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Canine Corral gets new walk

SHELTERS NEXT: Volunteers put together new ADA-compliant walkways at dog park

BY **CHUCK VANDENBERG**
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – A new concrete path was poured Wednesday as part of on-going improvements to the city's Canine Corral dog park.

The off-leash dog activity park was opened almost a year ago behind the heavy work of a five-woman committee, volunteers, and lots of donations.

"There's just way too many donors to list so I just want to thank them all as a whole. We couldn't have done any of this without them," said committee chairwoman Donna Amandus.

Amandus is also the city's 3rd Ward City Council represen-

tative.

The committee includes Sharman Steeples, Patrice Jordan, Linda Smith, Anne Heitz, and Amandus.

The new concrete path is just part of the overall plan to have walking paths throughout the park. The first phase is about 100 feet that runs from the entry way parallel to the fence and then turns north on the big dog side of the park.

Amandus said eventually she would like to have the path go all the way to the north fence so pet owners can follow their pets when the ground is soft or snow covered. A similar path is planned for the small dog side of the park on the east part of the grounds. Both paths are ADA designed to be

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

Volunteers work on putting in concrete for part of the walking path at the Canine Corral dog park in Fort Madison Wednesday morning.

IOWA NEWS

Test Iowa to pack up testing operations July 16

DES MOINES - Test Iowa, the state's large-scale, free COVID-19 testing program which launched in April of last year, will end operations on July 16, 2021. Staggered closings of its drive-thru test sites and clinic locations statewide will occur over the next five weeks.

The five state-operated drive-thru

locations will close when testing concludes at 4 p.m. on the following days:

Clinic site closures will be determined by provider, but will occur no later than Friday, July 16. Closing dates will be announced publicly and posted online at coronavirus.iowa.gov and testiowa.com. Demand for testing is at its lowest levels in more than a year since

vaccine is now widely available and virus activity has significantly decreased. However, ensuring the availability of free COVID-19 tests for Iowans remains a priority.

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) and State Hygienic Lab

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CHILD NEGLECT

Approach to curbing child maltreatment is dual generational

Editor's Note: This is the second part of a 3-part series looking at child abuse and neglect in Lee County

BY **CHUCK VANDENBERG**
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LEE COUNTY – The efforts of area child advocacy groups to curb the occurrence of maltreatment in Lee County are multi-faceted, but the main thrust of intervention is a dual generation approach.

Arin Jones works with the Iowa Department of Human Services as part of the agencies Community Partnerships for Protecting Children. She's also the Vice President of the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Lee County.

Jones serves as a liaison from the DHS to a four-county categorization area that includes Henry, Des Moines, Louisa, and Lee counties. Her role is to serve as a bridge between the child abuse advocacy groups locally and the state agency.

She came on with the Lee County group in 2014.

"They were dwindling and faltering when I came in in 2014. But they started working together later that year and now that group has close to 40 volunteers including professionals and people working in different service fields," Jones said.

"They're always looking for people from different sectors to step in and increase the impact of the group. It's helpful to have professionals. You don't have to have any sort of expertise or training. We're just better with more people involved."

Breanna Kramer-Riesberg, the Lee County Health Department's 1st Five Developmental Support Specialist and Community Outreach and Development Project Coordinator, said child maltreatment is generational.

Jones agreed and add typically underfunded.

"Our ultimate goal being child abuse prevention or re-abuse prevention, is generally very underfunded. But we don't

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Obituaries/From the Front

Walkways are next phase of dog park amenities

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ADA compliant.

Amandus said the committee is also working to find sponsors for two 12 foot by 14 foot shelter houses, one on each side of the park.

"We're looking for companies or families to sponsor those at \$2,500. Last year we probably could have built them cheaper, but with material prices on the rise, these are going to cost more now," she said.

She also said the group is still selling bricks and pavers for the entry way and those start at \$100 for a stamped brick or \$250 for a stamped paver.

Anyone wishing to donate to the shelter house or bricks can contact Amandus directly at 319-470-4881, or send a check to Amandus at 412 24th Street. Checks should be written out to FMEDC with "dog park" in the memo line.

The labor for the concrete paths was donated by employees of Matt's Greenhouse who wanted to give something back to the community. The workers are part of the federal H-2A temporary agriculture worker's program that allows foreign nationals to work in the United States on temporary bases to do specific agricultural work.

A matching donation fundraiser to generate \$10,000 was held this spring to raise the funds for the materials. A private donor matched up to \$5,000. Amandus said the group has about \$12,000 on hand and will use those funds to pay for the concrete and make additional improvements at the park, including the shelters.

"We have about twelve grand in the bank right now. Concrete will take some of that out, but because we saved so much with volunteer labor. We'll be able to put both shelter houses up this year," Amandus said.

"We also have 10 benches that have been donated and those will be put in as soon as the pads are poured," she said.

She said all the benches have been donated individually or as memorials.

The park is open from dawn to dusk and is located just off 15th Street south of the Tri-State Rodeo arena.

OBITUARIES

BEVERLY "BEV" ELAINE (KNOBBS) BARTHOLOMEW



BARTHOLOMEW

Beverly "Bev" Elaine (Knobbs) Bartholomew, 87, of Hamilton, passed away on Monday, June 14, 2021, at her home in Hamilton.

Bev was born on February 25, 1934, in Keokuk, Iowa, the daughter of Robert Michael and Alice Elaine (Reed) Knobbs. She grew up in Montrose, graduating from Montrose High School in 1952. When Bev was in school, she attended half of the school

year in Montrose, and the other half in California, so she could get a cultured view of the world. On September 2, 1952, she was united in marriage to John Richard "Bart" Bartholomew at Trinity Methodist Church in Keokuk. He preceded her in death on August 31, 2013.

Bev worked at various businesses in the Hamilton and Keokuk area, and was a member of New Testament Christian Church in Keokuk. She was a member of National Campers and Hikers (Now FCRV) and pioneered her version of "Glamping". She enjoyed spending her free time antiques, attending auctions and square dancing, but her favorite activity was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Bev is survived by a son Douglas R. Bartholomew and wife Mala of Hamilton; two daughters, Shelley R. Hawley and Monte Leenerts of Warsaw, Illinois and Lisa E Hayes of Hamilton; grandchildren, Monica M. Bartholomew of Aurora, Illinois, Leah M. (Rob) Paulson of Lombard, Illinois, Lindsay J. (Eric) Schlotterbeck of Carthage, Illinois, Nicholas John Hawley of Des Moines, Iowa, and Jame C. (Amanda) Hayes of Muscatine, Iowa; great grandchildren, Madison Hoskins, Ethan Schlotterbeck, Logan, Andrew and Macy Hayes, Connor Paulson, and baby girl Paulson; and her sister-in-law Ruth Knobbs of Meridian, Idaho.

Bev is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her son-in-law Jodie Hawley, her granddaughter Jaime Nicole Hawley and her brother Robert W. Knobbs.

A graveside service will be held at 10 am on Friday, June 18, 2021, at Keokuk National Cemetery in Keokuk. Family and friends will gather at 9:30 am on Friday at DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home in Keokuk for a procession to the cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday from 3 to 7 pm, with family meeting friends from 5 to 7 pm at DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home in Keokuk.

Memorials may be directed to Lee County Hospice and the Keokuk Animal Shelter.

Tributes and condolences may be left at www.dejongsfuneralhome.com. DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home of Keokuk is in charge of arrangements.

Pen City Current obituary policy

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From the Front

Partnerships, community buy-in keys to breaking cycles

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focus on that," Jones said. "We have to be doing triage and treating issues at hand. But to improve we have to be taking steps. This is generational and cyclical and interconnected."

Poverty is a large indicator of abuse and neglect, and Lee County has traditionally had one of the state's higher poverty rates. That correlates with the state's current ranking at the bottom of the state when it comes to neglect. Lee County is 99th out of 99 counties in Iowa in reported neglect. It's 79th in the state in reported abuse claims.

Jones said parents are more likely to abuse when they are under stress.

"It's interconnected with denial of critical care, which we call 'neglect'. Substance abuse, mental illness, and domestic violence all play a part and Lee County rates high across the board on those," Jones said. "One leads to the other, which makes the other more likely, and the other more likely, and so on. That's a cycle that's tough to break."

She said children in those environments obviously learn from what they see, and then become the next generation of parents and that's another cycle that needs intervention for maltreatment numbers to start to subside.

"We focus on progress. We are a small group of volunteers mostly and the issue is cultural change and the change of larger systems, but we really have relatively tiny resources," she said.

Lee County received a Resilient Community grant for Empowering Families from the DHS because of the high rates of maltreatment, but also because of the support systems that are already in place, like 1st Five, to help make the best use of the infusion of funds.

The grant was a \$76,000 annual grant for two years with an option of renewal for an additional three years. Kramer-Riesberg's salary is paid with part of the grant.

Kramer-Riesberg contracted with Iowa State University Extension office to help process data and execute a strategic plan. That work is being overseen by Shelley Oltmans, a community development specialist with the extension office.

Another part of the equation is the county's Bridg-

es Out of Poverty. The bridges program overseen by a board of directors under the direction of Shayla Blackburn also targets generational poverty and breaking the familial cycles that lead to substance abuse, unemployment, child maltreatment, while resetting soft skills and behaviors.

As part of the grant project, Kramer-Riesberg is spearheading an Empowerment Group that has been conducting parental surveys in the county over the past six months. That group will be compiling a strategic plan starting in July that will look at what changes need to happen within the advocacy groups, support groups, and programming to start chipping away at the generational cycles.

Ginger Knisely, the president of the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Lee County said she hopes the grant helps bring things together in the county.

"I am hopeful that the Empowering Families grant will go a long ways toward coordination of all of the things we have always known and tried to address individually."

The CAPC is a community-based, volunteer organization that is open to new members..

The turnaround starts with looking at systems and policies, Jones said.

"It starts with looking at is there an organization or organizations we can work with to help generate positive outcomes. Larger things are what make great change," she said.

"We also know in this field you have to have a dual generation approach. We can work with kids at schools and provide support, but the thing is they go home to families and if that space is broken it's not nearly as effective as if we can work with both generations."

She also said it's not an issue of looking at the counties that are doing well in the rankings and taking best



practices.

"Honestly we've never looked at each county from the top level and seeing what they do differently," Jones said. "It matches up to economic factors, substance abuse, mental health, and community culture is a big piece. The county makeup is usually different. But the dual generation approach is proven."

Jones said the quickest way to start making an impact is for parents to not be afraid to reach out and ask for help. The county and state have a lot of resources, but there is large gap in knowing what is there and wanting to get help.

"Everyone has experiences they want to work out. Don't be afraid to reach out and ask. In Lee County one of the largest groups is the public health department. The parenting programs run out that department, but they are interconnected with other interagency groups like Community Action of Southeast Iowa," she said.

"For even greater change, the community in general needs to be more aware, to buy in and have ownership in the next generation of children and next generation of Lee County citizens. You will benefit. That 'it-takes-a-village' thing is totally true."

The following link contains community resources in Lee County for parents relating to assistance in making sure children are safe, healthy, and fed: <http://leecountyhd.org/index.php/comm/1st-five-healthy-mental-resources/>.

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Education News

Central Lee schools announce 2nd semester honor rolls

Central Lee High School 2020-21 – Semester 2 Honor Roll

12th Grade Principal Scholars

Abel, Xandra Jadis; Edmondson, Ean Jerrin 12; Farrell, Aaron Austin 12; Gaylord, Alexis Marie; Hayes, Evelyn Katrianna; Lindsay, Ryan James; Merschman, Mya Catherine; Sanders, Kaleb Victor; Wellman, Abigail Page.

11th Grade Principal Scholars

Howell, Tristan Allen; Jones, Sydney Paige; Sandoval, Alex Michael; Watkins, Macy Lynn.

10th Grade Principal Scholars

Barnhardt, Emily

Claire; Congdon, Alix Ann; Hohl, Jacob Thomas; Hupp, Macy Jill; Lampe, Mya Jo; Moeller, Karissa Anne; Morrison, Makayla Lynn; Pohren, Karlie Renee; Robbins, Maren Leigh.

9th Grade Principal Scholars

Graber, Sydney Elizabeth; Graham-Thomas, Bella Cianna; Griffin, Taylor Kayann; Howard, MaKayla Kayleen; Jones, Brooklyn Reese; Kirchner, Mercedes Lynn; Lowenberg, Landan Cole; Manwill, Zachary Kyle; Mueller, Josie Kaylyn.

12th Grade A Honor Roll

Brumble, Malia Rose;

Cummings, Camilla Jade; Daw, Carolyn Nabila; Eschman, Zoe Kathryn; Fraise, Luke Nicholas; Harvey, Karley Eileen; Haynes, Serenity Lynn; Holtkamp, Jackson Mitchell; Houser, Grace Elizabeth; Moeller, Gavin Robert; Moore, Connor James; Rohdy, Mason Garrett; Sanders, Ella Grace 12; Schreck, Lauren N 12; Stuecker, Dylan Matthew; Tweedy, Hailey Lynn; Wilkerson, Daniel Alfred.

11th Grade A Honor Roll

Boyer, Aidan Lane; Brecount, Devin Jay; Conlee, Drew William; Davidson, Chyane Tay-

lor; Herdrich, Ellie Jo; Hopp, Meghan Kennedy; Hulsebus, Grace Violet; Johnson, Jasmine Loraine; Popejoy, Emily Rose; Sugars, Abby AnnMarie; Tate, Logan Matthew; Watkins, Maura Lee; Wellman, Madeline Anne; Wellman, Trey Paul; Westfall, Pierson Delaney.

10th Grade A Honor Roll

Anderson, Grant Laverne; Brumble, Adyson Jo; Denbow, David James; Eschman, Thomas S; Fuger, Keating Matthew; Grafton, Paisley Georgia; Hand, Audrey Grace; Harvey, Everlee Constance; Holtkamp, Tyler Mason; Morgan,

James David-Dewayne; Simmons, Abigail Grace; Wells, Gannon Michael.

9th Grade A Honor Roll

Buford, Shanna Faylene; Crank, Landon John 9; Gruntmeir, Sidney D'Lynn; Hemingsen, Jacob Vincent; Jones, Cory Matthew; Larson, Millie J; Merschman, Dante Michael; Newton, Josephine Olivia; Rudd, Landon Lee-Michael; Stewart, Giovanni Gregory; Stuecker, Riley Joseph.

12th Grade B Honor Roll

Arrowood, Mahayla J; Blint, Karley Kathleen; Donaldson, Megan Lou; Gilpin, Amanda Kay; Glasscock, Grace Kaylind; Kirchner, Andrew James; Leech, Hannah Rayne; Liu, Emmy; McGlasson, Tyler Jordan; Moeller, Blake William; Myhre, Kade Nickolas; Sapp, Keagan Lester;

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Adam, Andree Ruth; Britt, Adrienne Nicole; Congdon, Collin McDaniel; DeMoss, Tanner William; Doty, Maddox James; Finney, Bryce Michael; Fullenkamp, Shaylin J; Harvey, Emma Raychelle; Jarvis, William Allen; Myhre, Alivia Grace; Newton, Genevieve Marie; Pidgeon, Kayla Lee; Wright, David Michael.

10th Grade B Honor Roll

Adam, Jonas Mark; Barnhardt, Shane Christopher; Hemingsen, James Whiteside; Her- rick, Samantha Nicole; Kerr, Allison Marci Lee; Lozano, Elaina Marie; Martin, Sarah Anne; Matlock, Rylee Rhea; Oilar, Danielle Suzanne Ranay; Peck, Bethany Michelle; Stevens, Payton Charles; Stidham, Lakyn Eileen;

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Lee County Health Department Community Pop-up Clinic Schedule

These clinics are designed to reach those who might not have had the opportunity to receive their COVID vaccine yet. The schedule will be updated as more clinics are added.

June 15, 2021 - First Christian Church, Keokuk, Drive-thru 4:00pm-7:00pm J&J only

June 17, 2021 - Mississippi Terrace Keokuk, 11:00am-Noon J&J only

June 17, 2021 - Hawkeye Village & Park Apartments, Keokuk 1:00pm-3:00pm, J&J only

June 17, 2021 - Ivanhoe Apartments & Hillview Village Fort Madison 1:00pm-3:00pm, J&J only

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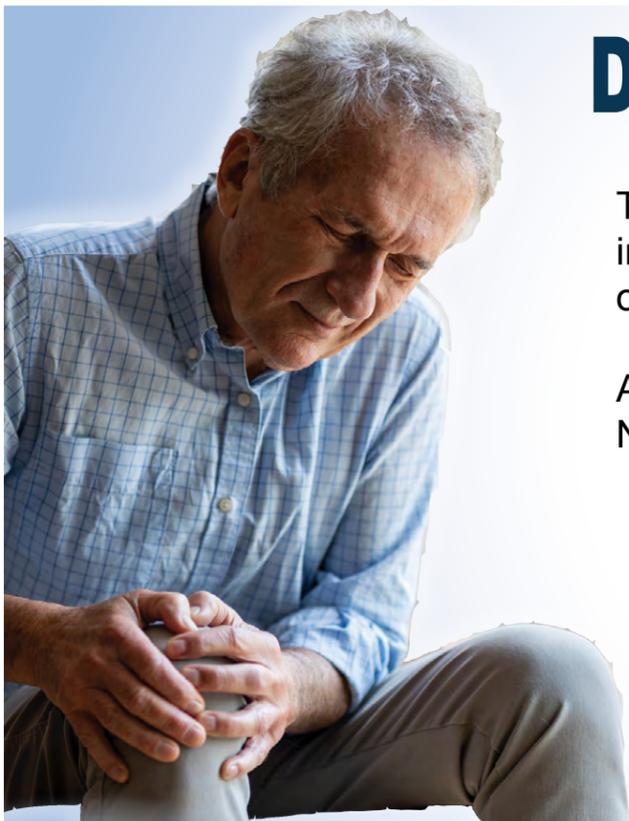
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Education News/From the Front

Phasing out of test clinics to start

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(SHL) are finalizing plans now to provide at-home test kits free of charge to Iowa residents following the closure of the Test Iowa program. More details will be provided in the coming weeks. Additionally, COVID-19 testing will continue to be provided by health care providers, pharmacies, and other retail testing sites statewide. Test Iowa is a public-private partnership between the State of Iowa, Nomi Health, Domo and Qualtrics that provided access to 540,000 PCR test kits plus the equipment and technology to automate the testing process.

Test Iowa also provided the state with a robust data platform to effectively manage its COVID-19 response. Real time data allowed the state to track trends in virus activity down to a zip code and respond with targeted strategies to contain it. The platform also enabled the state to share its data easily and transparently with Iowans throughout the course of the pandemic.

Since opening, nearly 644,000 individuals have been tested for COVID-19 at a Test Iowa site, making it Iowa's top testing option. Testing peaked on Nov. 23, 2020, when more than 6,700 individuals were tested on a single day. Approximately 400 total tests per day are now being conducted across all 17 drive-thru and clinic sites currently open.

Drive-thru test sites will continue to operate Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., while they remain open. Hours of operation vary by clinic site. For more information about locations, hours or scheduling a test, visit coronavirus.iowa.gov or testiowa.com.

If you have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to an individual who has tested positive and you have not yet been fully vaccinated, you should be tested and remain at home away from others until you know your results. If you are positive for the virus, follow the isolation instructions from your testing provider or local public health department.

Central Lee 2nd semester honor rolls

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Waldorf, Carly Magdalen.

9th Grade B Honor Roll

Brown, Bella M; Byrn, John Mathias;

Clark, Kaleb Nathan Edward; Grego-

ry, Hunter Gabe; Hocker, Logan Ray;

Krehbiel, Ayden Michael; Lynch, Kylie

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 II. Approval of Agenda
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 IV. Approval of minutes
 a. Regular Meeting May 20
 V. Approval of the Bills
 a. Approval of June 2021 Bills
 VI. Correspondence
 VII. Director's Report
 a. Financial
 b. Personnel
 c. Programming
 d. Collection Development
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 f. Facilities
 g. Professional
 h. Aarin Guzman Update
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 a. Laptop Policy
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 a. Selling HVAC Equipment behind library
 b. Library Building Assessment Report
 c. Use of Library Spaces
 X. Trustee Education
 a. Trustee Handbook – Chapter 6 “Developing and Adopting Policies”
 b. Trustee Handbook – Chapter 7 “Planning for the Library’s Future”
 XI. Upcoming Events and Information
 a. New fiscal year begins July 1
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4. Adjourn

PUBLIC NOTICE LEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES May 13, 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
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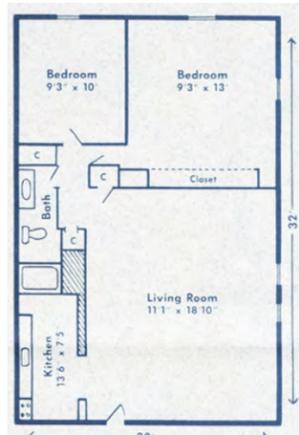
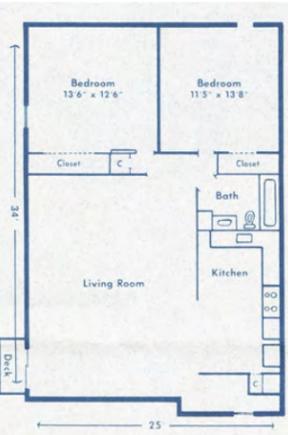
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Sports

Central Lee girls shut out Crusaders 10-0

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

DONNELLSON – Central Lee’s Sophie Turner threw a five-inning perfect game against Holy Trinity Catholic Tuesday night in a 10-0 five inning affair in Donnellson.

The Crusaders have lost their last six games in a row and Head Coach Loren Menke said the Crusaders have also lost their confidence.

“We’re just not playing very well right now,” he said. “Our girls have lost their confidence at the plate. We’ve seen good pitching early and we’re able to hit it. We’re just not doing that now.”

Turner had it on cruise control with the only real test coming in the top of the second with the score

tied at 0-0. Turner and sophomore Kayla Box engaged in an 11-pitch battle with Box fouling off seven pitches, the first of which went about 245 feet over the left field fence just foul. The ball cleared the fence about 15 feet in the air.

Turner actually threw what would be considered a perfect game not allowing a single base runner by walk or hit.

Central Lee put up seven runs in the bottom of the second when Shanna Buford, Makayla Morrison, Abby Simmons and Carlee Pezley all reached on consecutive hits to open the inning. Morrison’s hit scored Buford and then Simmons doubled to plate Morrison. Pezley’s single would score Simmons before HTC hurler Mary Hellige

got Turner to ground out to Box at third.

Bailey Schwartz would then start things up again with a one-out single. She would eventually get forced on a fielder’s choice at third for the second out, but a double by Meghan Hopp and an error on a grounder to short would allow three more runs to score to give the Hawks an early 7-0 lead.

HTC would surrender another run in the bottom of the third on an error at shortstop, but Hellige would get the Hawks 1-2-3 in the bottom half of the fourth.

Central Lee would get the needed two runs for the 10-run rule in the bottom of the fifth when Morrison hit a lead-off single. After a flyout to right field, Pezley would single moving Morrison

to third. She would come around to score on a infield throwing error by the Crusaders.

Pezley would steal second and come around to score with two outs. Turner sacrificed Pezley to third on a bunt for the second out, and then Schwartz scorched a liner back up the middle to plate Pezley with the game winner.

Central Lee Head Coach Tiffany Woodruff said it was probably one of the cleanest games the Lady Hawks have played this year.

“Pretty close. We had to move our infield out a few times, but being able to finally have a set infield and deciding on our defense – it’s looking pretty sharp now,” she said.

“Throughout the season we’ve had to move people

around and I just feel like we’re getting kind of set and getting that chemistry built up.”

The Hawks host two doubleheaders this week with Davis County (12-4) Wednesday and New London (4-12) on Thursday, before traveling to Hillcrest Academy on Friday. Central Lee has played only one doubleheader all season and that was a split with Fort Madison in Fort Madison.

Woodruff said the twinbills are little tough on pitching.

“I think it’s gonna hurt pitching just because that’s kind of our weakness only with Turner. Meghan does a good job, but Turner does most of the work. But our defense will stick around and we should be pretty stellar there.”

Davis County’s soph-

omore hurler Madison Barker is 8-4 on the year and has struck out 128 hitters this year and could pose problems for the Lady Hawks Wednesday.

Hellige went the distance for the Crusaders scattering 14 hits and giving up 10 runs, all earned with no strikeouts or walks. Turner had a perfect line going five innings and gathering four strikeouts.

Buford, Morrison, Pezley, and Simmons all had multiple hit games for Central Lee (8-4, 4-2). Hopp had two RBI on the night.

Holy Trinity falls to 2-6 in Southeast Superconference South play and 3-8 overall. The girls lost 13-5 Monday night at Cardinal after leading 2-1 three innings into the contest. They host Danville Thursday and then travel to Winfield-Mt. Union on Friday night.

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