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Deputies nab robbers

EARLY MORNING: Des Moines County robbery spills over into Lee County

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR



WEBER

vehicle they were riding in hit stop sticks that were deployed.

Then reports came into LeeComm referencing another stolen vehicle just after 5 a.m. in northern Lee County near Bridgeport. Weber said deputies swarmed the area in case the vehicle was taken by the suspects sought in connection with the robbery.

While deputies were in the area, a call came in that two

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DENMARK – Lee County deputies apprehended two men in connection with a suspected armed robbery out of Des Moines County early Thursday morning.

Authorities were alerted to suspects being pursued by Henry County and Des Moines County deputies after an armed robbery took place at the Outpost Bar and Grill in Burlington.

Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber said the two suspects were able to elude deputies on foot near Geode State Park after the

CENTRAL LEE

Board to give staff one-time COVID bonus

District to use COVID relief funds for \$1,000 and \$750 bonuses

BY PCC STAFF

DONNELSON — At its meeting Tuesday night, the Central Lee Board of Education unanimously passed a bonus for all district staff who return for the 2022-23 school year.

The bonus is in addition to a 3 percent employee salary increase for next year.

“Over the past two years, our staff members have overcome so many challenges to meet the needs of our students. By providing this bonus, we want to show our appreciation for the very best school staff in southeast Iowa,” said Dr. Andy Crozier, Superintendent. “We also hope that this bonus will help us retain our incredibly talented and hard-working employees as we approach the next school year. In this way, we look to help address the labor shortage affecting school districts in Iowa and across the country. We know that it is our staff on why students choose to be at Central Lee.”



CROZIER

In recent weeks, district leadership and the board have worked to determine appropriate bonus levels, aiming to reduce disparities among employee groups.

Teachers, administrators, full-year office staff, full-year management staff and bus drivers will each receive \$1,000. Associates, building secretaries, custodians, salaried staff and cooks will each receive \$750.

All full-time staff returning for next school year and who sign a contract this spring are eligible for the bonus, which will be distributed in November 2022. The district will be using federal COVID relief funds for this expenditure.

Crozier said the bonuses are not part of the incentives that Gov. Kim Reynolds announced in her Condition of the State address earlier this year. He said the bonuses will be paid with federal education stimulus money that was allocated in 2020.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Morgan Krogmeier stands by her HTC Science Fair project Wednesday night. Krogmeier did a study on the impact of the number of trestles on a bridge to the weight-bearing properties of the bridge.

HANCOCK COUNTY

Hancock County deputies arrest two on burglary, theft charges

BY PCC STAFF

HANCOCK COUNTY – Two Hancock County residents have been arrested in connection with burglary and thefts earlier this week.

Hancock County Sheriff Travis Duffy reported that on Monday February 7, sheriff’s deputies took a report of a retail theft at the Warsaw, Dollar General.

An investigation into this matter was ongoing when a report of a burglary came in from 715 Crawford Street in Warsaw, IL on February 8, 2022 at approximately 6 p.m.

Two suspects were taken into custody a short time later.

Kristen M. Gollhofer, age 36, was taken into custody at 700 Tompkins Street in Warsaw.

Joseph D. Leeper, age 46, fled that scene on foot and was later taken into custody at 16 Geode Drive in Warsaw, IL.

After further investigation into both reports Gollhofer was charged with Burglary for the Crawford Street incident and Leeper was charged with Retail

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

RALPH W. KEMPF

Ralph W. Kempf, 76, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 8:45 PM at his home.



KEMPF

He was born on February 22, 1945 in Eldon, IA to Ralph and Vivian Cudworth Kempf. Ralph retired from the Santa Fe Railroad after several years of service. He loved doing anything outdoors, especially hunting, fishing, trapping and mushrooming. He was an avid collector of almost everything including Indian artifacts and guns. Ralph also enjoyed sitting on his porch and watching traffic during the warmer months.

Survivors include three brothers, Gary Kempf of What Cheer, IA, Donald Kempf of Hedrick, IA and Paul Kempf of Hillsboro, IA and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Henry Kempf and three sisters, Carolyn Sanderson, Wilda Prevett and Gloria Conyers.

Per his wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A celebration of life will take place at a later date with a burial to be held in Iowaville Cemetery, Selma, IA.

Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

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OBITUARIES

PAULA L. WRIGHT

Paula Louise Wright, 68, of Keokuk, IA died Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at Blessing Health Keokuk.



WRIGHT

She was born July 16, 1953 in Beardstown, IL the daughter of William and Mary Thurman Watkins. Paula graduated from Carthage High School in Carthage, IL, with the class of 1971. She furthered her education at Western Illinois University in Macomb, IL, where she received her Bachelor's degree and was a member of the school's sky diving team.

Paula was united in marriage to John Lasley. He preceded her in death on September 7, 1983. She later was united in marriage to Darren Lorenz on October 13, 1990. They later divorced.

Paula had been the owner of Madhatters in Keokuk for many years. She had been employed by Freuhauf/Wabash in Montrose, IA and later owned and operated Wright Place Restaurant in Carthage, IL.

Paula loved to cook and made wonderful meals for her family and friends to enjoy. She was a caring and gentle person who loved spending time with her family. Paula loved collecting frogs and had a large frog collection.

She is survived by one daughter, Kristianna Lorenz (Matthew McClain) of Keokuk, her adopted children, Karen Krisl (Tom) and Brian Boyd, one adopted grandchild, Samantha Boyd, her father, William Watkins of Fountain Green, IL one brother, James Watkins (Pam) of Fountain Green, IL and one sister, Christal Watkins-Hicks of Fountain, Green, IL. Paula was like a mother to many and a grandmother to their children including, Megan Rinderknecht (Daren), Shyla LaVelle (Zach), Dawn Craig (Delbert), Leah Harl (Wil), RJ Wright, Jeremy Wright (Di), Cody Lutzen and the Arrowood families, Leslie Asbury (Jazz) and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Thurman Crews and her husband, John Lasley.

A graveside will be held at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk with Pastor Derek Olsen officiating.

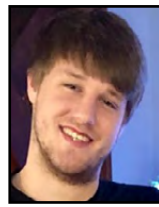
Visitation will be held prior to the service from 12 noon - 2:00 p.m., Tuesday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to Multiple Sclerosis Association.

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

AARON P. BOWEN

Aaron Patrick Bowen, 20, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 1:45 PM at his home.



BOWEN

He was born on July 22, 2001 in West Burlington to William and Michela Farnett Bowen. Aaron attended Ft. Madison High School and was currently working at Casey's East in Ft. Madison. He loved music, especially playing the guitar. He enjoyed spending time with his family, being outdoors and going to the cabin. He was an avid AC/DC fan and had an amazing sense of humor. Aaron also enjoyed watching horror movies.

Survivors include his parents, William and Michela Bowen of Ft. Madison; a daughter, Patience Bowen of Ft. Madison; his sister, Allison (Tristen) Dickerson of Ft. Madison; his girlfriend, Josie Frank- Worley of Ft. Madison; paternal grandma, Bonnie Bowen of Ft. Madison; maternal grandparents, Michael and Pamela Farnett of Burlington; maternal great grandma, Rose Baldwin of Burlington; aunts and uncles, Chad and Marsha Bowen of Ft. Madison, Doug and Lorrin Bowen of Ft. Madison, Christopher Farnett of Burlington and Robert and Nicole Farnett of Castle Pines, CO and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandpa, Mike Bowen.

Friends may call after 2 PM on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory where the family will meet with friends from 4-5:30 PM. A celebration of life will follow at 5:30 PM at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in his memory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

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Obituaries/From the Front

Robbery at Burlington bar spills over into Lee County

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possible suspects were in the Denmark JetStop.

"I was in town and turned around and headed back to the store and other deputies responded to the scene. One suspect took off out the door and was chased down by deputies Clint Wray and Dustin Johnson. Deputy Chad Donaldson and I apprehended the other at the door," Weber said.

The two men were taken to Lee County Sheriff's Department where officers from Burlington Police conducted interviews. The two could be charged in Lee County with interference and theft pending an investigation of the events.

Weber said no weapons were recovered on the individuals.

Arrested in connection with the robbery were two juveniles from Keokuk and two male adults from Keokuk. The juveniles were apprehended after the vehicle hit the stop sticks.

Police have identified Noah Christopher Scott, 18, and Samuel-Evon Christopher Robert McCoy, 22, of Keokuk as being taken into custody by Lee County Sheriff's deputies.

Scott and McCoy were both charged with two counts of first-degree robbery and conspiracy to commit a forcible felony, and were transferred to the Des Moines County Correctional Center. They are being held pending a hearing.

The juveniles were both taken to the Southeast Iowa Juvenile Detention Center in Montrose.

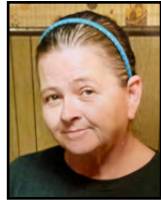
According to reports, officers responded to a report of a robbery at gunpoint at the Outpost Bar and Grill at around 12:54 a.m. Thursday morning. At least two of the suspects allegedly entered the bar and took an undisclosed amount of cash and items from patrons.

Police attempted to stop the suspects' vehicle at Mt. Pleasant Street and Roosevelt in Burlington but the driver refused to stop and led officers on a chase westbound hitting speeds of 100 mph. Stop sticks were used to disable the vehicle and the suspects attempted to flee on foot.

OBITUARIES

JEANNE M. BURNER

Jeanne Marie Burner, 61, of Fort Madison, Iowa died Thursday, February 3, 2022 at the Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center, West Burlington, Iowa. She was born March 20, 1960, a daughter of Gerald and Dolores (Dowdall) Miller. She married Thomas Burner and they had three sons: Tommy, Scott & Bobby. They later divorced.



BURNER

Jeanne was a great friend to all that knew her. She enjoyed her rock and roll, frog knick knacks, cooking, saving plants and movies. She loved animals, especially her cats: Imis, Tommy Boy and Smokey. She loved talking to her boys and family, especially her grandkids.

She is survived by three sons: Tommy Burner, of Fort Madison, Iowa; Scott Burner, of West Burlington, Iowa; Bobby Burner, of Fort Madison, Iowa; four siblings: Janet (Wayne) Rush, Jerilyn Bergthold, Judy Burner and Jerry Miller; two grandchildren: Chloe and Emma; special friend, Chad Yager, of Wever, Iowa and other family members and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Per her wishes, her body has been cremated.

Barr Memorial Chapel is honored to serve the Jeanne Burner family and an online guest book may be found at www.barrmemorialchapel.com.

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Sports/From the Front

Johnson gets 100th win as HTC advances in regionals



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Holy Trinity Catholic Head Coach Tony Johnson celebrated his 100th win with HTC as the Crusaders downed New London 74-47. At left, the Crusaders' Teagan Snaadt defends against New London in HTC's opening-round win over New London in regional action Thursday night.

Crusaders move to quarters against Winfield-Mt. Union Tuesday night.

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

FORT MADISON – Getting to 100 career wins was a big deal, Holy Trinity coach Tony Johnson said.

Getting that first win to start the postseason was important as well.

The Crusaders' 74-47 win over New London on Thursday night in a Class 1A regional first-round game was a milestone for the coach, but it was also a sign of improvement for his team.

"We got back on track offensively," Johnson said. "We did some good stuff. Of course me, I've got to nitpick. There's stuff to clean up before the next game."

Holy Trinity (11-11) plays at Winfield-Mount Union

(18-4) in next Tuesday's quarterfinal. New London ended the season at 1-22.

An early 9-0 run gave the Crusaders a 16-7 lead at the end of the first quarter, and then an 8-0 run in the second quarter put them into command with a 26-11 lead.

It was an improvement over Monday's 57-42 loss to Fort Madison, when Holy Trinity was outscored 22-2 in the third quarter after leading 23-21 at halftime.

"We've had games recently where we've had that one bad quarter that's hurt us, and we didn't have that tonight," Johnson said. "We've been close in so many games. It's good to get a win for our confidence."

The key, Johnson said, was getting better ball movement on offense.

"Don't settle for bad shots or forced shots," he said. "There were times I preached to keep the ball moving. A lot of the time, it stalls out. Ball stalls out on top or on the wing. Tonight we moved it around a lot better."

Holy Trinity led by as much as 28 points in the second half.

Mary Kate Bendlage and Natalie Randolph each had 18 points to lead the Crusaders.

Johnson said getting to the 100-win mark was special. "It means a lot," he said. "A lot. It's all about the kids. It's a big deal, because I love all the girls who played for me. It's a big deal for me, because all of them meant something."

"Now we have to get ready for whoever we have to play next."

Warsaw investigations lead to arrests of Illinois man, woman

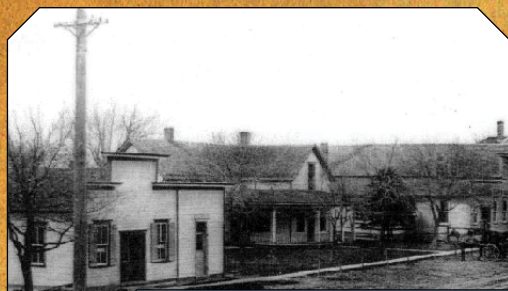
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Theft – Enhanced for the Dollar General incident. Golliher also had an active failure to appear warrant.

Golliher and Leeper both were lodged in the Hancock County Jail and had an initial court appearances Wednesday. Leeper's bond was set at \$2500 10% to apply. Golliher's bond will be set by the court Thursday.

Both investigations are ongoing and further charges may be filed.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
LEE COUNTY BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
January 24, 2022**

The Lee County Board of Supervisors met at the Lee County Administrative Building in Fort Madison on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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

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

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

There was no Public Input.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Harlow, to appoint XIPHOS as the County Pipeline Inspector for the NuStar and Greenway Pipelines. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Harlow-aye, Seyb-aye, Larkin-aye and Pflug-aye. Motion carried.

The Board was introduced to the new Conservation Director, Heather Huebner.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve a Detour Revocation and compensation for rerouting traffic onto W46 during the Hwy 2 construction in 2021, in the amount of \$6,375.66 from the Iowa DOT. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Larkin, to approve a Detour Revocation and compensation for rerouting traffic onto J40 during the Hwy 2 construction in 2021, in the amount of \$25,502.64 from the Iowa DOT. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Harlow to approve Resolution #2022-37. Roll call: Larkin-aye, Harlow-aye, Seyb-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye.

RESOLUTION # 2022-37

PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE LEE COUNTY PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION PLAN FOR LEE COUNTY, IOWA, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE ROBERT T. STAFFORD DISASTER RELIEF AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ACT, AS AMENDED BY THE DISASTER MITIGATION ACT OF 2000.

WHEREAS, As the governing body of the un-

incorporated areas of Lee County, the Lee County Board of Supervisors has the authority to review and approve all hazard mitigation plans; and

WHEREAS, 44 CFR Part 201, Hazard Mitigation Planning, establishes criteria for local hazard mitigation planning authorized by 322 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), as amended by 104 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Act specifies that after November 1, 2003, local governments seeking Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) funds through a State application must have an approved local mitigation plan prior to the approval of local mitigation project grants; plan development is key to maintaining eligibility for future mitigation and disaster recovery funding; and

WHEREAS, federal requirements 201.6(c)(5) specifies that this approval must have, "documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of the jurisdiction requesting approval of the plan"; and

WHEREAS, The Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division has been designated as the agent responsible for the preparation of plans and programs for hazard mitigation and disaster emergency management for the State of Iowa and has secured mitigation grants on behalf of the County in the past; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Lee County, Iowa that the Lee County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan of 2022, attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and which by reference is made a part hereof, is approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors or his designated representative is hereby directed to act as the authorized representative to enter into necessary contracts/agreements with State and Federal Agencies for the approval and support of this plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this plan be in compliance with applicable federal and

state statutes, rules and regulations; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Administrator of the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.

Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Fedler, to approve an ARPA Funding Request from K-Play for a splash pad in the amount of \$15,000. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Larkin, to approve an amended Pandemic Policy. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Seyb, to approve Resolution #2022-19. Roll call: Larkin-aye, Seyb-aye, Fedler-aye, Harlow-aye and Pflug-aye.

RESOLUTION #2022-19

BE IT RESOLVED this 24th day of January, 2022 the appointment of the COUNTY COMPENSATION COMMISSION IN EMINENT DOMAIN

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Kevin Adams, Fort Madison

Tamara Dietsch, Fort Madison

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.

Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Larkin, to approve Resolution #2022-36. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Larkin-aye, Seyb-aye, Harlow-aye and Pflug-aye.

Resolution #2022-36

RESOLUTION ABATING CERTAIN TAXES AND DIRECTING THE TREASURER TO REMOVE THE PROPERTY FROM THE COUNTY SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Lee County Treasurer has submitted a written application for removal of a certain mobile home from the county system and the abatement of the taxes as uncollectible; and

WHEREAS, Section 445.16 provides in its material part:

If the Treasurer determines that it is impractical to pursue collection of the total amount due through tax sale and the personal judgment remedies, the treasurer shall make a written recommendation to the board of supervisors to abate the amounts due. The board of supervisors shall abate, by resolution, the amount due and direct the treasurer to strike the amount due from the county system.

Accordingly, NOW THEREFORE, based upon the written request by the Treasurer of Lee County pursuant to section 445.16 the Board of Supervisors hereby by this Resolution abates the amount due and directs the Treasurer to strike the amount due from the county system on the following mobile home. The mobile home shall be removed from the county

system.

Owner: Sarah Leann Boudreau 1991 NORT mobile home VIN—al-nr08908014s11034 Title: 56AB02337

Dated and signed at Fort Madison, Iowa on this the 24th day of January, 2022.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.

Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Harlow, to approve four tax abatement resolutions. Roll call: Larkin-aye, Harlow-aye, Seyb-aye, Fedler-aye and Pflug-aye.

RESOLUTION #2022-38

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the application of: Dennis and Katy Anderson 1113 110th Street Hillsboro IA 52630

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 404.3, 3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of Iowa.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2022.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.

Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2022-39

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee

County, Iowa; and, WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the application of: James and April Johnson 2407 280th Street Montrose IA 52639

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 404.3, 3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of Iowa.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2022.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.

Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2022-40

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the application of: Matthew and Elizabeth Pollpeter 604 Magnolia Lane Denmark IA 52624

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 404.3, 3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of Iowa.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2022.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.

Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Classifieds/Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICES

Rick Larkin, Member.
Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise,
Auditor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2022-41

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Lee County has by Ordinance Number VI-11 adopted a plan for a County-wide Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption District in Lee County, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 404.4 provides for prior approval of eligibility for a tax exemption by the governing body of the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LEE COUNTY, IOWA, that they hereby approve the application of: Richard and Margaret Gobart 2361 Walker Lane Keokuk IA 52632

For exemption from taxation according to the provisions of Iowa Code Section 404.3, 3. Said applications shall be forwarded to the County Assessor for review pursuant to the provisions of Section 404.5 Code of Iowa.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2022.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Garry Seyb, Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rich Harlow, Member and /s/ Rick Larkin, Member.
Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Harlow, to approve the Monday, January 17, 2022 Board minutes. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Harlow, to approve the payment of claims. Motion carried.

Moved by Seyb, seconded by Fedler, to approve a step increase for Robert Stidham, Correctional Officer, from \$18.11/hr. to \$20.91/hr., effective 1/22/22 and a new hire for the IT Department, Kevin Harter, Director, \$80,000/annually, effective 2/16/22. Motion carried.

Received and filed a Manure Management Annual Update for Pomberg Farms in Pleasant Ridge Township.

Committee Reports: Larkin reported on a Community Action Board meeting and a Workforce Development Board meeting. Seyb reported on a Keokuk Homeless Shelter Fundraiser. Pflug reported on a 911 Board meeting.

At 10:45 a.m. a motion was made by Harlow, seconded by Seyb, to

adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Claims paid January 24, 2022

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| A Abueg, svcs..... | 150.00 |
| Access Enrgy, svcs | 742.37 |
| AgriLand, fuel..... | 286.68 |
| Alliant Enrgy, svcs | 1543.02 |
| Artistic Clnrs, svcs.... | 35.00 |
| Atlantic Costal, svcs | 371.65 |
| Auto Glass Mstrs, svcs | 291.77 |
| B&B Propane, fuel.. | 10.00 |
| CenturyLink, svcs.... | 70.07 |
| Coast/Coast, mtrls.. | 87.99 |
| Commerce Bank | |
| 4imprint, pens..... | 869.47 |
| Access Systems, svcs | 274.89 |
| Adobe, sftwr..... | 14.99 |
| Aldi's, food..... | 42.12 |
| Amer Hrt Shop, instr | 46.32 |
| Amtrak, tkcts..... | 86.00 |
| Amazon, splys | 7819.01 |
| APCO, dues..... | 96.00 |
| Applebee's, meal.... | 20.04 |
| Bar Louie, meal..... | 18.20 |
| BJ's, meal..... | 24.31 |
| Brookes Pub, mtrls | 945.00 |
| Cactus Bob's, meal | 30.92 |
| Cardboard Box, svcs | 35.78 |
| Casey's, fuel..... | 240.78 |
| CDW Gov, toner ... | 441.77 |
| Centurylink, svcs.. | 2500.77 |
| Chick-fil-A, meal.... | 20.21 |
| Chipolte, meal..... | 21.67 |
| Claim MD, fee..... | 200.00 |
| Complete Rental, rntl | 212.30 |
| Country Inn, Idg.... | 453.20 |
| DISH, svcs..... | 138.74 |
| DMI Dell, laptop.. | 3750.81 |
| Dodd Printing, splys | 148.77 |
| Dollar General, splys | 84.00 |
| Donnellson Lumber, splys | 16.56 |
| Drury Inn, Idg..... | 95.20 |
| Dunkin, meals..... | 18.98 |
| Family Discount, mattress | 1207.19 |
| Fastenal, screws.... | 20.96 |
| FM Farm & Home, splys | 201.93 |
| Goodyear, tires..... | 770.90 |
| Hancock Journal, pblic | 709.04 |
| Hardee's, meal..... | 10.36 |
| Hartrick's, splys.... | 15.76 |
| Hulu, svcs..... | 13.90 |
| Hobby Lobby, splys | 15.96 |
| Huffman's, splys | 1361.95 |
| HyVee, food..... | 64.67 |
| IA DNR, publ..... | 11.79 |
| Lifemed, splys..... | 76.72 |
| ISAC, fees..... | 230.00 |
| It Takes Two, splys | 161.42 |
| Jethro's, meals..... | 36.16 |
| Jimmy John's, meals | 35.61 |
| Jim's Lock & Safe, parts | 131.50 |
| Kempker's, splys.. | 956.95 |

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| KE Farm & Home, splys | 229.01 |
| Kum & Go, fuel..... | 120.26 |
| Longhorn, meal..... | 31.31 |
| LU Midstates, gas | 407.77 |
| Magee's, meal..... | 14.95 |
| McAfee, sftwr..... | 77.03 |
| Mediacom, svcs.... | 4800.00 |
| McDonald's, meal... | 32.61 |
| McFarland's, splys.. | 75.94 |
| McKessen Med, gloves | 1868.40 |
| Medpro Waste, waste | 83.00 |
| Menard's, splys..... | 8.62 |
| Midcontent, reg..... | 100.00 |
| Netflix.com, svcs..... | 19.25 |
| Officemax, splys.... | 80.20 |
| OFF Fort Dodge, meal | 5.68 |
| Pancheros, meals... | 38.68 |
| Panera, meal..... | 12.79 |
| Phillips 66, fuel..... | 97.02 |
| Pixels, svcs..... | 240.00 |
| Pizza Hut, meal.... | 172.45 |
| Quadiant, lease.... | 892.80 |
| Rathbun, water..... | 171.85 |
| Shell Oil, fuel..... | 10.00 |
| Sherwin Williams, splys | 137.81 |
| Shottenkirk, svcs.... | 402.64 |
| Sub Arena, meal.... | 81.36 |
| Walton's, meal..... | 18.36 |
| Staples, splys..... | 77.56 |
| Temp Credit, rfnd... | -20.32 |
| Texas Roadhouse, meal | 28.54 |
| Tim's Repairs, splys | 264.24 |
| US Cell, svcs..... | 95.22 |
| USCC, svcs..... | 96.11 |
| USPS, pstg..... | 320.24 |
| Van Meter, splys.... | 45.86 |
| Verizon, svcs..... | 3704.90 |
| Wal Mart, splys... | 4026.05 |
| Workboots.com, boots | 54.96 |
| Xpert Auto, svcs.... | 20.00 |
| CJ Cooper/Assc, svcs | 35.00 |
| Crowley/Prill, svcs | 3523.74 |
| Daniels Jntrl, svcs | 4328.41 |
| Dvnprt Printing, splys | 59.50 |
| C Davis, exps..... | 7.98 |
| Deaf Svcs, svcs..... | 3126.00 |
| LDettmers, exps..... | 8.10 |
| RK Dixon Co, equip | 82.50 |
| Dodd Prtg/Stat, splys | 105.00 |

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| | 1852.50 |
| FM Water, svcs..... | 56.24 |
| D Fraise, exps..... | 40.00 |
| K Haney, equip..... | 26.99 |
| Headco, svcs..... | 360.00 |
| Huffman Wildng, equip | 564.31 |
| HyVee, splys..... | 101.98 |
| Ideal Rdy Mix, mtrl | 1230.01 |
| ISAC, reg..... | 190.00 |
| Jireh Inc, svcs..... | 1380.36 |
| C Johnson, exps... | 319.00 |
| JW Medical, equip | 881.55 |
| G Knisley, exps.... | 134.55 |
| Kohlmorgan Hlg, svcs | 293.70 |
| BRiesberg, splys.... | 45.97 |
| Learning Tree, svcs | 1689.82 |
| Lee Co Auditor, trfs | |

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| Lee Co Health, svcs | 11024.77 |
| Lee Co Sheriff, svcs | 326.69 |
| Liberty Util, gas..... | 16.16 |
| Mediacom, svcs..... | 204.25 |
| MidAm Energy, gas | 694.72 |
| Mntrs Hlth Ctr, svcs | 3980.32 |
| L Mullins, exps..... | 113.85 |
| MES, svcs..... | 408.03 |
| Municipal One, svcs | 5796.00 |
| Myers-Tire, svcs.... | 724.35 |
| J Neff, svcs..... | 150.00 |
| OMG MW, svcs..... | 66.96 |
| P Orth, svcs..... | 210.00 |
| Pen City Crmnt, publ | 100.00 |
| M Pflug, exps..... | 40.00 |
| Practicon, svcs..... | 57.56 |

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| Prairie Farms, splys | 108.80 |
| Prvnt Child Abs, dues | 1838.00 |
| Rathbun Water, svcs | 58.93 |
| RicohUSA, rent... | 1399.62 |
| RSM US, svcs..... | 1078.12 |
| J Schilling, exps.... | 148.75 |
| Shottenkirk, svcs.. | 1099.97 |
| SEIRPC, svcs..... | 3500.00 |
| K Spear, exps..... | 29.70 |
| Stericycle, svcs..... | 555.84 |
| M Terhune, exps.... | 15.00 |
| VB Co Hosp, svcs | 11157.37 |
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| Vigen Mmrl, svcs.. | 1200.00 |
| Windstream, svcs... | 306.26 |
| Heat/Air Guy, svcs.. | 750.00 |

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- Troubleshoots mechanical failures. Repairs or places defective parts. Dismantles devices to gain access to and remove defective parts. Installs parts into devices. Starts devices to determine their performance.

What you'll need to be successful:

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- 3-5 years maintenance experience in a manufacturing environment.
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Education News

Area schools announce honor rolls

DONNELLSON – Central Lee Community High School has announced its first semester honor roll for the 2021-2022 school year. Pen City Current joins our advertisers and readers in congratulating these students on their academic success. Job well done!

Principal Scholar

12th Grade – Brecount, Devin; Conlee, Drew; Howell, Tristan; Hulsebus, Grace; Jones, Sydney; Sandoval, Alex; Sugars, Abby; Tate, Logan; Watkins, Macy; Wellman, Trey; Westfall, Pierson

11th Grade – Barnhardt, Emily; Bell, Emma; Congdon, Alix; Grafton, Paisley; Harvey, Everlee; Hohl, Jacob; Lampe, Mya; Morrison, Makayla; Pohren, Karlie; Robbins, Maren

10th Grade – Griffin, Taylor; Jones, Brooklyn; Kirchner, Mercedes; Lowenberg, Landon; Manwill, Zachary; Merschman, Dante; Mueller, Josie; Newton, Josephine

9th Grade – Doty, Mar- en; Gram, Sydney; Hawk, Jalyn; Moeller, Kodi; Sanders, Lauren; Under- wood, Andrew

A Honor Roll

12th Grade – Boyer, Aidan; Britt, Adrienne; Congdon, Collin; David- son, Chyane; DeMoss, Tanner; Doty, Maddox; Finney, Bryce; Glass- cock, Danielle; Harvey,

Emma; Herdrich, Ellie; Hopp, Meghan; Johnson, Jasmine; Myhre, Alivia; Popejoy, Emily; Rohdy, Cooper; Schmidt, Brian; Watkins, Maura; Well- man, Madeline; Wright, David

11th Grade – Adam, Jonas; Anderson, Grant; Barnhardt, Shane; Brum- ble, Adyson; Denbow, David; Eschman, Thom- as; Fuller, Brody; Hupp, Macy; Moeller, Karissa; Morgan, James; Seamons, Benjamin; Seamons, Emily; Simmons, Abigail; Weaver, Jesse

10th Grade – Ames, Kayden; Buford, Shan- na; Byrn, John; Crank, Landon; Garmoe, Lydia; Graber, Sydney; Gra- ham-Thomas, Bella; Greg- ory, Hunter; Gruntmeir, Sidney; Hayes, Kirsten; Hemingsen, Jacob; Howard, MaKayla; Jones, Cory; Larson, Millie; Lindsay, Blake; Myhre, Grant; Rudd, Landon; Ryland, Logan; Stewart, Giavanni; Strunk, Abigail; Stuecker, Riley

9th Grade – Azinger, Katherine; Canida, Lara; Clark, Cale; Cook, Alivia; Cox, Kamryn; Derr, Aidan; Hayes, Gavin; Hayes, Reece; Johnson, Chase; Kempker, Abigail; Krogmeier, Owen; Lampe, Halle; Lovell, Torrence; Robinson, Adelyn; Rudd, Chadie; Shepard, Lila; Suminski, Brandon; Voll- mer, Jacob; Weber, Drake

B Honor Roll

12th Grade – Ackerson, Emma; Crank, Logan; Fowler, Delilah; Geerdes, Clayton; Guevara, Javi- er; Huss, Raven; Jarvis, William; Muldoon, Kyle; Newton, Genevieve; Pidgeon, Kayla; Richard- son, Jessica; Smith, Ruger; Snider, Jonathan; Stewart, Kelsie; Turner, Sophie; Wilke, Johnathan; Young, Christian

11th Grade – Brooks, Emma; Davidson, Kylie; Fuger, Keating; Hand, Audrey; Hawk, Joshua; Hemingsen, James; Her- rick, Samantha; Lozano, Elaina; Martin, Sarah; Pohren, Corbin; Stevens, Payton; Vorwaldt, Jordan; Wagner, Madelyn; Wal- dorf, Carly; Wells, Gan- non; Young, Jacob

10th Grade – Barlow, Braeden; Garcia, Carlos; Krehbiel, Ayden; Lake, Hailey; Lynch, Kylie; Mortimer, Shalida; Mulli- gan, Brendan; Newberry, Dustin; Riddle, Nolan; Ross, Aden

9th Grade – Bergman, Ethan; Bollin, Connor; Calfee, Kayden; Clark, Gabriel; Fowler, Kate- Lynn; Hawk, Jaciann; Herdrich, Bo; Kent, Ayden; Larkin, Kayleigh; McDonald, Ian; McG- lasson, Madison; Moore, Ostyn; Pezley, Carlee; Rooney, Isabella; Rozario, Lillian; Simmons, Zoey; Thomas, Leo; Wyrick, Brayden

FORT MADISON – Holy Trinity Catholic Schools has announced its second quarter and first semester honor rolls for the 2021-2022 school year. Pen City Current joins our advertisers and readers in congratulating these students on their academic success. Job well done!

SECOND QUARTER

4.0 Honor Roll

7th Grade – Eliza- beth Griffin, Ellie Hell- man, Max Kruse, Kara Lake, Caleb Rea, Emma Scheetz, Emmalyn Snaadt, Brooklyn Todd

8th Grade – Addison Link, Brock Scheetz, McKayla Schinstock, Isa- bella Wheatley-Behne

9th Grade – Teagan Snaadt

10th Grade – Michael Chapman, Taegan Den- ning, Conner Gehling, Jenna Hellman, Natalie Randolph, Maddox Rung

11th Grade – Alexa Dingman, Laura Meh- mert, Rachel Menke, Jacob Pothitakis, James Scheetz

12th Grade – Jack Ma- linski, Mitchell Pothitakis, Cassidy Randolph, Anna Sobczak

A Honor Roll

7th Grade – Eva Den- ning, Kat DiPrima, Jack Hellman, Megan Holt- kamp, Sydney Jarvis, Adalyn Kruse, Lucille Steffensmeier

8th Grade – Nathan Box, Chase Hemann, Blake Mohrfeld, Carson Pauly, Layne Rung

9th Grade – Anna Bendlage, Luke Hellige, Koby Jones

10th Grade – Mary Kate Bendlage, Daltin Boeding, Sheldon Kruse, Edward Schroeder

11th Grade – Emily Boeding, Kayla Box, Jenna DiPrima, Brooke Mueller, Riley Timmerman

12th Grade – Jackson Blint, Abby Holtkamp, Jackson VanHamme

B Honor Roll

7th Grade – Sara Boed- ing, Elijah Kline, Gavin Peitz, Tanner Williams

8th Grade – Jameson Denning, Lia Fullenkamp, Emily Hummel, Johna- than Hummel, Ethan McManus, Sarah Menke, Emma Mohrfeld, Henry Steffensmeier, Corbin VanNiewaal

9th Grade – Kylie Fortune, Mason Kruse, Ellie Lake, Carter Nelson, Adam Sobczak, Tobias VanHamme

10th Grade – Reagan Holvoet, Jacob Hummel, Andrew Mehmert, Seth Moeller

11th Grade – Mary Hellige

12th Grade – Tessa Gendron, Lucy Graham, Sophie Gram, Raquel Schneider, Tyler Snaadt

FIRST SEMESTER

4.0 Honor Roll

7th Grade – Ellie Hellman, Sydney Jar- vis, Adalyn Kruse, Max Kruse, Kara Lake, Emma Scheetz, Emmalyn Snaadt, Brooklyn Todd

8th Grade – Chase Hemann, Brock Scheetz

10th Grade – Mary Kate Bendlage, Michael Chap- man, Taegan Denning, Conner Gehling, Jenna Hellman, Natalie Ran- dolph, Maddox Rung

11th Grade – Alexa Dingman, Laura Meh- mert, Rachel Menke,

Jacob Pothitakis
12th Grade – Jack Ma- linski, Mitchell Pothitakis, Cassidy Randolph, Anna Sobczak

A Honor Roll

7th Grade – Eva Den- ning, Kat DiPrima, Elizabeth Griffin, Jack Hellman, Megan Holt- kamp, Caleb Rea, Lucille Steffensmeier, Tanner Williams

8th Grade – Nathan Box, Johnathan Hummel, Addison Link, Carson Pauly, Layne Rung, McK- ayla Schinstock, Isabella Wheatley-Behne

9th Grade – Anna Bendlage, Kylie Fortune, Henry Graham, Luke Hellige, Koby Jones, Tea- gan Snaadt

10th Grade – Daltin Boeding, Sheldon Kruse, Andrew Mehmert, Mary Beth Scheetz, Edward Schroeder

11th Grade – Emily Boeding, Kayla Box, Jenna DiPrima, Brooke Mueller, James Scheetz, Riley Timmerman

12th Grade – Jackson Blint, Lucy Graham, Sophie Gram, Abby Holtkamp, Jackson Van- Hamme

B Honor Roll

7th Grade – Sara Boed- ing, Elijah Kline, Corbin Moeller, Gavin Peitz

8th Grade – Jameson Denning, Lia Fullenkamp, Emily Hummel, Ethan McManus, Sarah Menke, Blake Mohrfeld, Henry Steffensmeier, Corbin VanNiewaal

9th Grade – Clara Blint, Cade Goodrich, Mason Kruse, Ellie Lake, Carter Nelson, Adam Sobczak, Tobias VanHamme, Gus VanHynning

10th Grade – Reagan Holvoet, Jacob Hummel, Seth Moeller, Ethan Peitz

11th Grade – Mary Hellige

12th Grade – Tessa Gendron, Raquel Schnei- der, Alexis Stalcup

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