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Pickford tourney ends



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

Tom Culp of Champions Wrestling Club throws Burlington's Nolan Simpson to the mat during the 198-209 lb. Greco division Sunday morning at Fort Madison High School.

AFTER 50 YEARS: Last year for Mick Pickford Greco/Freestyle Tournament

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – With the 50th year in the books, the once-storied Mick Pickford Freestyle/Greco tournament has come to end.

After Sunday's event with less than 50 wrestlers in attendance, Fort Madison Head Coach Ryan Smith said this will be the last year for the event.

"I don't want this to tarnish his name. It's just heartbreaking," Smith said. "We'll find other ways to keep his legacy going. Maybe they will clamor for it again when it's gone, but

right now we just don't have the kids."

Smith said he has tried different tactics to keep the event going, including different awards and prizes but said with other larger events in more central parts of the state, people just aren't willing to make the two- and three-hour drive anymore.

The Pickford tournament, in its heyday had close to 300 wrestlers and was even used as a national qualifier. Residents from Fort Madison would host the wrestlers in what was one of the biggest wrestling events in the country.

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VACCINE CLINICS

J&J vaccine pulled by CDC, FDA

LCHD cancels clinic as health officials track rare bloodclotting issue

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – Lee County Health officials have cancelled clinics scheduled for today and will be making announcements about future clinics as plans develop this week.

The news comes on the heels of a release from the Centers for Disease Control and Food and Drug Administration citing possible blood clot issues associated with the Johnson & Johnson single dose vaccine.

"We received official notice this morning from Iowa Department of Public Health to halt use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccines until further reviews and recommendations can be made by the FDA and Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)," said Michele Ross administrator of the Lee County Health Department.

The FDA livestreamed an information session Tuesday morning. Ross said she was participating in the updates. She said the IDPH is also meeting Tuesday and will provide an update out of that office as well.

The Lee County Health Department cancelled Johnson & Johnson clinics set for Tuesday.

"We have cancelled clinics we have scheduled today and will be meeting this morning on a plan for other clinics we have scheduled for remainder of this week and Saturday.

County health officials had tentatively set an open Johnson & Johnson clinic at the old Iowa State Penitentiary grounds from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, but a decision on that clinic hasn't been made as of this posting.

IDPH officials issued a statement

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PARTNERS

Fort Madison Paint-A-Thon still in need of volunteers

BY TIM GOBBLE
Fort Madison Partners

FORT MADISON – The Paint-A-Thon has proven to be successful and we want to continue that success here in Fort Madison but need the public's help to pull it off. The

dates have been set: week of April 26 thru April 30, 2021. During the week of April 26th, teams will prep the house and start painting as soon as prep work is complete.

WHAT IS "PAINT-A-THON"?

The Paint-A-Thon is an event in

which volunteers work in groups to paint the homes (owner occupied) of low-income Individuals living in the city limits of Fort Madison. This event allows homeowners with financial and physical limitations to

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

ANN M. SANFORD

Ann M. Sanford, 76, of Fort Madison, passed away at 11:23 AM on Monday, April 12, 2021 at the Montrose Health Center.

She was born on September 17, 1944 in Ft. Madison to Bernard and Genevieve Koellner Klesener. On March 16, 1968 she married Ronald Sanford in Ft. Madison and he passed away on July 25, 2018, Ann worked at Sheaffer Pen Co. for twenty years and then at Catfish Bend Casino. She was a member of Ss. Mary & Joseph Church. Ann was an avid reader and also enjoyed doing crafts, embroidery, painting and playing cards.

Survivors include one daughter, Jill (Josh) Neuweg of Oak Grove, MO; four grandchildren, Tyler Neuweg, Katie (Tyler) Rung, Jacob Coffman and Abby Neuweg; three great grandchildren, Paislee Lamborn, Adam Smith and River Rung; two sisters, Jane (Dick) Sanford of Wever and Dolores Riepe of Cedar Rapids; two brothers, Dennis (Barb) Klesener of Nauvoo and Tom (Sandra) Klesener of St. Paul, IA; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, a daughter, Patty Coffman; one sister, Sister Roberta Klesener SSSF and one brother, Charlie Klesener and one brother-in-law, W.J. Riepe.

Friends may call after 2 PM on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at King-Lynk Funeral Home where the family will meet with friends from 4-6 PM. There will be a wake service held at 6 PM following the visitation. The funeral mass will be held on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 10:30 AM at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church with Rev. Thomas Szydlak officiating. Burial will follow in Gethsemane Cemetery. A memorial has been established for Special Olympics Fort Madison, Iowa and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.



SANFORD

OBITUARIES

MARY C. TROUT

Mary Catherine Trout (O'Brien), beloved Mother and Grandmother, passed with family surrounding her on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 10:38 a.m. Mary was born in Dallas City, Illinois on October 23, 1924, the daughter of the late John O'Brien and Thelma Steele, sister to Alyce Lair and the late Ardys Gray.



TROUT

Mary graduated from Dallas City High School in 1943. Not long after, she met and married the love of her life, the late John E. Trout on August 23, 1945. The couple lived in Dallas City most of their lives, building a wonderful family of four children.

To anyone who knew Mary knew she was a wonderful soul and that she loved her family with all of her heart. She always had so many wonderful stories to share and up until the end she still had her spry sense of humor. She will be missed by many, but her light will shine on through the family that she created with her beloved husband.

Mary was preceded in death by her eldest son, Carl Emerson Trout, and two son-in-laws, the late Ronnie McDowell and Mike Brandon. She is survived by her son James Robert Trout and her daughters Carole Elaine McDowell and Sandra K. Brandon. From her three surviving children she was blessed with many grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 17, 2021 at the Byler Cemetery, 1950 East County Road 2600, Dallas City, Illinois. Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Dallas City is assisting the family. A memorial fund has been established for the Sunday School program at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Ft. Madison, Iowa, PAWS Animal Shelter or the Great River Hospice House. Contributions may be left at the graveside service or mailed to; Mary Trout Memorial, c/o Banks & Beals Funeral Home, PO Box 70, Dallas City, IL 62330. To leave a condolence, please visit Mary's obituary at banksandbeals.com.

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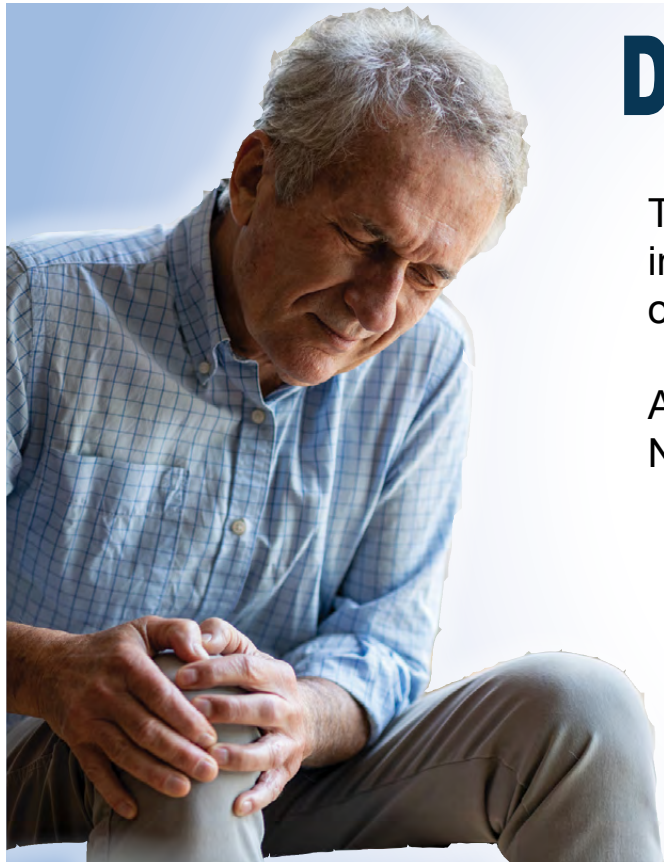
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For the Record/Local News

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

04/12/21 – 8:44 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft at the police department.
 04/12/21 – 5:09 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 3200 block of Avenue I.
 04/12/21 – 5:23 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Adrienne Nicole Marquez, 34, of Fort Madison, in the 1200 block of 48th Street on a charge of driving under suspension.
 04/13/21 – midnight – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1200 block of Avenue I.

ka, Mo., in the 100 block of W. Commercial St., in Kahoka, on a warrant for contempt of court. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 04/12/21 – 3:54 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a one-vehicle accident in the 2300 block of 300th Street. According to the report, a vehicle driven by John William Casey Browning, 26, of Montrose, claimed to have fallen asleep and entered the north ditch and got stuck in a culvert. No injuries were reported. Browning was charged with failure to maintain control. *Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

04/10/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls
 04/11/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical assists, one stranded boater, and one call of burnt food on a stove.
 04/12/21 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call and one gas leak.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

04/12/21 – 10:23 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Mariel Louise Christopher, 31, of Keokuk, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for violation of probation. He was taken to Lee County Jail.
 04/12/21 – 2:15 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Chance Jacob Sonnenburg, 23, of Kaho-



Photo courtesy of FMHS

Class of 1961 donates to FMHS courtyard

Greg Smith, principal at Fort Madison High School accepts a donation from Sharon Scholl-Nabulsi representing the Class of 1961 for the new FMHS Courtyard project. Those wishing to donate can get information by calling the high school at 319-372-1862.

Parks dept. looking for volunteers to adopt a garden

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Parks and Recreation Department's Adopt-A-Garden Program was established in order to provide the proper care and maintenance for the 31 flowerbeds located within Fort Madison's park system. Any group, organization or individual that is willing to get their hands dirty and help maintain a flowerbed are encouraged to contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 319-372-7700 ext. 201.

- Gardeners need to supply their own gardening tools and are encouraged to have all planting and clean up completed by June 30th or earlier.
- Growers are encouraged to plant both annuals and perennials. For guidance on low maintenance flowers, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department.

PARKS & RECREATION SERVICES

- Adoption recognition signs will be installed within the flower beds for those who commit to two years of service in the Adopt-A-Garden Program.
- The City will deliver dirt and mulch as well as remove clipping piles Monday through Friday.
- The City will reimburse up to \$100 per flower bed for the purchase of plants, flowers and items used in the flower bed.

VOLUNTEER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Adopt-A-Garden volunteers commit to maintaining their elected flower bed(s) from May through September. This includes spring and fall clean-up, purchasing and planting, and routine maintenance consisting of mulching, watering, weeding, and litter removal.

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Sports

Wiseman, Kruse take titles at last Pickford event

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On Sunday, Fort Madison's Henry Wiseman took 1st place in the freestyle 16 and under 115 to 128 lbs. Emmett Kruse of the Pickford Wrestling Club took 2nd in that division. Teague Smith of the Pickford Wrestling Club took 1st in the 16 and under 156-169 bracket and Owen Kruse took 1st in the Junior 132-144lb event.

Jakob McGowan of Fort Madison Kids Club took first in the juniors 172-177 division by knocking off Fort Madison's Isaac Thacher. Smith took 2nd and Gavin Wiseman was 3rd in the Juniors 158-169 in the freestyle event

In the Greco competition, Henry Wiseman took 1st place in the 16U 115-124. Owen Kruse captured the title in the junior 132-143 division. Emmett Kruse and Smith

earned 2nd place finishes and Thacher had a 3rd place finish.

Complete results:
**Mick Pickford Freestyle
Tourney results**

- 10U - 48lbs
- 1st Place - Colt Davidson of Sioux Falls
- 12U - 66 lbs
- 1st Place - Cadence Christensen of Albia
- 12U - 79 lbs
- 1st Place - Wyatt Davidson of Sioux Falls
- 2nd Place - Branz Manning of New London
- 12U 95-117
- 1st Place - Teyshawn Luckett of DC Elite
- 2nd Place - Owen Pugh of Monster USA Wrestling Club
- 14U - 111-115
- 1st Place - Garrett Evans of Agoge wrestling club
- 2nd Place - Drake Pospisil of Big Game Hunters Wrestling Club
- 14U - 124-130
- 1st Place - Cady Wild of Dark Knights Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Philip Jacobs of DC Elite
- 14U -143-151
- 1st Place - Barrett Mieras of Hard Drive Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Summit Keith of Washington
- 16U - 115-128
- 1st Place - Henry Wiseman of Fort Madison
- 2nd Place - Emmett Kruse of Pickford Wrestling Club

- 3rd Place - Skyler Beck of Monster USA Wrestling Club
- 16U - 128-134
- 1st Place - Nicholas Foreman of Big Game Hunters Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Alex Bumba of DC Elite
- 3rd Place - Avery White of Big Game Hunters Wrestling Club
- 16U - 156-169
- 1st Place - Teague Smith of Pickford Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Darrin Coffman of Van Buren
- 16U 168-177
- 1st Place - Kendal Pugh of Monster USA Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Isaac Thacher of Pickford Wrestling Club
- 16U - 209-285
- 1st Place - Wyatt Smith of Lisbon
- 2nd Place - Cesar Smithburg of Fairfield
- Junior 132-144
- 1st Place - Owen Kruse of Pickford Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Brodie Conner of Albia
- Junior 158-169
- 1st Place - Allen Catour of Dark Knights Wrestling Club
- 2nd Place - Teague Smith of Pickford Wrestling Club
- 3rd Place - Gavin Wiseman of Fort Madison
- Junior 172-177
- 1st Place - Jakob McGowan of Fort Madison Kids Club
- 2nd Place - Isaac Thacher of Pickford Wrestling Club
- Junior 198-209
- 1st Place - Tom Culp of Champions Wrestling Club



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Owen Kruse gets the upper hand on Albia's Brodie Conner Sunday during the Mick Pickford Freestyle Tournament at Fort Madison High School.

- 2nd Place - Nolan Simpson of Burlington Wrestling Club
- 3rd Place - Cesar Smithburg of Fairfield
- Junior 285
- 1st Place - Wyatt Smith of Lisbon
- Open 153
- 1st Place - Duncan Dellzell of Central College
- Open 193
- 1st Place - Josh Culp of Quincy

**Mick Pickford Greco
Tourney Results**

- 8U - 55
- 1st Place - Jonathan Kerker of USA Mat Club
- 14U - 124-130
- 1st Place - Cady Wild of Dark Knights Wrestling Club

- 2nd Place - Philip Jacobs of DC Elite
- 14U - 143
- 1st Place - Barrett Mieras of Hard Drive Wrestling Club
- 16U - 115-124
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Hound boys outdual Keokuk 5-4

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison boys tennis team held on for a 5-4 nail biter at home against Keokuk on Monday night.

The Hounds got their usual wins from Jason and Vasin Thurman and Nos. 1 and 2 singles and No. 1 doubles.

But it came down to a tight No. 3 doubles match between Fort Madison's Kadin Medland and Tyler Horn, who knocked off the Chief's Brendon Worster and Noah Kelly in a 7-5, 6-4 win to keep Fort Madison undefeated on the year.

Medland also got a win at No. 5 singles with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Worster. Kelly defeated Horn in the No. 6 slot in a tiebreaker 4-6, 6-3, 10-7.

Jason Thurman rolled past Abbott

Haner 6-0, 6-1 and Vasin Thurman dropped Callum Tackes 6-1, 6-1 at the top of the singles events.

Kaiden Stoneking then edged Fort Madison Levi Sissell 6-1, 6-4 at No. 3 singles. Ivan Lopez knocked off the Hounds Bryce Workman 6-1, 6-2 in the court to the east at No. 4 singles for a 3-3 tie at the end of singles play.

In doubles play the Thurman brothers knocked off Tackes and Stoneking 6-1, 6-0. Haner played in the No. 2 doubles spot for the Chiefs with Lopez and the two eased past Workman and Sissell 6-2, 6-1 setting up the No. 3 doubles match for the win.

The Hounds take on Burlington at Dankwardt Park on Thursday before returning home for a varsity match with Fairfield. Both events are 4:30 starts.

FM girls can't catch Keokuk, fall 4-5



BY PCC SPORTS

KEOKUK - The Fort Madison girls lost a tough 5-4 tennis match on the road in Keokuk Monday night and stand at 0-3 on the year.

Rachel Hellman, Camille Kruse and Lauren Otte all got wins in singles action.

Hellman won in the first-to-10 format at No. 2 singles with a 10-2 win over Jasmine Saunders. Kruse won a close 10-8 match over Kierra Huddleston at No. 4 singles, and Otte won 10-3 over Olivia Rule at No. 6.

Molly Knipe lost a 10-7 match to Emma Evans at No. 1 singles, while Kayla Kruse fell to Julia de Gala 10-6 at No. 3 singles. Abby Thompson downed Elizabeth Stuekerguergen 10-6 at No. 5, to leave the match tied heading into doubles play.

Knipe and Hellman fought off Evans and Huddleston at No. 1 doubles 11-10 stealing a 7-5 tiebreaker. But the Lady Hounds would fall at No. 2 and No. 3 doubles to drop the match.

Saunders and de Gala downed Camille and Kayla Kruse 10-6, while Thompson and Rule beat Otte and Stuekerguergen 10-3.

"Again, we are getting closer. We were a couple of shots and points away from a win tonight. Saw some really good things in singles and doubles. Looking forward to building off it," said Head Coach Jeremy Swink.



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Opinion

Where oh where are today's Bob Rays

It's hard for those of us of a certain vintage to realize it has been 39 years since Robert Ray was Iowa's governor.

In spite of the passage of so much time, his name was on the minds of many people last week.

What triggered the Bob Ray memories was Gov. Kim Reynolds' interview with WHO Radio on Thursday.

Reynolds was asked about the thousands of children, mostly from Central America, who are showing up this year at our border with Mexico without their parents. They arrive hoping to be allowed to live in the United States with relatives or sponsors, freeing them from the deadly violence and the grip of poverty so common where they came from.

Reynolds told WHO she has rejected the federal government request for Iowa to find temporary housing for about 300 of these unaccompanied refugee children. Iowa does not have adequate facilities to house them, she said, and the state already struggles to find foster families for Iowa kids.

"This is not our problem," she said bluntly. "This is the president's problem. He's the one that has opened the border, and he needs to be responsible for this and he needs to stop it."

In contrast, when a different humanitarian crisis grabbed the world's attention in 1979, this one involving the "boat people" from Southeast Asia, Gov. Ray's response was blunt, too. But his was different in tone and substance.

"I decided we couldn't sit here in the middle of Iowa — the land of plenty — and let them die," he said several years ago, referring to the tens of thousands trying to flee to safety in small, flimsy boats.

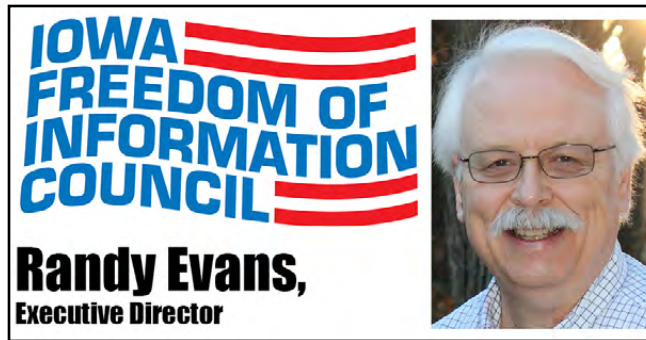
"I saw that we really only had two choices: We could either turn our backs as countless others suffered and died, or we could extend a hand to help and, in doing so, prevent tragic loss of innocent lives."

The refugee crisis began brewing in Southeast Asia 45 years ago as Communism was expanding. Ray never tried to assign blame and never said it was someone else's crisis to solve. Instead, his friend Kenneth Quinn, a former ambassador to Cambodia who grew up in Dubuque, explained the governor's motivation at Ray's funeral in 2018.

"When confronted by scenes of human suffering, Robert Ray responded, not as a political candidate doing an electoral calculation, but as a Christian following a moral imperative from the parable of the Good Samaritan," Quinn said.

Without question, the refugee flood today is a humanitarian crisis. Thousands of children are showing up at our southern border every week without parents or guardians. The Biden administration has not responded as quickly as it could have, or should have.

But Reynolds opened herself up to criticism, too, for her glib "This is not our



problem" response to WHO. Her answer came across as cold-hearted and lacking compassion.

The immigration problems along the Mexican border have sharply divided our nation. That makes it difficult to find consensus for how the U.S. should respond.

Lest anyone think Ray had it easier in the 1970s when the issue of refugees from Vietnam, Cambodian and Laos was building, the U.S. was torn apart then by our protracted involvement in the war and by the military draft. And Iowans worried aloud that refugees would take jobs away from people here.

There was plenty of anxiety in Southeast Asia, too, as Communists expanded their hold on the region as the war drew to an end. People there who supported South Vietnam's government and the American presence feared for their safety and for the wellbeing of their families.

There were few places where families with names like Vongpanya and Khamphanoung, Baccam and Huynh, could find security after the U.S. military and diplomats pulled out of South Vietnam in April 1975.

But under Bob Ray's leadership, Iowa wrapped its arms around these families in communities all across the state. No one expects Iowa will be able to solve today's refugee problem. But Iowa can help ease the crisis, just as we did 40 years ago.

The refugee children today were pointed toward the United States by parents who hoped their children could escape the poverty and violence that have ravaged many parts of Central America and Mexico.

Although details of the crisis in Southeast Asia and the crisis in Central America are not the same, there is a fundamental similarity: Both involve people wanting the same thing our own ancestors wanted when they came to this place called Iowa. It is the same thing that has motivated immigrants since the beginning of time: a brighter, more secure, future with better opportunities for themselves and their children.

Iowa communities rallied 40 years ago to provide housing, jobs and stability for the Asian refugees. There is little doubt that we would do the same for today's refugee children, if given the opportunity.


There is still time for Reynolds to reconsider her response to the federal government's request. There is still time for her to remember what Robert Ray demonstrated so wisely: The very best politicians know when it is time to campaign and when it is time to lead.

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PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL 4/6/2021

The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, 4/6/2021, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Andrews, Bowker, Lair, Schulz, Rink, Cangas and Amandus present. This meeting was held with Council and staff present but was also available 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: Min-

utes of 3/16/2021; Payroll of 3/26/2021; March Manual Claims, March Financial Report, March Library Claims, Claims Dated April 1, 2021; New Liquor License: Rock's Docks, 902 - 4th Street, and Liquor License Renewals: LULAC, 1414 - 38th Street, and Walgreens, 2639 Avenue L. Charles Craft gave a report on Riverfest. On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 11, by adding a new Section 11, and Title 3, Chapter 2, by adding a new Section 4. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-19, approving and authorizing Amendment to Loan and Disbursement Agreement by and between the City

of Fort Madison and the Iowa Finance Authority and authorizing and providing for the reissuance of the Water Revenue Capital Loan Note, Series 2011 (Rate Reset), of the City. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-20, determining the necessity and fixing date for a public hearing on the matter of the adoption of a proposed Amended City-Wide Urban Revitalization Plan for the City-Wide Urban Revitalization Area. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-21, granting property tax exemption for: Douglas E/Melinda L Blind, at 417 Crescent Lane (kitchen remodel). On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on a Three-Year Lease Agreement

with Riverfest, LLC. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on a Three-Year Lease Agreement with Building Materials, Inc. On motion, Council accepted the Civil Service Commission's Entry Level Police Officer Eligibility List. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on Change Order No. 7 for PIP 2018-04, Reconstruction of Old Hwy. 61, 2nd to 6th Street. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on Change Order No. 1 for PIP 2020-03, Phase 2 Parking Lots. At 6:52 P.M., the meeting adjourned until April 20, 2021, at 5:30 P.M. /s/ Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor ATTEST: /s/ Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

EXPENDITURES

General	\$217,711.80
Special Revenue	157,210.23
Road Use	40,082.28
Capital	111,287.78
Water	86,529.91
Sewer	69,426.60
Solid Waste/IWC	14,323.74
Storm Water Util.	2,222.27
Total	\$698,794.61

REVENUES

General	\$ 64,173.63
Special Rev.	247,086.92
Road Use	48,002.57
Debt	978.66
Capital	15,669.92
Water	324,820.17
Sewer	893,228.93
Solid Waste/IWC	75,048.35
Storm Water Util.	20,414.55
Total	\$1,689,423.70

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General	\$ 182,591.97
Old Fort	2,777.52
Employee Bnfts	7,694.68
Road Use	28,509.35
Tourism	566.18
Water	29,680.95
Sewer	40,428.53
Solid Waste	12,020.15
Airport	488.51
Storm Water	3,738.50
Total	\$308,496.34

CLAIMS 4/6/2021

3E ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, LIGHTS560.00
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING, PRINTER LEASE900.85
AHLERS & COONEY,

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ANSWER IOWA, ANSWERING SERVICE188.00
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES, UNIFORM1,128.27
AUDITOR OF STATE, 2019/2020 FILING FEE625.00
B&B PROPANE, HEAT253.12
BARCO MUNICIPAL PROD INC., PARTS568.84
BATES SANITATION & ASPHALT, PORTA-POTTIE RENTAL150.00
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC, REPLACEMENT BATTERY279.98
BREUER TOWING & RECOVERY, TOWING CHRG85.00
BROWN SUPPLY CO. INC., PVC PIPE/ELBOW1,915.50
BURLINGTON MUNI WATER, BACTERIA SAMPLES85.00
CALHOUN-BURNS AND ASSOCIATION, PROF FEE - BROS SWAP5,454.60
CARL'S LOCKS & KEYS, ENTRY HANDLE/ADJUST DOCK LOCKS313.75
CESSFORD CONSTRUCTION CO., COLD MIX1,239.75
COMMUNITY HEATING & COOLING, INSTALLED HEATER3,238.38
CPA ASSOCIATES PC, 2019/2020 AUDIT27,800.00
DAVIS RADIOLOGY PC, PRE-EMPLOYMENT50.00
DFI TOTAL BUSINESS SOLUTION, WATER BILL POSTCARDS2,296.19
DIGITAL ALLY, CHEST CAMERA600.00
DODD PRINTING & STATIONERY, EXHIBIT SIGNS176.33
DOUDS STONE, LLC, ROADSTONE2,232.77
EASYPERMIT POSTAGE, NUISANCES POSTAGE1,000.00
FASTENAL COMPANY, PB BLASTER146.55
FORT MADISON WATER DEPT, WATER27.59
GARNER OIL INC., FUEL132.64
GRAINGER, 8 PIN RELAY50.96
GRAY QUARRIES, INC, SUPER PATCH3,789.50
GREAT RIVER REGIONAL WASTE, INTEGRATED WASTE5,091.83
GREENWOOD CLEANING SYSTEM, DETERGENT/PAPER PRODUCTS192.27
HACH CHEMICAL CO., TESTING SUPPLIES2,464.24
HOLT SUPPLY COMPANY, PVC BUSHING92.98
HOWARD R GREEN COMPANY, PROF FEE - FMCH TRAIL155,370.18

HUFFMAN WELDING & MACHINE, OXYGEN/ACETYLENE1,044.04
HUMBURD'S AUTO SERVICE, TIRE REPAIR31.86
HY-VEE FOOD STORE, COLLECTION FEE33.65
INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC MOTORS, GRINDER179.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES, SCHOOL/NO PARKING SIGNS411.90
JL TIME & ATTENDANCE COMPANY, TIME CLOCK SUBSCRIPTION278.05
KARL JUDD, FLASH DRIVES74.88
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE RENTAL/SHIPPING/PARTS1,427.17
L.N. CURTIS & SONS, UNIFORM243.46
LIBERTY UTILITIES, HEAT2,005.60
LYNCH DALLAS P.C., PROF FEE - GENERAL4,859.88
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, INC, CHAIN123.64
MARTIN EQUIPMENT REPAIR, SENSOR183.27
MCFARLAND, GLOVES269.96
MENKE PROFESSIONAL AUTO PARTS, V-BELT147.05
MES-MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICE, ROPE (RED/BLUE)619.58
MID AMERICAN ENERGY CO., HEAT6,307.69
MOTION INDUSTRIES INC, BRAKE ASSEMBLY158.61
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY COMPANY, CURB BOX/COUPLINGS/TRACER647.35
NFPA, FIRE MEMBERSHIP175.00
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS, PARTS/SUPPLIES911.56
POSTMASTER, FORT MADISON WATER BILLS/PAST DUES1,414.28
QUILL CORPORATION, PRINTER396.86
RAINBO OIL COMPANY, MULTIFAK1,489.18
RATHBUN REG'L WATER ASSOC, WATER21.73
RAY O'HERRON CO., UNIFORM113.73
RHINO INDUSTRIES, INC., CHEMICALS1,400.00
SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY, L.L.C., BOOTS425.90
SELECTIVE INS. CO OF SOUT, FLOOD INSURANCE1,428.00
SERVICE MASTER, WATER RESTORATION4,281.03
SHOTTENKIRK SUPERSTORE, HEADLIGHT/BRAKES/OIL1,255.52
SIRCHIE, COLLECTION JAR/GAUGE50.93
STANARD & ASSOCIATES INC, TESTING MATERIALS45.50

STANLEY CONSULTANTS INC, PROF FEE - WW PRETREATMENT1,781.25
SUBSURFACE SOLUTIONS, SPIRAL STAKES81.31
TESTAMERICA INC., SLUDGE TEST497.18
TIM'S REPAIR SHOP, OIL/FUEL179.90
TRANSYSTEMS, BRIDGE SURVEY107,533.52
TRUCK REPAIR INC., DRUMS/SHOES1,921.64
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, SOFTWARE SUPPORT252.50
U.S. CELLULAR, PHONES1,506.22
UPS, SHIPPING11.26
USA BLUE BOOK, THERMOMETERS1,405.31
VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC, PROF FEE - 10TH ST COMB SWR18,685.36
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED, CHEMICALS10,526.66
WIGEN WATER TECHNOLOGIES, FILTREK ORING71.71
WOODROFFE SAWMILL INC, GL LUMBER FOR PORCH860.00
TOTAL433,820.03
GENERAL144,448.24
SPECIAL REVENUES46,902.72
ROAD USE12,038.84
CAPITAL PROJECTS111,287.78
WATER62,570.86
WASTEWATER43,387.01
SOLID WASTE10,921.70
AIRPORT200.61
STORM WATER2,062.27
TOTAL433,820.03

MANUALS - 3/2021

ALLIANT ENERGY, ELECTRIC21,209.24
B&B PROPANE, HEAT1,599.80
CENTURY LINK, PHONE67.69
HY-VEE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, MEDICINE/PAPER PRODUCTS143.67
ICAP, TORT LIABILITY INSURANCE120,589.00
JET GAS, TANKWAGON MARINA FUEL6,818.63
PERMAR SECURITY SERVICES, SECURITY45.60
RATHBUN REG'L WATER ASSOC, WATER28.09
VERIZON WIRELESS, PHONES320.08
WELLMARK BC/BS, WELLMARK BC/BS91,948.04
WEX BANK, FUEL11,680.76
TOTAL254,450.60
GENERAL67,471.36
SPECIAL REVENUES101,994.68
ROAD USE28,043.44

WATER23,959.05
WASTEWATER26,039.59
SOLID WASTE3,402.04
AIRPORT3,380.44
STORM WATER160.00
TOTAL254,450.60

LIBRARY CLAIMS 3.2021

AMAZON.COM, CORDS53.97
BAKER & TAYLOR, LIBRARY MATERIAL1,758.94
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING, LIBRARY MATERIAL30.95
CENGAGE LEARNING, LIBRARY MATERIAL74.07
CENTER POINT, LARGE PRINT LIBRARY MATERIAL2,426.76
DEMCO, SIGN HOLDERS168.8
J&S ELECTRONIC BUSINESS, PROGRAM ON NEW COMPUTER89.8
KANOPY, INC., LIBRARY MATERIAL16
MEDIACOM, TELEPHONE354.13
MID AMERICAN ENERGY CO., HEAT554.6
MOBILE BEACON, LINKZONE72
PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE, LIBRARY MATERIAL33.75
QUILL CORPORATION, TAPE/PENCIL SHARPENER99.64
SERVICE MASTER OF FORT MA, JANITORIAL SERVICE905.1
SHOWCASES, CD ALBUM180.34
WORLD BOOK INC, LIBRARY MATERIAL2,230.95
WT.COX INFORMATION SERVICES, LIBRARY MATERIAL1,474.18
TOTAL10,523.98
GENERAL5,792.20
SPECIAL REVENUES4731.78
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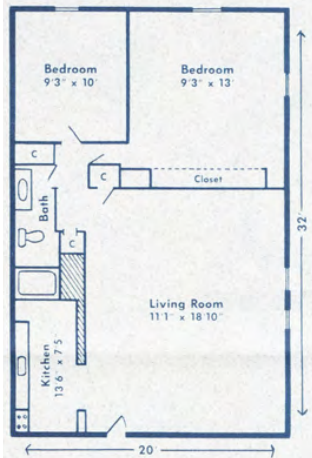
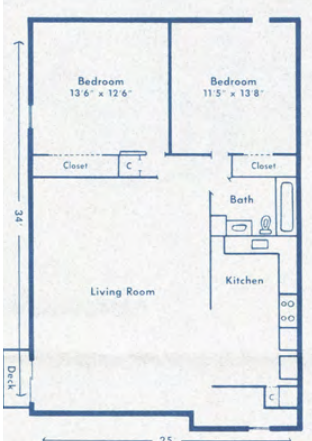
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From the Front

Groups still needed for Paint-A-Thon

PAINT-A-THON - Continued from Page 1

have their homes painted free of cost so they can use their income to cover other important costs, such as medication, groceries and utility bills. Residents will apply to have the exterior of their homes painted, then volunteers from civic groups, churches and businesses lend a helping hand to paint, and local businesses and residents donate supplies. This community beautification effort is a great way to help those who qualify to maintain their property (therefore helping your property values), increase energy efficiency, beautify the community and lend a helping hand to someone that may not be able to do it on their own.

Who Can Volunteer?

The Paint-A-Thon is a major volunteer event. It takes 15 to 20 people per house to paint a home and one volunteer leader. Volunteers will need to be available at some point during the hours of 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. throughout the week of April 26th.

Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age (parental/guardian signature on waiver will be required) to be a part of a team and willing to put in the work to get the house ready, painted and yard cleaned up. Waivers will need to be signed by all volunteers.

Volunteers are needed from businesses, churches, schools, industry, social service and civic groups, etc. We will need a "Team Leader" to be a point of contact that can then pass information along to their volunteers (teammates). We will be looking for people who can crawl up ladders (if needed) and able to stand for long periods of time during this process.

All are welcome to participate but the team leader will be responsible for delegating the tasks to those team members- knowing any limitations

Get Involved



they may have. This project is great for anyone looking for an opportunity to help out others in the community.

If you or your group is interested in volunteering, contact Fort Madison Partners via email at tgobble@fortmadison.com.

The Paint-a-Thon is a collaborative effort between Community Action of Southeast Iowa, Kempker's True Value & Rental, Inc and Fort Madison Beautification Foundation. This is a partnership venture to get something started for the betterment of Fort Madison. Monetary or supply donations are being accepted to help off-set costs associated with the supplies needed for the Paint A Thon.

J&J allocations for Iowa stopped for two weeks

VACCINE - Continued from Page 1

Tuesday advising all Iowa vaccine providers to pause administration of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine until more details on the issues are confirmed.

Joe Rashid, owner of Rashid Pharmacy and Wellness in Fort Madison, has indicated his office is no longer providing the vaccine until further guidance is obtained from state and federal officials.

The CDC and FDA are reviewing data involving six reported U.S. cases of a rare and severe type of blood clot in individuals after receiving the J&J vaccine. Right now, these adverse events appear to be extremely rare.

Read the statement issued by the CDC here.

According to the CDC, as of April 12, more than 6.8 million doses of the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccine have been administered in the U.S. CDC and FDA are reviewing data involving six reported U.S. cases of a rare and severe type of blood clot in individuals after receiving the J&J vaccine.

In these cases, a type of blood clot called cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (CVST) was seen in combination with low levels of blood platelets (thrombocytopenia). All six cases occurred among women between the ages of 18 and 48, and symptoms occurred 6 to 13 days after vaccination.

Treatment of this specific type of blood clot is different from the treatment that might typically be administered. Usually, an anticoagulant drug called heparin is used to treat blood clots. In this setting, administration of heparin may be dangerous, and alternative treatments need to be given.

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