.5 million in funds from the stimulus plan signed into law by President Joe Biden in March.

Greene familiar with FMAAA workings

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teering for Main Street events and became a regular attendee of FMAAA happenings. She has the experience to both run and grow the business side of the FMAAA, with an eye towards expanding the art related programs and offerings.

Greene, an area artist located at her home studio in Niota, Illinois, began volunteering at FMAAA in 2019 when she and the previous director, Brian Riggs, collaborated on Working Artist Wednesdays during that Summer and early Fall. The program was designed to have a local working artist on site to assist with covering some hours that were otherwise difficult to fill.

“Contemporary Art continues to evolve,” says Greene. “There is a great deal more room and outlet for expression than when I first became exposed to Art in the 80’s. While traditional methods and mediums are still potent, craft is experiencing a resurgence. Artists continue to develop new outlets of expression. Mixed media and digital art have evolved and matured. There is renewed interest in supporting creative thinking as a component of education as STEM is giving way to STEAM. This push is often led by business as they seek to add creative thinkers and innovators into their ranks.”

The future looks bright for FMAAA. After roof and interior renovations early this year brought much needed improvement to the structure of the facility, they are firmly on track to continue to evolve and expand their mission to bring cultural programming to the Community and Southeast Iowa region. FMAAA is located at 825 Ave G. They have temporary hours of 11am – 4pm Tue, Thu, Fri, and Sat as they transition over the next few weeks.



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From the Front

Hedges likes the charm of rural downtowns

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promised to always have a cold beer for him.”

Hedges said she wanted to create a space where people could just come and sip socially.

“I just wanted to create a space like we did in Burlington. It doesn’t matter if you want to sit with your husband at the bar or meet a girlfriend or friend for a private conversation on a couch. It will be a great place for both.”

She also wants to create events like she has in Burlington now where wines are paired by local chefs with meal spreads.

Hedges, who’s a critical care nurse by profession, said when she travels she loves to visit downtowns and that’s where she got her desire to open a business.

“Every great town has a great downtown. I love the downtowns and love to see them grow,” she said.

“When we vacation we go out of our way to look for those. They are the charm of the community. When Major Oak moved to Fort Madison that piqued my interest,” she said.

“Then when we started talking about it, and the community really embraced us. We’re so excited and I think if you have that attitude your downtown is going to take off. And that’s what’s happening in Fort Madison.”

She said the timing is for Corks and Barrels to be open by mid to end July, and the timing should coincide with other increased activity downtown including the return of American Cruise line dockings.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Angela Hedges looks out the windows at her new location in the Hesse Building at 7th and Avenue G in Fort Madison. Hedges is planning to open Corks and Barrels in July downtown and will feature specialty wines, local favorites, whiskey and beer.

The cruise lines are still planning more than 30 stops in Fort Madison despite the late start due to the pandemic. City officials have also heard that Viking Cruise Lines could be busing passengers down to Fort Madison as part of that line’s Burlington stops.

The Amtrak rail depot could also be operational by then in Riverview Park which could eventually help bring people into the historic downtown district.

“Those things will help drive and keep these businesses open,” she said.

The announcement comes as Fort Madison has seen several other food and drink specialty locations pop up downtown. Riverside Nutrition, Major Oak Restaurant and Swed Coffee are just a few of the new places that

add to the unique collection of businesses now functioning downtown.

Hedges said Fort Madison’s downtown has huge potential.

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