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10th St. group partners at River Rocks

SOFT OPEN: First weekend of food service at River Rocks in FM

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR



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Fort Madison's Dave Taylor and his crew were hard at it in the kitchen of River Rocks Saturday during the group's soft opening of a new food menu at the bar.

FORT MADISON – Food service is back at River Rocks with a familiar face creating menu and catering options.

Dave Taylor, owner of 10th Street Station in Fort Madison and Two Guys Baking, has entered into a partnership with River Rocks in downtown Fort Madison to provide food service at the bar, as well as expand on upon his catering and Take-and-Bake business.

Appetizers were on the menu this weekend during what's called a soft opening, where a limited menu is offered to patrons to get a feel for what works, as well as gauging kitchen and customer flows.

Taylor said the idea cropped up when he started hearing

from people who were looking for more options in Fort Madison as well as additional catering services. They were doing some limited catering out of 10th Street and their baking business kitchen.

"We started getting requests about a year ago for bigger catering and we started picking

up a lot more jobs, larger jobs," he said.

"We knew the grill side of the restaurant here started struggling. So I talked to Wes Holtkamp, and then Jim, my partner and I came up with a proposal and did a soft open this weekend."

River Rocks and The King-

sley Inn are owned by Barker Financial Inc. out of Iowa City. Fort Madison's Wes Holtkamp manages all the properties Barker's owns in Fort Madison, including the Old Lee County Bank, the former Cattermole library, and other properties.

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Work to do on illegal breeding

Close to 300 animals were taken from a home in rural Lee County over the last several weeks.

Three hundred animals.

At one point I had three cats at the same time and it was way too much, but they all were members of a loving home, well fed, warm, and definitely not a source of income, and not caged.

There are legitimate breeders out there, some even in this area, who do things by the book and welcome law enforcement at any time for inspections.

Investigators with the Lee County Sheriff's office built a case in Argyle and then conducted searches with everyone's best interests at heart, including the family involved in hoarding the animals.

It wasn't that long ago that the sheriff's department was chasing loose cows around the county and asking the officials for an ordinance to give them more power to motivate farmers and animal owners to get things under control.

The great thing about that situation is that the light that was brought upon the situation brought the industry to the table and it actually self-corrected. Legitimate, responsible livestock owners came to the table, actually demanded an audience with law enforcement, and then helped resolve a situation that, short of that, probably would have imposed tighter restrictions on their herds as well.

That same effort is now required to address mistreatment of animals in our county.

Breeding is a legitimate source of revenue but it must be handled with decency, compassion, and a never-ending focus on

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OPINION

Will cannaboid oil stop pesky tinnitus? - Empty Nest

I've suffered from tinnitus (ringing, buzzing in the ears) for over 20 years. I had pretty much given up and figured I would just have to live with it. There is no cure, according to my doctor.

I tried the old home remedy of drinking large amounts of vinegar until I was almost sick. The vinegar cure worked for a little bit, maybe an hour, and then the buzzing returned.

Let me describe the sound of my buzzing. If you've ever walked down an Iowa ditch in the summer and heard insects buzzing in the weeds—that's what my tinnitus sounds like. I remember when I first noticed it. I was sitting at a card table playing board games in the winter with my family. I asked them if they were hearing insects. They looked at me like I was loony. I knew then I

EMPTY NEST

By Curt Swarm



was hearing noises other people weren't.

I went to an audiologist and was prescribed hearing aids. Ka-ching! They improved my hearing, but did very little, if anything, for the tinnitus. A supplement was recommended. It had about the same effect as vinegar. It stopped the noise for a short period, but it was soon back.

Recently, an unsolicited email popped into my in-file. "CBD's Stop Tinnitus!" "Sure. You betcha," I thought. But my curi-

osity was piqued.

Being an alcoholic and drug addict in recovery (32 years clean and sober), I have to be awfully careful of what I put into my body. Marijuana was one of my downfalls. CBD's (Cannabidiol) are cannabis with the THC (the stuff that makes you high) supposedly removed. I was leery.

However, if a CBD could stop tinnitus, well, maybe it would be worth a try. They were the chewable-gummy kind. I took a chance and entered my credit card number. Of course, I was deceived into buying quite a bit more than what I thought I was buying. I knew for sure then—it was a scam.

But the CBD gummies arrived and I tried them. You have to eat quite a few. "1-2

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

FRANCES I. MARKEY

Frances Izola Markey, 94, of Dallas City, Illinois, passed away at 5:20 a.m. Thursday, March 17, 2022 at the Bickford of Burlington, Burlington, Iowa.



MARKEY

Frances was born May 21, 1927 at home near Lomax, Illinois, the daughter of Vernon and Luella (Neff) Nixon. On June 11, 1946 she married Lester V. Markey at the Immaculate Conception Church in Carthage, Illinois. He preceded her in death on September 17, 2017.

She was a proud farm wife and enjoyed taking an active roll in operating the Sesquicentennial Family Farm. She especially enjoyed being a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother.

Frances was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dallas City, where she was active in the Altar & Rosary Society.

Survivors include five children: Pat (Judy) Markey of Dallas City, Barbara (Gary) Mika of Fort Madison, Iowa, Becky (Randy) Gibb of Lomax, Illinois, Beth (Dave) Greenig of Dallas City and Tony Markey of Dallas City; one daughter-in-law: Sherry Markey Milks; 15 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents; husband: Lester; one son: Michael Markey; two brothers: Harlan and Dayne Nixon; one sister: Marion Milburn and two grandchildren in infancy.

The family will receive friends from 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 24, 2022 at Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Dallas City.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, March 24, 2022 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dallas City with Msgr. Paul Showalter and Fr. Thomas Szydlak as co-celebrants. Burial will follow in Gittings Mound Cemetery, rural Dallas City.

A memorial fund has been established for the Gittings Mound Cemetery or Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice. To leave a condolence for the family, please visit Frances' obituary at banksandbeals.com.

OBITUARIES

JEAN MEINHARDT

Jean Meinhardt, 89, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, March 19, 2022 at River Hills Village in Keokuk, Iowa.

Born on September 21, 1932, near Argyle, Iowa, the daughter of Glen O. and Stella M. (Derr) Ware. On June 6, 1949 she married Charles B. Stewart at the home of her parents. They moved to a farm near Anson, Missouri. Together they were the parents of two children, Marilyn Jean and Charles Kent. Her husband preceded her in death on March 8, 1958.

On June 4, 1966 in Farmington, Iowa she married Elden E Frueh. He preceded her in death on October 9, 1975. On January 16, 1999 she married Marlin L. Meinhardt in Donnellson, Iowa. He preceded her in death on May 22, 2005.

Mrs. Meinhardt was a member of the Zion Mennonite Church. She had served as a youth sponsor, taught Sunday school and helped with Bible school for several years.

A collector of cookbooks, bird figurines, dishes and quilts. She enjoyed her home, yard-work, flowers, cooking and baking. Especially lemon pies because all of her family loved these. She enjoyed spending time with family and being with the grandchildren and great-grandchildren during their activities. Jean also enjoyed helping others.

Jean worked for Central Lee Schools when they first opened the new school, Sheaffer Pen Company, Donnellson Tax Services and Geils Oil and Go Mart, until retiring in the year 2000.

Survivors include one: daughter Marilyn (Marshall) Hulsebus of Donnellson, Iowa; one son: Charles (Nancy) Stewart of Donnellson, Iowa; six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren including: Mark (Leslie) Hulsebus, Lauren, Grace, and Benjamin; Mari Anne (Jurgen) Ehler, Blake and Zane; Joni (Jeff) Junkins; Bill (Jenny) Stewart, Kelsie and Cameron; Stacy Stewart, Brayden Jordan; Matthew (Kaley) Hulsebus, Kasen and Stella. Also surviving is one sister: Lois White (Ivan Bunker) of Wever, Iowa and special friends Larry & Carolyn Geils of Branson, Missouri.

Besides her husbands, she was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, sisters, brother and stepfather Frank Bideaux. A very special great grandson Rhett Marshall Ehler and special great granddaughter Reagan Jean Hulsebus.

The family will meet with friends Monday, March 21, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson, with Pastor Mike Bennett officiating.

Burial will be held in the Greenglade Cemetery in Farmington, Iowa.

A memorial has been established in her memory to Greenglade Cemetery, University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital or Donnellson Ball Association. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com. Schmitz Funeral Home of Donnellson is assisting the family with arrangements.

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From the Front

River Rocks rolls out menu

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Taylor's group is responsible for the food, meals, and food service, while Barkers still oversees the bar operations including the bartenders.

The appetizer menu includes some bar staples including sliders, jumbo pretzels, and wings. But Taylor wanted to introduce some healthier options so a homemade hummus, vegetable trays, flatbreads, edamame, and some unique empanadas, shrimp cocktail, and dips are also available.

He said that menu will be fine-tuned as more information comes in about what area residents want for options.

"We're testing the kitchen equipment and breaking in a new crew. The goal is doing appetizers first and we wanted those to be things you don't see normally in the area," he said.

"We wanted some healthy options so brought in edamame, a relish tray, hummus, and then some more of your standard stuff including the flatbreads and sliders."

The sliders include a 3-brat patty slider on a pretzel bun with regional favorite Boetje's Stone Ground Mustard mixed with mayo in a spicy aioli. There's also mini tenderloin sliders on the menu, homemade queso, and Mexican bean dip.

But the menu is slated for change, as are hours, based on customer reactions. Currently River Rocks is open Thursday 5 to 10 p.m., Friday 3 to 10 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday noon to 8 p.m. Kitchen orders stop 30 minutes before closing.

But a breakfast menu is in the works with more non-traditional fares as Taylor says other restaurants in the community do a great job of traditional breakfast service.

"We want ours to reflect something a little more unique that fits this gorgeous view we have here. So we envision some quiches and some eggs with butter cream and fresh tomatoes - kind of a nice good breakfast with a twist on Eggs Benedict," Taylor said.

He wants to use the kitchen as an option for river enthusiasts for box lunches or picnic

lunches. He said boaters and train travelers, with the new depot just across the highway, are options for lunches that will include a mix-and-match platform of sandwiches, soups, salads, and quiches.

"The goal there is not just nice lunches here with a beautiful eating area, but nice picnic baskets and little to-go boxes for fishermen. They could call ahead and grab a bunch and take off. It's also great for companies to mix and match, but they are packaged for delivery or pickup.

He's trying to fill a dinner niche in Fort Madison now that The Palms is gone. "Something a little nicer and a little more swanky with some catering. Take-and-bakes are also in the plans where casseroles and other hot dishes could be prepared ahead of time.

"This is another reason we needed to partner with River Rocks. We needed a bigger kitchen something that was more versatile, but stainless steel so we could make sure we're up to code, and could move quickly. We've been able to obtain some new equipment from other restaurants that closed due to Covid -bigger commercial convection ovens and that type of thing," he said.

Taylor said there are absolutely no changes associated with 10th Street Station.

"This has a built customer base and has been around for 95 years. This is a place that people look for," Taylor said.

The partnership with Holtkamp and Eastin have been very productive.

"They have been so supportive. I know what they are trying to accomplish and they know what I'm trying to accomplish," Taylor said.

He wants to use social media to spread the word and incorporate that into ordering.

"You have to be very versatile and expand on those normal channels you normally use to reach customers. A lot of those aren't there anymore. You have to really be able to touch point all of them."

More information can be obtained at the River Rocks Facebook page.

If ears are gonna ring, maybe they can ring The Beatles...

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gummies every six hours or as desired," the directions said. At that rate, the quantity I bought wouldn't last very long.

The first thing I noticed was that the buzzing in my ears (head) increased dramatically. "What is going on? I'd better stop eating these!" But then I remembered when a chiropractor cured me of migraine headaches. The migraines got worse before they disappeared all together, sort of like the last hoorah.

Lo-and-behold, in hardly more than 24 hours, the buzzing was gone. Hallelujah! I was doing jumping jacks. The noise in my head was reduced to, what I call, the gentle humming of the universe.

But, alas, the buzzing returned. I doubled up on the gummies. My supply was getting low, so I ordered more. The buzzing continued without abatement. I came down with vertigo that lasted three days. I stopped

taking the CBD gummies, and the tinnitus slowly reduced to the somewhat tolerable state it was in before the CBD's arrived. The vertigo vamoosed, also. I now have a rather large supply of CBD gummies that I don't know what to do with.

Moral of the story? If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. It's not the first time I bit on some quacky ad, and won't be the last, I'm sure. For me anyway, the CBD gummies do nothing for tinnitus, and possibly made it worse.

If I could just get the tinnitus to play music, like Ginnie's dad's tinnitus does. Maybe some Beatles. Yeah, "Penny Lane." That would be the cat's meow.

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Sports

DiPrima, Rhoer lead Hounds at Silver Streak Indoor

INDOOR MEET: Hounds missing some seniors but still medal in events

**BY CHUCK
VANDENBERG**
PCC SPORTS

MONMOUTH – Seniors Mikey DiPrima and Macaden Rhoer had top five finishes to lead the Fort Madison boys at the Silver Streak Last Chance indoor meet in Monmouth Saturday morning.

The Hounds competed at the Huff Recreational Center on the Monmouth College campus against some of the bigger high schools on the east side of Illinois. It's the fourth year the Hounds have made the trek across the river for the event on the 200m oval.

DiPrima, who qualified for state in the long-jump in 2021, hit 5'10" in the high jump Saturday, good enough for 4th place.

Rhoer motored to a fifth-place 9.41 in the 60m hurdles, about a .5 second off the pace of Chillicothe's Nolin Hulett (8.95). DiPrima also finished 8th in the long jump at 19'1".

Head Coach Mike Schneider said DiPrima and Rhoer are leaders on this year's squad that will be up against some heavy Southeast Conference competition with perennial powerhouses in Washington and Mt. Pleasant,

and now with Burlington in the mix.

"It's going to be even tougher with Burlington in there. They have a lot of kids out and they are good athletes. Washington is always tough to beat and Mt. Pleasant is always good in field events and hurdles. But I think we can be competitive," Schneider said.

The Hounds had a few that placed at state last year, including Dayton Davis and Jakob McGowan, not returning this year as seniors, but some some underclassmen are stepping in to fill roles.

Sophomore John Cottrell, who qualified at state in swimming, is handling some of the distance running along with senior Hayden Wolfe.

"Hayden is the veteran in that group of distance guys and John is in really good form and is really strong," Schneider said.

Cottrell ran a 5:05.32 in the 1600m on Saturday, good enough for 14th overall. He also ran a leg on the 4x800m with Wolfe, Cameron Shutwell, and Dane Butler who finished 10th overall at 10:06.26.

Freshman Caden Barnes is a nice surprise in the shot put. Barnes' brother



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Nick Fullenkamp takes off in the 4x400 relay Saturday as the boys schedule at the Silver Streak Last Chance Indoor meet at Monmouth College wraps up Saturday.

er Elijah throws for the University of Iowa. Caden took 19th overall Saturday with a 39'2" throw. The Bloodhound took 3rd Thursday at the Pekin Indoor meet at Central College.

"He's light years ahead of where a freshman would normally be," Schneider said.

Schneider said Rhoer has really taken on good

form and is running very fast. Rhoer was part of the shuttle relay team at Central College Thursday that took first place. He also took first place in the 60m hurdle event.

"These kids that came today have been coming every day over spring break and working hard and those are the kids that are going to run at meets," he said.

"DiPrima is a solid senior that's been doing it every year and working hard and reaping the benefits from that and is placing. Mac is another example of a kid hanging in there every year."

Schneider will also be relying on senior Andrew Schaefer, who also qualified for state last year in the 4x200 and 4x400 relays.

Complete results from Saturday and Thursday's indoor event at Central

College including Central Lee are below:

Fort Madison Boys – 60m -Phillip Goldie 7.47 (11th), Brody Cashman 8.08 (41st). 200m – Teague Smith 26.32 (32nd), Ike Thacher 27.40 (42nd). 400m – Heydan Segoviano 1:04.86 (35), Chandler Fullenkamp 1:06.24 (40th). 800m – Dane Butler 2:27.41 (26th), Gavin Callahan 3:01.24 (47th). 1600m – John Cottrell 5:05.32 (14th), Hayden Wolfe 5:36.70 (28th). 60 hurdles – Macaden Rhoer 9:41 (5th), Adam Sobczak 9.99 (9th), 4x200m – Andrew Schaefer, Nick Fullenkamp, Mikey DiPrima and Julian Dear 1:39.87 (9th), 4x400m – Schaefer, Fullenkamp, Rhoer, and Segoviano 4:16.35 (16th). 4x800m – Cottrell, Wolfe, Butler and Cameron Shutwell 10:06.26 (10th). Shot put – Caden Barnes 11.94m (39'2") (13th), Mateo Lozano 9.25m (30'4") (47th). High Jump – DiPrima 1.78m (5'10") (4th). Long Jump – DiPrima 5.82m (19'1") (8th), Fullenkamp 4.63m (15'2") (37th). Fort Madison Girls – 200m – Raquel Schneider 31.30 (31st), Chloe Sokolik 31.75 (36th), 800m – Katie Dennis 2:54.47 (14th), Aleya Walz 3:11.57 (29th), 1600m – Dennis 7:03.22 (21st), Walz 7:32.77 (27th). 60m hurdles – Schneider 10.83 (7th), Hailey Kemper 11:05 (11th), 4x200m – Schneider, Kemper, Sokolik and Aija Jenkins 2:08.12 (19th). Shot Put – Lexi Whaley 9.04m (29'8") (19th). Long jump – Kemper 4.14 (13'7") (24th). Pekin Indoor Track Meet (Thursday) Central Lee boys: Shuttle relay: Jayven Rooney, Ayden Kent, Tom Eschman and Kegan Damico 36:54 (6th). Shot Put – Ostin Moore 39'8" (1st), Brody Fuller 39'5" (2nd). Central Lee girls: Shuttle relay – Central Lee 36.54 (6th). 4x400m – Central Lee 5:14.00 (6th). Fort Madison boys: High jump: DiPrima 5'6" (3rd). Shot Put – Barnes 39'2" (3rd). Long Jump – DiPrima 18'7" (1st), Fullenkamp 16'6.5" (5th), Shuttle hurdle – Rhoer, Henry Wiseman, Smith, Sobczak 40.19 (1st), 55 hurdles – Rhoer 8.32 (1st). 4x200m – Schaefer, Fullenkamp, DiPrima and Dear 1:42.60 (3rd), 4x400m – Schaefer, Fullenkamp, Rhoer, and Segoviano 3:52.70 (3rd), 60m Shuttle relay – Smith, Wiseman, Segoviano and Fullenkamp 31.03 (5th). 4x800m relay – Cottrell, Wolfe, Butler and Shutwell 10:04.35 (4th), Distance Medley – Wolfe, Callahan, Shutwell and Cottrell – 13:51.25 (5th). California Mile (8x200) Smith, Thacher, Tommy White, Barnes, Luke Hellige, Braxton Schneider, Sobczak and Butler 3:48.10 (5th). Fort Madison girls: Shot Put – Whaley 29'11.5" (3rd). Long jump – 14'3" (3rd). 55 shuttle hurdle – Fort Madison 42.5 (1st). 55 lows – Jenkins 10.75 (3rd).

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 Budget Hearing for Approval of FY23 County Budget
 Consider Approval of Resolution Approving FY23 County Budget Public Input
 Discussion of FY21 Audit
 Consider Approval of Wellness Program
 Consider Approval of Tax Abatement Resolution

HELP WANTED

City Administrator/Utility Director

The City of West Point is currently accepting applications for the position of City Administrator/Utility Director. Responsibilities include supervising and directing the activities of all departments: Finance, Street, Police, Planning and Zoning, Recreation and Public Utilities.

The successful candidate will ensure that the policy decisions made by the Mayor, City Council and the West Point Municipal Electric Board are executed as well as the daily administrative business of the city.

Salary range based on experience. Please send resume to: City of West Point, P.O. Box 69, 313 5th Street, West Point, Iowa 52656 or email to cityofwestpointiowa@gmail.com. (319) 837-6313.

Accepting applications until Monday, March 28, 2022

Consider Approval of Contract with TNT Tuckpointing and Building Restoration for North Courthouse Tuck-point Project

Consider Approval of Class C Liquor License for Harvestville Farms
 Consider Approval of Monday, March 14, 2022 Board Minutes

Consider Approval of Claims for Payment Personnel Actions:

A. Step Increase-Auditor's Office
 B. New Hire-Attorney's Office
 C. Change from Salary to Hourly-EMS Reports:

A. Manure Management Annual Update for Marvin Holtkamp in Franklin Township
 B. Manure Management Annual Update for Kruse Bros. in Marion Township
 Commission or Committee Reports
 Adjourn

Workshop to Follow

PUBLIC MEETING
 CITIZENS WELCOME

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 319-372-3705
 County Website: www.leecounty.org

PUBLIC NOTICE
BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Meeting No. 6
March 21, 2022
5:30 p.m.
Thomas J. Smith
Council Chambers,
City Hall,
400 Washington Street

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 ROLL CALL
 COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE
 PROCLAMATION:
 * 2021 Police Officer of the Year: Will Reddick
 CONSENT AGENDA:
 To the Public:

All matters listed under Item 1, Consent Agenda, having been discussed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.
 MOTION: To approve

all listed under Item 1, Consent Agenda.

HEARINGS:

1. Statement: Consideration of Sale of Property Locally Known as 1611 S. 13th Street, City of Burlington, Iowa with Conditions

Motion to Close
 Resolution Approving Sale of Property Locally Known as 1611 S. 13th Street, City of Burlington, Iowa with Conditions

2. Statement: Consideration of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget
 Motion to Close
 Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget

3. Statement: Consideration of Proposal to Enter into General Obligation Loan Agreements and to Borrow Money Thereunder in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$10,850,000
 Motion to Close
 Resolution Approving Proposal to Enter into General Obligation Loan Agreements and to Borrow Money Thereunder in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$10,850,000

RESOLUTIONS:
 1. Resolution Approving Selection of Impact 7G for Cultural and Environmental Work for Cascade Ravine
 2. Resolution Approving the Final Plat of First Addition to Wunderlich Subdivision
 3. Resolution Approving the Final Plat of TLBL Creekside Subdivision

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER ADJOURNMENT
 Members of the public are invited to join Burlington City Council members at an informal, social gathering immediately following the adjournment of the formal City Council Meeting.

Gator's Grill & Spirits, 3313 Agency Street
 No business will be conducted. Attendance by City Council members is not required.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Lee County
Conservation Board
Agenda
March 21, 2022
Lee County
Conservation Center
2652 Hwy 61
Montrose, IA 52639
4:00 p.m.

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1. Call To Order
 2. Approval of Minutes from March 8, 2022

3. Hiring Process of Conservation Technician Position

4. Review and Take Possible Action on Cooperative Agreement with IA DNR on Prairie Seed Plot Project

5. Adjournment
 Hearing and vision assistance available upon request. Citizens are welcome to all LCCB meetings.
 Next regular meeting will be April 12, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE WEST POINT UTILITY SYSTEM
WEST POINT, IOWA
March 15th, 2022

The West Point Municipal Utility System Board of Trustees met in regular session at, West Point City Hall, West Point, Iowa 52656 on March 15th, 2022. Board Chairman Randy Welding called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board Member Ted Vonderhaar along with Board Member Brian Schmitz were present for this meeting. Tentative agenda was approved by consensus. Status of delinquent accounts was discussed and considered by Board Members in detail. Field operations report, as prepared by Utility Superintendent, was discussed by Board Members in detail.

Board Chairman reported on the following:

The next regular Utility System Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, April 12th, 2022 at West Point City Hall 5:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

On motion, minutes of prior regular meeting of February 15th, 2022 was approved. On motion, approved warrants payable for March 2022 as presented. On motion, meeting adjourned at 6:11

p.m., March 15th, 2022.

EXPENDITURES FOR MAY 2018

3rd GENERATION ELECTRIC - TRENCHING	150.00
ABOLT, RON - REBATE	100.00
AMAZON- INK CARTRIDGES;WORK GLOVES	155.82
CANTRIL TRUCK & TRAILER- 20' TRAILER FOR CAT MINI ..	8,700.00
CITY OF MEDIAPOLIS -ANNUAL DUES / MOTT	10.00
DAILY DEMOCRAT - LEGAL PUBLICATION	101.38
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FARM&HOME- OIL FILTER WRENCH	9.99
FLOYDS- TRASH PICK UP	105.00
FULLENKAMP INS. - PREMIUMS 413 6TH STREET	298.00
HUFFMAN WELDING - SAFETY GLOVES;GAUGE	542.24
IAMU -JAN-MAR DUES;22-23 ELEC MEMBER DUES	4,692.92
IOWA DEPT OF REVENUE- EXCISE,SALES,- CONSUMER	2,886.66
IOWA ONE CALL - LOCATE SERVICES	51.30
IPERS -RETIREMENT	2,315.54
JPW TECH - ITRON MAINTENANCE COVERAGE	718.68
MASTERCARD - UPS; OPEN HOUSE	315.36
MCFARLANDS- OFFICE SUPPLIES	73.99
MEDIACOM - TELE / INTERNET	269.48
MID AMERICAN - TELEPHONE	487.38
SPEERS BOUTUQUE-DYER SERVICE	53.50
PETTY CASH - 10.00	
RATHBUN REGINAL WATER ASSOC	6,432.00
RESALE POWER GROUP OF IOWA - WHOLESALE ELEC	78,035.91
RICOH - COPIER / COPIES	211.68
SONNY'S SUPERMARKET - SUPPLIES	20.85
STATE HYGIENIC LAB - LAB FEES	13.50
SUN LIFE FINANCIAL - INSURANCE	66.88
TASCO - PAGER SERVICE	153.63
TREASURER STATE OF IOWA - STATE TAX	687.96
USA BLUEBOOK- TRENDSHORE HYDRAULIC KIT	7,648.08

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Our PROMise – Prom assistance for teens in need – Come shop for a Prom dress and accessories. Dresses and accessories are available to those in need with a promise to return items for future use. March 20, 1-4pm; March 21st – 3:30-6pm; March 23, 3:30-6pm; and March 27, 1-4pm. 927 Avenue G (next to Aldi's). Call 319-520-8592 with questions.

Montrose Cemetery Cleanup – All plastic flowers that are in the ground must be picked up by March 21, 2022. After this date, all flowers not picked up will be discarded. In addition, Memorial Day flowers will now have to be picked up no later than two weeks after the holiday.

Lee County Economic Development Group Open House – Tuesday, March 22, 4:30-6:30pm. Help celebrate the opening of LCEDG's new offices at 2495 280th Street, Montrose. Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

City of Donnellson Tornado Warning Siren Test – The city of Donnellson will be conducting a test of the tornado warning system on March 23 at 10am.

Art Workshop – March 25, 2022 6pm-8pm, Ft. Madison Public Library (1920 Ave E). Art honors and reflects multiple aspects of a person's identity and personal experiences. No matter what our background, we all have the power to create. Please Join RVAP for trauma-informed art sessions. Anyone who has experienced trauma is welcome. RSVP: carmalitta-baum@uiowa.edu or 319-541-0963 (Not Required but appreciated). Sponsored by North Lee Community Foundation.

Sheaffer Golf Course Feather Party – March 26th. Meat bundle raffles start at 2pm. \$2.50 beers. www.SheafferGolf.com.

Back to the 90s Trivia Night – March 26th at the Fort Madison Eagles Club. Doors open at 6pm. Trivia starts at 7pm. \$150/table of 8. Walk-ins will be placed on a team and are \$20. Presented by Fort Madison Bloodhound Booster Club. Trivia! Raffle! Auction! Brings Snacks! Dress Up! Have Fun! Contact Kelly Knustrom at the high school with any questions.

Elvis Tribute Artist Junior Talley – March 26th, 7pm, Moose Lodge 671, 624 Avenue G, Fort Madison. Serving salisbury steak dinner, 5-7pm. Tickets are \$20.

Proper breeders need to help police illegal breeders

BREEDERS - Continued from Page 1

the welfare of all, pets and humans. One has to wonder what the health impact has been on the family that lived in that home, as well as the animals. And when children are involved, there's a whole new level to the urgency of correction.

So now it's time for breeders, legitimate breeders, to come to the table and help establish a framework for a business conducted in a manner that we should all expect... and monitor.

After all, freedoms are privileges lost when abused. We can all scream about overreach, but when things don't improve through internal and natural means, that's when external pressure and regulation become a requirement.

This seizure near Argyle was ultimately uncovered because someone told someone, who told someone, who told someone. That reporting needs to continue.

The other part of this is the commerce. Weber may have said it best, yet politely, when he said as Americans we tend to want things on the cheap and that creates the profitability of black market operations. If we stick to purchasing from licensed breeders with solid reputations for safe and humane treatment of all animals, we spur that retail economy and reward those cognizant efforts at commerce.

As the saying goes, anything else really is uncivilized.

The Animal Rescue League of Iowa was a Godsend for those animals. Many of these animals were not treated humanely and now almost all of them are in a place where they are being cared for and relocated to places where they can live out their lives.

I think we're actually fortunate that this came to light when it did and was resolved the way it was. Sheriff Stacy Weber said he now wants to work with county officials and breeders to craft a county law that addresses black market, unlicensed breeders in the county.

We agree. All counties should have something on the books that gives broad powers of inspection and correction to law enforcement, especially in a rural, poorer county like Lee County. When deputies have such a large footprint in terms of square miles, 550 to be exact, it's impossible to see everything.

So when they do, they can't be encumbered with waiting for this agency – or that warrant. They have to be able to take action. These animals were fortunate that the process worked as it did and so are we.

Humanity, as weird as it sounds, isn't just for humans.

Speaking of being human, the redistricting that took place last week that threw the election for supervisor into an 18-hour tailspin, could have come at a quicker pace. Election officials were forced to look very quickly at new districts and how they impact elections. Fortunately the right questions were asked and the issue of who is actually up for election was resolved – but that's Beside the Point.

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March 21 - 25
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Monday, March 21

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Tuesday, March 22

Beef Enchiladas, Spanish Rice

Wednesday, March 23

Roast Beef, Cheese Potatoes

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

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Friday, March 25

Fish & Shrimp Dinners

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Location: Eagles Club, Fort Madison

Time: Doors will open at 6:00, Trivia starts at 7:00

Theme: Back to the 90's

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Team Contact Person: _____ Phone Number: _____

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- Yes! Give us some more teammates if we still need them!
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*Must be 21 years or older

United Way of the Great River Region



Friday, May 6, 2022 • Sheaffer Memorial Golf Park • Fort Madison, Iowa

Team Registration—\$400 Deadline for Team Registration is **Monday, April 25, 2022**
Includes carts, lunch, free soda & water, snacks, 2 mulligans per golfer &
5 drink tickets per golfer (drink tickets not good for mixed drinks)

Packet pick-up will begin at 10:00 am.

Waiver & release must be signed before play begins.

Lunch at 11:00 am.

Shotgun start at 12:00 Noon.

Sponsor Name: _____

Team Name (if different from above): _____

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- Corporate Sponsor—\$1000** Maximize your sponsorship with the first deadline of **Monday, March 21, 2022**. Some advertising will already be done before the second deadline of **Monday, April 11, 2022**. Includes name & logo on advertising, banner hung at the golf course, hole sponsor sign, opportunity to be at the golf course to market to players, can have a four person golf team but not required. Please provide a jpeg file of your logo to the United Way. Use team registration page if entering a team in.
- Hospitality Sponsor—\$300** Deadline **Friday, April 29, 2022**. Includes name & logo on beverage carts, at the buffet line and throughout the golf course. Please provide a jpeg file of your logo to the United Way.
- Hole Sponsor—\$100** Deadline **Monday, April 25, 2022**. Includes sign by green and opportunity to be at your green to market to players. Please provide a jpeg file of you logo to the United Way.
- Team Sponsor—\$400** **See team registration page.** Deadline **Monday, April 25, 2022**. Includes: cart, lunch, free soda & water, snacks, 2 mulligans/golfer & 5 drink tickets/golfer (drink tickets not good for mixed drinks)

If you wish to be invoiced, please contact Karen Siefken at the United Way office at 319-524-4504.

Be sure to check the box by the sponsorship you are interested in.
If you are sponsoring a team, please use the team registration page.

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