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Double Dutch

PELLA SUBSTATE: Dutch hand Bloodhounds a second straight substate final loss



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Above, Fort Madison senior Mitchell Pothitakis tries to battle through to the net with Pella's goalie Tyler Killoren and defender Cody Johnson (19) in the second half of Wednesday's substate loss to the Dutch. Below, Hound midfielder Nathan Swigart tries to get to a ball to break up a run from Pella senior Preston Rowe (10) in the first half Wednesday night

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP

PELLA — Kevin Wellman's voice cracked with emotion as he went through the final team meeting of the season. Behind the Fort Madison boys soccer coach was the loud celebration he was hoping his team would get.

The 3-0 loss to Pella in Wednesday's Class 2A substate final marked the second consecutive year the Bloodhounds fell to the Dutch, one step short of the state tournament.

I was happy to be around these young men all season long," Wellman said. "A really fun group to be around. They work hard, play hard, have a lot of fun, they have a lot of respect for each other, for me, for the coaching staff, for the people around them. Winning and losing soccer games is kind of trivial compared to those kinds of things."

Pella (17-2), ranked eighth in Class 2A, is the top seed in next week's state tournament.

The Dutch won last season's matchup with three goals in penalty kicks after the two teams were scoreless through two halves and two overtimes. This time, two first-half goals had the Bloodhounds scrambling after Pella with-



stood several attacks by Fort Madison in the opening

Max Lauman's goal with 13:24 to play in the first half put Pella up 1-0, then Isaac Semini's header off a corner kick from Teddy Apostolopoulos with 4:40 to play pushed the lead to 2-0.

"They were quality goals," Wellman said. "The second one, for sure, we couldn't do anything about it. It was a very

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EDUCATION

Bill passes for year-round open enroll

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

LEE COUNTY - An 11th hour passage of a bill that eliminates the annual open enrollment deadline in Iowa's public schools drew criticism from county public school leaders Wednesday.

The final version of the bill was introduced Tuesday night in the House and the Senate to allow open enrollment transfers

from one public school to any other public school at any time during the school year if there's room available at the accepting school.

The bill still requires the signature of Gov. Kim Reynolds. Republican legis-



lators were unable to rally enough votes to pass one of Reynolds' top priorities which was an effort to establish scholarships using some state funds to pay for private school expenses.

State Rep. Martin Graber said the open enrollment issue kind of came out of nowhere but was spurred by a video that got around the capital building about a transgender party held in Ankeny on a Sunday on public school property.

"Some administrator somewhere authorized that and it needs to be investigated," Graber said.

He also referenced a transgender policy in place in the Linn-Mar school district that allows a student to declare what gender they identify with as early as seventh grade and parents aren't required to be notified.

Graber said those types of allowances in public schools hit at the heart of the new bill in front of the governor.

"Why this makes sense to me is now you have the March 1 (deadline), and you have the Ankeny thing



that just happened. I'm past March 1 so I can't change anything. My kids are now

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OBITUARIES

JULIE A. MUNOZ

Julie Ann Muñoz, 77, of Fort Madison, IA passed away on May 19, 2022 at her daughter's home in Iowa City, IA after a long illness. She was in the care of her family and the staff of St. Croix Hospice of Cedar Rapids, IA.

Julie was born on August 22, 1944 in LaSalle, IL, the daughter of Ysidoro



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and Mary Casillas Atilano. She married John Muñoz on October 9, 1967 and was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Fort Madison. She was employed at Sheaffer Pen and the Fort Madison Nursing Home over the course of her professional career, but her full-time job was that of a hard-working mother and wife. She enjoyed gardening and spending time outdoors, but her biggest passion was her dedication to her grandchildren, providing loving care and supporting them in

all of their extracurricular activities. She was famous for her hugs, and those weren't just reserved for family. Known for her bottomless well of sass and her skill in the kitchen, her bad jokes and good cooking will be missed by all.

Julie is survived by her husband, John; two daughters Denise (Brendan Tebbs) Muñoz of Aurora, IL and Tammy (Tad) Hulst of Iowa City, IA; two sons, Muñoz Jr. of Eagan, MN, and Marty (Wendy) Muñoz of Davenport, IA; and seven grandchildren – Kendyl, Rebecca, Alex, Justin, Ryan, Kellen and Kayla, also numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, five brothers and two sisters.

The Muñoz family will host a visitation for Julie at 10 A.M. on Monday, May 23 at Sacred Heart Church in Fort Madison, IA. A funeral mass will then begin at 11 A.M. with Father Joseph Phung officiating. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery. King-Lynk Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Julie's memory to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or University of Iowa's Stead Family Children's Hospital, two causes that were very dear to Julie. Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

Pen City Current obituary policy

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OBITUARIES

ANNA M. KORSCHGEN

Anna Mae Korschgen, 100, of West Point, Iowa, cared for by her loving family as she declined, passed away peacefully at 10:23pm in her home on May 21, 2022.

Born premature at home, in Winchester, Mo. on February 16, 1922 she weighed only 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs., kept in a box on the woodburning stove for warmth, she survived



KUDSCHCEN

through the night and for a century celebrated her birthday on February 17th. She was the oldest child of Lawrence and Laura Miller Boltz.

Anna Mae married Robert O. Korschgen of St. Patrick, Mo. on February 10, 1044 et the Shring of St. Patrick Church

ruary 19, 1944 at the Shrine of St. Patrick Church.

She was a housewife and worked at W.A. Sheaffer Pen Company for 13 years. She was a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in West Point and the Daughters of Isabella for over 50

years. She was the Garden Club secretary for 2 years and a member of Senior Citizens. Most recently, she became a member of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She enjoyed her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren, sewing, hosting family holiday meals, playing bingo, scratching lottery tickets, and going to the casino. Affectionately known as Grandpa and Grandma "K", Robert and Anna Mae enjoyed making quilts together and she crocheted many afghans, all of which became presents for family milestones.

She is survived by her 4 children. Kitty Anderson of Burlington, Iowa, Roberta (James) Warner of Libertyville, Iowa, Paula (Stan) Mickelson of Burlington, Iowa, and Charles (Theresa) Korschgen of West Point. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren, 10 great-great grandchildren; one brother Fred Boltz and one sister Joy Rule both of Keokuk, Iowa and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Robert in 1998, her brother Roscoe and his wife Betty, a sister-in-law Janell, a brother-in-law Paul Rule Sr., a son-in-law Loren Anderson and 2 grandsons.

Visitation will be held Tuesday from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. at the Funeral Home in West Point.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in West Point with Father Dennis Hoffman as celebrant.

Burial will be at Calvary cemetery in West Point.

In lieu of flowers memorial may be made to Saint Mary's Catholic Church or Calvary Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com. Schmitz Funeral Home of West Point is assisting the family with arrangements.





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BROOKE WISENER

Brooke Wisener, 47, of Dallas City, Illinois, passed away at 7:35 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2022 at the Memorial Hospital in Carthage, Illinois.

Brooke was born March 28, 1975 in Carthage the daughter of Steve and Hope (Schroeder) Olson. On August 12, 1995 she married Ed Wisener, Jr. They later divorced.



Brooke graduated as Valedictorian of the Dallas City High School class of 1993. She later earned her Licensed Practical Nurse degree from Southeastern Community College in West Burlington. She was currently employed by the Southeast Iowa Behavioral Healthcare Center in Keokuk. She was a member of the Burlington Iowa Kennel Club and was a found-

ing member of the Burlington Dog Park. Survivors include her parents: Steve and Hope Olson of Dallas City; one son: Brandon (Christina) Wisener of Nauvoo, Illinois; one daughter: Hannah (Calvin Shotts) Jones of West Point, Iowa; two grandchildren: Mathias

Wisener and Easton Jones; her grandmother: Anna "Boots" Schroeder of Dallas City; twin brothers: Nathan (Jenoa) Olson of St. Peters, Missouri and Ryan (Candace) Olson of Lake Havasu, Arizona; 6 nieces and nephews; a special friend: Jerry Quintero and her father-in-law: Ed Wisener Sr.

Brooke was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather: John "Jack" Schroeder; paternal grandparents: Andy and Jean Olson; her mother-in-law: Sharon Wisener and her step-mother-in-law: Betty Wisener.

Cremation has been entrusted to Banks & Beals Funeral Home.

A celebration of Brooke's life will be held from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. Friday, May 27, 2022 at the LaHarpe Christian Church with a luncheon being held at 2:00 p.m.

A memorial fund has been established in her memory to help with expenses. To leave a condolence for the family, please visit Brooke's obituary at banksandbeals.com.

BENITA P. AGUIRRE

Benita P. Aguirre, 91, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 1:40 a.m. on Sunday, May 22, 2022 at Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center in Fort Madison, IA. She

was born on March 21, 1931 in Fort Madison, IA to Ladislao & Cleofas Rodriguez Prado. She married Steve John Aguirre on January 28, 1950 in Fort Madison, IA. He preceded her in death on January 6, 2017. She retired from the Sheaffer Pen Company and was a member of Holy Family Parish and the Guadalupanas of the church. She loved to cook and bake.

Benita is survived by: 2-daughters: Dolores "Dee" Aguirre of Fort Madison, IA & Cathy (Mark) Bentler of Fort Madison, IA; 5-grandchildren: Matt (Tina) Weiler, Marcus Weiler, Jason (Jill) Juarez, Angela (Nick Krone) Bentler & Alex Bentler; 10-great grandchildren: Annabella, Grant, Marlee, Marcus Jr., Legend, Lenahya, Jazzie, Jessie, Gabriel & Daniel. She was preceded in death by: her parents, husband, 5-brothers: Lelo, Tommy, Milo, Barty & Nacho and 5-sisters: Lupe, Paula, Frances, Amparo & Esther.

Friends may call after 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 with the family to receive friends from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A rosary will be recited at 6:00 p.m. The funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at Sacred Heart Church with Rev. Joseph Phung officiating. Burial will be held at Sacred Heart Cemetery. A memorial has been established for Holy Family Parish. Online condolences may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.



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GARY SANDERS

Gary J. Sanders, 77, West Point, Iowa died Monday, May 16, 2022. He was born November 14, 1944, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Fort Madison, Iowa, the son of Paul John and Rosina Elizabeth (Bentler) Sanders. On November 22, 1969, he married Victoria Elizabeth Fedler at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in West Point.



SANDERS

Gary was a 1964 graduate of St. Mary's Catholic School in West Point. He went to bricklaying school in Storm Lake, Iowa. He was a developer, hobby farmer, and owner of Gary Sanders Masonry. He was a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Pheasants Forever, former board member of Fort Madison Bowling Association, and inductee into the Fort Madison Bowling Association's Hall of Fame. He was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan, St. Louis Cardinals fan, and a fan of everything that involved his children and/or grandchildren.

He enjoyed bowling, hunting, trap shooting, driving his UTV, spending time outside and spending time with his family. He rode RAGBRAI for many years with family and

He is survived by his wife, Vickie Sanders of West Point; five children: Steve (Dara) Sanders of West Point; Brad (Cara) Sanders of West Point; Pamela (Eric) Merschman of West Point; Rodney (Shana) Sanders of West Point; Kimberly (Dylan) Maki of Juno Beach, Florida; 10 grandchildren: Logan Sanders, Anaka Sanders, Mya Merschman, Kaleb Sanders, Ella Sanders, Dante Merschman, Lauren Sanders, Mason Sanders, Bianca Sanders, and Skyler Sanders; granddog, Monster Maki; six siblings: Kenneth (Judy) Sanders of St. Paul, Iowa; Leroy (Joyce) Sanders of Houghton; Donald (Becky) Sanders of West Point; Gregory Sanders of West Point; Vera Morgart of Davenport, Iowa; Patricia (Thomas) Brodar of Delphi, Indiana; brother-in-law, Howard Fedler of West Point; sisters-in-law, Jane Fedler of Fort Madison and Diane Sanders of Donnellson; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, son Douglas, brother Carl Sanders, brothers-in-law, Conrad Fedler and William "Bill" Morgart, and niece Julie Morgart Sarra.

His family will greet friends from 9:30 - 10:45 am Thursday, May 26, 2022 at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, West Point. Mass of Christian Burial will follow and begin at 11:00 am Thursday, May 26, 2022 at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, West Point, with Reverend Dennis Hoffman as Celebrant. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, West Point. A memorial has been established for Lee County Conservation and Lee County Pheasants Forever, contributions may be sent to the Barr-Holtkamp Funeral Home, 412 Ave C, P.O. Box 247, West Point, Iowa 52656. Barr-Holtkamp Funeral Home is honored to serve the Sanders Family. An online guest book may be found at www. barrholtkampfuneralhome.com.

We remember and celebrate all those who fought for our freedom on this day.



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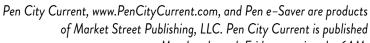
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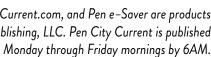
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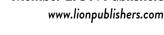
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For the Record

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Fort Madison Police Report

05/19/22 - 3:50 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1900 block of Avenue H.

05/19/22 - 4:17 p.m. - Fort Madison police cited Joshua Adam Bowen, 42, of Wever, in the 1900 block of Avenue H. on a charge of 5th degree left less than \$300.

05/19/22 - 8:50 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2600 block of Avenue I.

05/20/22 - 9:59 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident at the intersection of 27th Street and Avenue L.

05/20/22 - 10:44 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2700 block of Avenue O.

05/20/22 - 11:04 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Rebecca Dawn Davis, 42, of Fort Madison, in the 1200 block of 38th Street, on a warrant for failure to appear. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/20/22 - 3:34 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1900 block of Avenue M.

05/20/22 - 4:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 900 block of Avenue G.

05/20/22 - 7:20 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested lan Van Beveren, 30, of Fort Madison, in the 600 block of Avenue F, on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/20/22 - 11:47 p.m. -Fort Madison police arrested Robert Harold Fleming IV, 38, of Fort Madison, in the 1000 block of Avenue F, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/21/22 – 12:16 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 600 block of Avenue F.

05/21/22 - 9:06 p.m. - Fort Madison police cited Michael Douglas McCabe, 40, of Keokuk, at the intersection of

15th Street and Ridgewood Drive, on a charge of driving under suspension.

05/21/22 – 10:10 p.m. – Fort Madison police cited Aaron Seville Shallcross, 31, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 38th Street and Avenue L, on a charge of driving while barred.

05/21/22 - 10:26 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism at the intersection of 24th Street and Avenue N.

05/22/22 - 1:41 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1200 block of 37th Street.

05/22/22 - 4:47 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 200 block of 26th Street.

05/22/22 - 6:44 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1500 block of Avenue H.

05/22/22 - 10:15 p.m. -Fort Madison police arrested Jeffrey George Sniegowski, Jr., 38, of Fort Madison, in the 3400 block of Avenue N, on 2 charges of possession of a controlled substance; and charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and driving while barred. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/23/22 - 4:24 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 100 block of Oak Drive.

05/23/22 - 10:36 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1600 block of Avenue M.

05/23/22 - 1:10 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 500 block of Avenue E.

05/23/22 - 3:31 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 500 block of 48th Street.

05/23/22 - 5:45 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary at the intersection of 24th Street and Avenue N.

05/23/22 - 6:38 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1600 block of Avenue L.

05/24/22 - 11:25 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 4600 block of Avenue H.

05/24/22 - 1:04 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Timothy Lee Thorn, 49, of Fort Madison, in the 800 block of Avenue G, on a warrant for probation violation. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/24/22 - 1:06 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Lance Edward Meredith, 44, of Fort Madison, in the 2300 block of Avenue H, on 2 warrants for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/24/22 - 2:01 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the Fort Madison area.

05/24/22 - 4:08 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 1500 block of Avenue H.

05/24/22 - 9:00 p.m. - Fort Madison police cited Randy Allen Davis, 58, of Fort Madison, in the 2700 block of Avenue J, on a charge of city: disorderly conduct.

Lee County Sheriff Report

05/19/22 - 8:47 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Christopher James Tallman, 57, of Keokuk, in the 2400 block of 340th Street, Keokuk, on charges of domestic abuse assault - 1st and assault w/bodily injury. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/19/22 - 11:12 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a report of a single-vehicle accident on Hwy. 61 mile marker 22. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Sandra May Hansen, 73, of Keokuk, was traveling south on Hwy. 61 when it struck a deer that had entered the roadway. No injuries or citations were reported. Hansen's vehicle sustained approximately \$2,500 damage, but was able to be driven from the

05/19/22 - 1:48 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident in the 1700 block of Hwy. 2. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Tommee Michelle Pelky, 23, of Bonaparte, was stopped for construction and rolled into the vehicle in front of her driven by Anthony Joseph Garber, 47, of West Point, causing approximately \$1,500 damage to Garber's vehicle. No injuries or citations were reported. Pelky's vehicle did not sustain damages and both vehicles were driven from the scene.

05/19/22 - 4:16 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident on Hwy. 61 and Peach Orchard Road. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Gene Robert Myhre, 89, of Donnellson, was stopped at the stop sign in the median of Hwy. 61 and Peach Orchard Road and attempted to turn east when it was struck in the rear passenger side by a vehicle driven by Thomas Edward Older, 35, of Fort Madison. No injuries were reported at the scene. Both vehicles sustained damage, but were able to be driven from the scene. Myhre was cited for failure to yield right of way.

05/19/22 - 5:06 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Gary Michael Raleigh, 34, of Keokuk, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for contempt any other act. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/20/22 - 9:27 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Rhonda Lea Diewold, 61, of Burlington, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for 3rd degree harassment. She was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on bond.

05/21/22 - 7:57 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested David James Markell, 26, of Keokuk, at the South Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear/ contempt of court. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on a promise to

05/21/22 - 4:19 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a single-vehicle accident in the 1000 block of Primrose Road. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Dyson Chandler Gerveler, 18, of West Point, was traveling westbound on Primrose Road, when he lost control of the vehicle, causing it to overturn and land on its top. No injuries or citations were issued.

05/21/22 - 7:28 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Tyson Shane Waetzig, 44, of Fort Madison, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for failure to appear/contempt of court. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on bond.

05/21/22 - 10:48 p.m. -Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Jurgen Roland Paul Gunn Slattery, 42, of Keokuk, in the 3200 block of Old Quarry Road, Wever, on a charge of 1st offense OWI. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on a promise to appear.

05/22/22 - 3:50 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a single-vehicle accident at the intersection of 241st Street and 53rd Street, Fort Madison. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Dalton Ray Mabeus, 22, of Fort Madison, was attempting to enter a parking lot, missed the entrance, and crashed through a fence. No injuries were reported at the scene. The vehicle was towed from the scene. Mabeus was arrested for 1st offense OWI and taken to Lee County Jail.

05/22/22 - 4:04 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Dalton Ray Mabeus, 22, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 241st Street and 53rd Street, Fort Madison, on a charge of 1st offense OWI. He was taken to Lee County Jail and later released on a promise to appear.

05/22/22 - 10:56 a.m. -Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a single-vehicle accident on Hwy. 61 at mile marker 22. According to the

report, a motorcycle driven by Thomas Jeremy Hymes, 46, of Burlington, was traveling southbound on Hwy. 61 when he struck a deer that had entered the road. Hymes sustained injuries and was airlifted to U of I Hospital. The motorcycle sustained disabling damage and was released to a relative. No citations were reported.

05/23/22 - 11:47 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Christopher Cody Rhodes, 33, of Keokuk, at the South Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for domestic assault choking/bodily injury and 2 warrants for pretrial release violation. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

05/23/22 - 2:43 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Andrea Louise Blint, 38, of Fort Madison, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for possession of less than 5gm methamphetamine. She was taken to Lee County

05/24/22 - 2:30 p.m. - LeeCounty sheriff deputies arrested Jacob Anthony Haage, 28, of Danville, at the Henry County Jail, on 2 warrants for violation of probation. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

Hancock County Sheriff Report

05/16/2022 - BARRETT,-DUSTIN L (40 of Bowen, IL) **Domestic Battery**

05/19/2022 - HOCKER, LANCE D (26 of Ft Madison, IA) DUI, Unlawful Use of Weapon

05/19/2022 - STEWART, JOSEPH E (29 of Nauvoo, IL) Driving While Suspended

05/20/2022 - BOUGH, BRANDON L (29 of Basco, IL) DUI, Possession of Firearm by a Felon

05/21/2022 - DOBBINS, LONNIE D (54 of Augusta, IL) **Domestic Battery**

05/22/2022 -MOYLAN, NICCOLO L (19 of Burlington, IA) Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapon

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Open enrollment change could pinch districts budgets

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locked into that school for another year," he said.

But Central Lee Superintendent Dr. Andy Crozier, whose district has seen success with open enrollment, said the bill creates budgeting and planning issues for all public schools.

"We have been successful, but we have to plan carefully. The March 1 deadline has helped us recognize when we have spikes in residency and open enrollment and we have to factor those in," Crozier said.

"It can be very challenging with Kindergarten classes where there's not much wiggle room to accept more open enrolled students."



Crozier said he could see where the Central Lee district might have to put a policy in place to limit the number of students that open enroll now, because it's harder to see coming and more students would require additional teachers.

SLATER

"Obviously there are challenges with the labor market in education. We can't just go hire a teacher at any level, they just aren't out there.

And putting an aide in a classroom doesn't help with the size issue either," he said.

"And thirdly, physical space becomes an issue as well. It will be the wild, wild west of public education and I have some doubts we can keep up with that. We're going to have put in a policy to control that.

"We may have to look at denying open enrollment at some point in the future."

Crozier said it also seems a bit odd that with the legislature recessed for more than 30 days because they couldn't come to terms on vouchers, during that time no legislator brought up the open enrollment deadline, no specifics on the bill were discussed, and no one reached out to school boards.

"To do those things in the middle of the night is not how good bills get passed." Fort Madison Superintendent Dr. Erin Slater said she too isn't aware of any discussion or debate on the bill prior to its passage.

"To my knowledge, there wasn't any public discourse and was acted upon without notice or comment to advocacy groups, school districts, or the public," Slater said.

She said the bill doesn't give proper consideration to districts' budgets and how the enrollment changes can immediately impact those resources.

"When 80-85% of a school district's budget is spent staffing for classrooms and programming, adding a potential variable of enrollment fluctuations throughout the year is not best practice in allocating taxpayer dollars," Slater said.

"This could potentially impact the stability of a child's education if students are open enrolled and then un-open enrolled throughout the year."

District 100 State Representative candidate Rebecca Bowker (D-Fort Madison), who will oppose Graber in November, called the move partisan politics.

"It does not surprise anyone that there was no inclusiveness or public debate on this topic. This is a pattern of behavior that needs to stop. It will only be rectified with votes in November," Bowker wrote in a text to Pen City Current.

"Open enrollment deadlines are in place so schools can adequately prepare budgets and adjust staffing levels. This is another attack on schools, that will ultimately affect small school systems."

Attempts to reach Sen. Jeff Reichman (R-Montrose), who also voted in favor of the measure, were unsuccessful as of this posting.



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"We played really good in the first 10 minutes. We had them on the ropes, but they weathered the storm. And then momentum shifted. We had opportunities, they had opportunities, they were just able to capitalize on three of them."

Fort Madison had two good scoring chances early in the second half. Henry Graham had a shot go wide eight minutes into the half, then Nathen Bowen had a header that hit off the top of the net.

Pella then put the match away on Levi Van Dusseldorp's goal with 22:18 to play. The Bloodhounds finished 14-6 in a season when they lost to Jacob Pothitakis and Xander Wellman, two of their top offensive players, to knee injuries. Wellman, wearing a brace on his right knee, was able to play limited minutes in the final two substate games.

"The adversity was one of the things we talked about," Kevin Wellman said. "I'm proud of the way we responded to the adversity. Two major, major players tearing their ACLs, that's a huge setback. We made some adjustments, tactically moved some players around. And these men responded.

"These guys came out every day with a smile on their face. I'm happy to know in the future, when they face adversity, whether it's on the sports field or in the classroom or on the job, they'll be ready for it."

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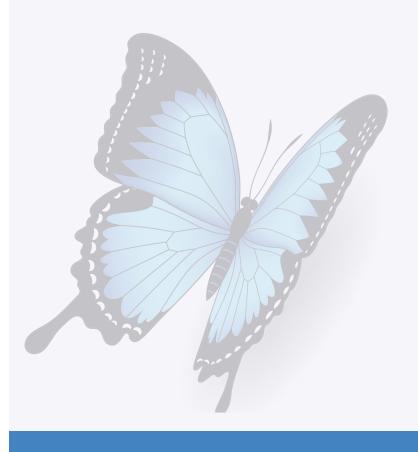
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