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## Thursday crash injures one



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

County Emergency crews from Houghton, Lee County Sheriff's Dept., Iowa State Patrol, and Lee County EMS Ambulance responded to a vehicle-semi collision at the intersection of Hwy. 218 and Hwy. 16 at 12:25 p.m. Thursday. The victim, a woman, was taken by AirEvac to an area hospital. The semi was headed west bound on Hwy. 16 crossing the intersection when the vehicles collided.

## Group lands \$15K grant for child care study

**STATE GRANT:** Study could begin this spring

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – Lee County is one of just three counties to receive part of \$500,000 in state rural initiative grants, according to an announcement Thursday.

The state announced a half million dollars in grants out of programs created under Gov. Kim Reynolds' Empower Rural Iowa initiative.

Lee County will receive \$10,000 as part of a Rural Child Care Market Study grant program. The funds will be used in conjunction with a \$5,000 match that was obtained from Children First of Lee County and Lee County Child Abuse Prevention Council.

"This grant application was a collaborative project and I am grateful such a diverse group of community partners were able to come together and make this happen," said Brianna Kramer-Riesberg, a 1st Five Developmental Support Specialist, and Community Outreach and Development Project Coordinator with Lee County Health Department.

"I'm even more grateful that we have this grant opportunity to continue working together and building on efforts



KRAMER-RIESBERG

of Children First, child care professionals, Empowering Families, ARPA funds, school districts, and more. We are ready to delve deep into understanding our current child care system and strategizing opportunities to ensure each child has access to quality, affordable, safe child care in Lee County. This includes investigating the needs of the families AND the needs of the early childhood professionals."

Ginger Knisely, Director of Children First, said the study will be integral in efforts to dig deeper into child care issues in Lee County.

"Children First is pleased to be a partner in the effort to have a professional child care market study completed for our entire county. The data gained from the study will assist our board in making funding decisions in response to local needs in a concrete way."

The funds will be used to contract with First Children's Finance in Iowa to help determine the specific needs and solutions for the county's child care issues.

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### COUNTY NEWS

## KPD looking into Wed. shooting

*Authorities looking for suspects in connection with incident on S. 7th*

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

KEOKUK – Area law enforcement led by Keokuk Police responded to a report of shots fired in a Keokuk neighborhood Wednesday night.

According to a release from the Keokuk Police Department, officers were dispatched to the 400 block of South 7th Street on a report that gun shots had been fired into a home in the area.

Police set up a perimeter around the home and called in the Lee County Sheriff's office and the Iowa State Patrol for assistance.

Two residents were at home when a vehicle pulled up to the home and fire several shots into the residence. No one was injured in the incident. The two residents were taken from the home to a safe location.

The investigation also included a residence in the 600 block of Des Moines Street.

According to the release, police aren't considering the shooting a random crime, but said the incident is still under investigation.

Authorities also towed a vehicle from the scene

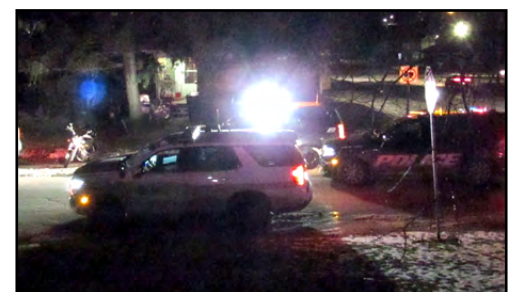


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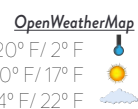
Keokuk Police and area law enforcement responded to a shooting Wednesday night in the 400 block of S. 7th St.

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### WEATHER

**FRI 21 Jan.....** Clear & Cold, 20° F / 2° F  
**SAT 22 Jan.....** Clear, 30° F / 17° F  
**SUN 23 Jan.....** Overcast, 34° F / 22° F



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# Obituaries/Scene Around the Area

## OBITUARIES

### ANGELA M. GROGAN

Angela "Angel" Michelle Grogan, 51, of Carthage, IL formerly of Keokuk, IA died Sunday, January 16, 2022 at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria, IL.

She was born February 21, 1970 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of James Michael "Mike" and Judith Mann Grogan. Angela graduated from Cardinal Stritch High School in Keokuk with the Class of 1989.



GROGAN

She married Troy Gundy on December 17, 1993 and they later divorced. She had been employed at Beck Oil in Keokuk.

She was a member of All Saints Catholic Church in Keokuk.

Angela had a strong competitive spirit and loved playing basketball. She enjoyed social media and watching her favorite television show, Grey's Anatomy. Angela was happiest when she was surrounded by her family. Her grandchildren were the sunshine of her life and she loved spending time with them.

She is survived by one son, Zachary Grogan- Gundy (Jordyn Mullens) of Keokuk, one daughter, Kortney Grogan-Gundy (James Haley) of Keokuk, four grandchildren, Isabella Bollin, Laikynn Haley, Paisley Mullens and Hensley Gundy. She is also survived by her mother, Judith Grogan of Carthage, IL, three sisters, Tiffany Dietrich (Dwayne) of Keokuk, Joni Greenslaugh (Shaun Moeller) of Keokuk and Traci Billings (Bruce) of Keokuk, several aunts, uncles and cousins and numerous nieces and nephews.

Angela was preceded in death by her father, Mike Grogan, one brother, Todd Hawley and several aunts and uncles including her aunt, Mary Fink.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with Father Marty Goetz officiating. The service will be live-streamed on Angela's obituary page (tribute wall) at [www.vigenmemorialhome.com](http://www.vigenmemorialhome.com). Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery in Keokuk.

Visitation will be held after 1 p.m., Thursday at the funeral home with the family meeting with friends from 6-8 p.m.

Memorials may be made to family.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.vigenmemorialhome.com](http://www.vigenmemorialhome.com).

### Pen City Current obituary policy

Pen City Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes. Reposting of obituaries due to changes can only be requested by the submitting funeral home and will be assessed a \$15 reposting fee.



Conagra employees present a check to United Way of the Great River Region for just over \$21,000 as part of the United Way's Fall 2021 giving campaign. Pictured from left to right: Cheryl Zimmerman, Deb Hammer, Dennis Tippy, Sarah Blodgett, Karen Siefken-UWGRR Executive Director, Chuck Vandenberg-UWGRR Treasurer, Joni Rothlauf, Lori Wilsey, Sarah Yaley, Tammy Panther-UWGRR Board member, Greg Hogan, Leah Jones - UWGRR Board member and Dan Linhart-UWGRR Board member

## Grant funds will help with child care gaps

### COUNTY - Continued from Page 1

Lee County currently ranks last in the state in the number of cases of child neglect and is in the bottom 10 in terms of reports of child abuse. Several communities are listed with the state as "child care deserts" in determining the number of child care slots compared to the need.

"Rural communities are the backbone of our state, and this latest round of grants will help them tackle tough challenges like housing, childcare, and recruitment," said Lt. Governor Adam Gregg.

"The Empower Rural Iowa initiative looks forward to building on this success and further ensuring opportunity and prosperity are present in all corners of Iowa."

## Legislative Reception

With State Legislators Representing Lee County

### WHEN:

Friday, January 21, 2022  
4:30-6:00 pm

Reception: 4:30-5:00

Q&A/Update discussion: 5:00-6:00 pm

### WHERE:

River Rocks Bar & Grill

709 Ave H (enter thru parking lot door)

This reception is an opportunity for area residents to talk directly with their elected state officials and discuss any legislative issues they would like to see addressed this legislative session, as well as listen to what our legislators will be working on.

Hosted by the Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee



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## Education News/For the Record



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### Books and burgers

Torrance Clark gets ready to eat a cheeseburger with some chick pea salad and rice after a session at the Elliott Test Kitchen Wednesday night in downtown Fort Madison.

# Binkleys again offering \$1,000 FMHS scholarship

PCC STAFF

CHICAGO – Two former Fort Madison High School students, who are also brothers have set up an annual scholarship for FMHS seniors.

Nathan Binkley (Class of 2002) and Kevin Binkley (Class of 2005) are University of Iowa graduates and are now both real estate brokers in Chicago. The two have set up a \$1,000 per year renewable scholarship for a total of four years for Fort Madison High School graduating seniors who are attending the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, or University of Northern Iowa.

Application and renewal application deadline is April 15th each year.

Applications should be a one-page summary outlining where you will be attending school in the fall, and your intended course of study. Applications are also encouraged to include any additional information they feel is important to success as a college student, such as grade point average, letters of recommendation, high school extracurricular activity, employment, etc.

Applicants are also encouraged to be engaging and colorful in their submissions.

Renewal applications will be sent annually to those selected for scholarships.

All applications should be forwarded to [nathan@nathanbinkley.com](mailto:nathan@nathanbinkley.com)

### For the Record

#### Fort Madison Police Report

01/19/22 – 12:00 a.m. – Fort Madison police arrested John Robert Winkle Mead, 42, of Fort Madison, in the 2800 block of Avenue A, on charges of assault w/ bodily injury and 1st offense trespassing. He was taken to Lee County Jail.  
01/19/22 – 12:00 a.m. – Fort Madison police cited Jeremy Montell Hemphill, 27, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 22nd Street

and Avenue F, on a charge of driving under suspension.  
01/19/22 – 5:50 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 5000 block of Avenue O.  
01/19/22 – 10:14 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 4800 block of Avenue O.  
01/19/22 – 3:36 p.m. – Fort Madison police responded to reports of larceny/theft in the 1500 block of

18th Street and the 1900 block of Avenue O.  
01/19/22 – 10:43 p.m. – Fort Madison police cited Andrew Michael Schiedel, 33, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 35th Street and Avenue L, on a charge of driving while barred.

#### Lee County Sheriff Report

01/19/22 – Lee County sheriff deputies had no activity to report. Those listed above are

arrested or cited on a suspicion of a crime and are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

#### Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

01/17/22 – Fort Madison Firefighters responded to five medical calls  
01/18/22 – Fort Madison Firefighters responded to three medical calls  
01/19/22 – Fort Madison Firefighters responded to one medical calls.

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## Sports/Current-Lee

# Hounds give up just six points in sweep at Keokuk

## FM wrestles just two matches in win over Illini West

BY PCC SPORTS

KEOKUK – Fort Madison’s Bloodhound wrestling team gave up just six points on the night in a sweep of Keokuk and Illini West Thursday in Keokuk.

The Hounds wrestled in just two matches against West as they rolled to an 84-0 win. Gavin Wiseman, ranked 9th in Class 3A at 152 lbs., recorded a fall at the 2:54 mark after turning the tide on Lance Belshaw.

Teague Smith then scored a pin at 1:59 over Shawn Watkins. Smith moved from 10th to 6th in this week’s IAWrestle rankings after knocking off the 4th-ranked wrestler in 3A at 160 lbs last weekend in Cedar Rapids.

All other Hound wins over Illini West were by forfeit.

The Hounds also beat Keokuk giving up just a pin at heavyweight when Jordan Salyers scored a pin over Fort Madison’s Cory Arnett at 4:44.

Wiseman and Smith both recorded pins against the Chiefs at 152 and 160. Brandt Booten got an 11-7

decision over Kolbe Barnes at 170. Jakob McGowan snapped a slump at 182 with a pin over Keokuk’s Dakota Haage in just :46. Ike Thacher got a pin over Aydan O’Connor in just :31 at 195 lbs.

The other wins for Fort Madison came by forfeit.

The Hounds travel to Urbandale this weekend for a loaded tournament in the Des Moines metro area at the Ed Winger Classic.

Complete results from Thursday are listed below:

Fort Madison (FOMA) 75.0 Keokuk (KEOK) 6.0  
 106: Gavyn Siemens (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 113: Tateum Schelich (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 120: Logan Pennock (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 126: Emmett Kruse (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 132: Henry Wiseman (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 138: Caleb Bolander (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 145: Aidan Pennock (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
 152: Gavin Wiseman (FOMA) over Kevun Joy (KEOK) (Fall 0:53)  
 160: Teague Smith (FOMA) over Hunter Haage (KEOK) (Fall 0:36)  
 170: Brandt Booten (FOMA) over Kolbe Barnes (KEOK) (Dec 11-7)  
 182: Jakob McGowan (FOMA) over Dakota Haage (KEOK) (Fall 0:46)  
 195: Isaac Thacher (FOMA) over Aydan O’Connor (KEOK)

(Fall 0:31) 220: Daniel Sokolik (FOMA) over (KEOK) (For.)  
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### CURRENT-LEE

**Iowa Dignity Project Transportation and Infrastructure Forum** – Thursday, January 27, 2022. Southeastern Community College Student Lobby, 335 Messenger Road, Keokuk. Please join us to hear from working class families about the struggles and needs they face in Lee County. Sponsored by the Iowa Federation of Labor, Iowa State Building Trades, & Teamsters Community Action Network.

**Great Gatsby Adult Prom Party** – January 29th, 8pm – midnight. LULAC Club, 1424 36th Street. DJ and Grazing Table. \$50/couple; \$25/single. Purchase tickets from Danyl at 319-371-9821. Proceeds will be donated to Elliott Test Kitchen.

**The Savannah Sipping Society** – Old Fort Players presents this Jones Hope Wooten comedy Feb. 4-6 & 11-13. Friday & Saturday shows start at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday shows start at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are available online at [OldFortPlayers.com](http://OldFortPlayers.com) or send them a Facebook message at <https://www.facebook.com/oldfortplayers/> to reserve tickets at the door to be purchased with cash or credit card.

**Central Lee Community School District Meeting** – Held the second Tuesday of every month at the Educational Services Center starting at 6:00 p.m.

**Donnellson City Council Meeting** – Held the first Monday of every month at Donnellson City Hall starting at 7:00 p.m.

**Fort Madison City Council Meeting** – Held the first and third Tuesday of every month at Fort Madison City Hall starting at 5:30 p.m.

**Fort Madison Community School District Meeting** – Held the first and third Mondays of every month at the District Office starting at 6:00 p.m.

**Fort Madison Public Library Meeting** – Held the third Thursday of every month at the Sheaffer Meeting Room starting at 5:30 p.m.

**Keokuk City Council Meeting** – Held the first and third Thursday of every month at Keokuk City Hall starting at 6:30 p.m.

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313 5th Street  
PO Box 69  
West Point, IA 52656

or via email to  
[cityofwestpointiowa@gmail.com](mailto:cityofwestpointiowa@gmail.com)

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ber 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Present: Matt Pflug, Rich Harlow, Ron Fedler and Rick Larkin. Present electronically was Garry Seyb. All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

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

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

Public Input: Kris Rankin with The Best You Coalition gave the Board an update on the coalition's efforts to curb substance misuse in Lee and Van Buren Counties.

Environmental Program Director Mike Shelangoski gave the Board an update on the Powdertown Sanitary Sewer Project.

Safety and Compliance Director Mark Klesner gave the Board a Safety Update.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Harlow, to table approval of a resolution lifting an embargo on Primrose Road, until completion of bridge work on Highway 2. Motion carried.

Moved by Larkin, seconded by Harlow, to allow the Chair to sign an appeal to the Keokuk Board of Adjustment to allow construction of a 300 foot telecommunications tower on County property located on Hilton Road. After discussion with Chief Deputy Will Conlee, Larkin amended his motion to table the matter. Harlow agreed to the amendment. The amended motion carried.

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve a mileage rate of fifty cents per mile for Fiscal Year 2023. Roll call: Fedler-aye, Seyb-aye, Harlow-aye, Larkin-aye and Pflug-aye. Motion carried.

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

### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-103

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: Derek Menke 1859 Hayes Lane West Point IA 52656 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 22nd day of November, 2021.

Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Rich Harlow,

Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rick Larkin, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-104

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: Justin and Rebecca Schau 2120 170th Ave Donnellson IA 52625 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 22nd day of November, 2021. Lee County Board of Supervisors /s/ Matt Pflug, Chairman; /s/ Rich Harlow,

Vice-Chair; /s/ Ron Fedler, Member; /s/ Rick Larkin, Member. Attest: /s/ Denise Fraise, Auditor. Motion carried.

Received and filed the Sheriff's Monthly Report for October 2021. Committee Reports: Seyb reported on a Pioneer Cemetery Commission meeting, an Econom-

### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-105

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: Daniel and Christine Kempker 2205 110th Street West Point IA 52656 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 22nd day of November, 2021.

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

Moved by Harlow, seconded by Larkin, to approve the Monday, November 15, 2021 Board minutes. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Fedler, seconded by Seyb, to approve a step increase for Jon Boudewyn, Correctional Officer, from \$18.11/hr. to \$19.49/hr., effective 11/9/21; a step increase for Secondary Roads employee Karl Rokosz, Maintenance, from \$22.34/hr. to \$22.85/hr., effective 12/2/21; new hire for EMS, Bob Jones, part-time Paramedic, \$20.16/hr., effective 12/1/21 and new hire for the Attorney's Office, Tabatha Cleveland, Legal Secretary, \$17.17/hr., effective 12/6/21. Motion carried.

Received and filed the Sheriff's Monthly Report for October 2021.

Committee Reports: Seyb reported on a Pioneer Cemetery Commission meeting, an Econom-

ic Development Board meeting and a Hwy 61 Coalition meeting. Larkin reported on a Community Action Board meeting and a Workforce Development Board meeting. Pflug reported that the County Medical Examiner will be leaving the area and there is another doctor willing to fill this position.

At 9:45 a.m., a motion was made by Harlow, seconded by Fedler, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

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

### Claims paid November 22, 2021

Next Deg, svcs	90.00
Ability Ntwrk, svcs	1663.88
A Abueg, svcs	150.00
Access Enrgy, svcs	1208.07
Alliant Enrgy, svcs	3157.03
Animal Hse, splys	26.95
J Baier, veh	28731.00
Bates Sntatn, svcs	450.00
A Beavers, exps	163.53
C Bell, svcs	34.10
Blessing Hlth, svcs	740.00
N Booten, exps	40.00
Bnd Tree Med, svcs	2509.17
Ray Bradley, svcs	130.00
Brightree Hm, svcs	2413.50
S Bryant, rent	130.00
CenturyLink, svcs	173.75
Commerce Bank 4imprint, splys	4009.67
932 3E CO, splys	163.76
Access Systems, svcs	225.32
Adobe, sbscrp	1034.39
Airport Holiday Inn, ldgng	786.24
Alcopro, splys	1141.94
Aldi, splys	111.77
Amazon, splys	15235.07
Axiom Systems, svcs	272.75
BP, gas	83.76
Brozene Hydraulic, parts	1813.95
Burlington Trailway, bus fare	173.00
Buzzard Billy's, meal	15.23
Canva, sbscrp	119.99
Casey's, fuel	172.06
CDW Govt, equip	4784.45
Centurylink, svcs	1503.48
Claim MD, sftwr	100.00
Complete Rental, equip	109.39
Court Ave Brewing, meals	117.09
Crescent parts, filters	549.20
Denmark Jet Stop, fuel	45.15
Diamond Dave's, meals	12.29

Dollar General, splys	122.80
Dollar Tree, splys	25.00
Donnellson Lumber, splys	26.46
Double Bubble, wash	8.50
Dynamic Fasteners, splys	109.33
EB IA Connections, reg	161.34
ES&S, splys	3837.95
Element, ldgng	152.57
Embassy Suites, ldgng	667.52
ESRI, svcs	4300.00
Farm & Home, splys	3.98
Goodyear, oil	33.21
Hampton Inn, ldgng	129.92
Hancock Journal, publ	948.16
Hartrick's, splys	87.87
Hulu, svcs	12.83
Hotel Julien, ldgng	268.70
Huffman's, splys	765.15
HyVee, meals	1366.98
I O W W A, dues	730.00
IA Dept Public Safety, svcs	30.00
Il Tollway, toll	9.70
IN Whilite Auto, svcs	137.60
Intab, labels	105.77
Jim Baier, svcs	2610.25
Jim's Lock, key	25.79
Kempker's, splys	870.37
Kum & Go, fuel	29.96
LU Midstates, svcs	255.14
Machine Shed, meals	71.42
Marriott, hotel	426.63
Mediacom, svcs	4800.00
McFarland-Swan, splys	872.00
Me & Billy, meals	18.46
Medpro, svcs	146.08
Nenard's, splys	1358.25
Netflix.com, svcs	19.25
Office Max, splys	1242.88
Olive Garden, meal	12.18
OPC State of IA, tax	1609.25
O'Reilly Auto, parts	121.74
PB Leasing, pstg	466.83
Perkins, meal	16.88
Plumbzilla, parts	216.02
Property Rec, dues	60.00
Quadient, pstg	194.91
Quill, rfnd	-93.87
Ramada, ldgng	145.60
Rathbun Water, water	114.50
Roteck.com, labels	52.40
Shell, fuel	49.56
Sherwin Williams, splys	63.39
Shoe Mall, boots	104.95
Shottenkirk, svcs	286.45
Sinclair Tractor, splys	35.52
Staples, rfnd	-290.39
Subway, meal	10.14
Tim's Repairs, svcs	607.90
Barrel House, meal	33.56

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US Cell, svcs	McFarlands, splys	24.99
USPS PO, mail	Mediacom, svcs	204.21
Van Meter, splys	R Meller, svcs	400.00
Verizon, svcs	Menke Auto, parts	450.20
Wal Mart, splys	MW Grp Bnfts, costs	911.40
Winners Circle, oil	Mohrfeld Elect, svcs	9875.19
Wiss & Will, equip	NAC, dues	717.00
WM Supercenter, splys	C Nelson, svcs	33.43
Cmpss Mnrls, splys	JJ Nichting, parts	1350.75
Democrat Co, publ	OREilly Auto, svcs	61.39
Dly Gate City, publ	OMG MW, svcs	956.53
Daniels Jntrl, svcs	A Pedersen, svcs	42.90
DMCo Hlth Dpt, svcs	Pen City Crnt, publ	119.98
Enderle Htg, parts	Plt Grove Bnk, splys	70878.33
5thDist Co Offcr, Dues	Powell/Son, sfty	14735.86
Floyds EZWay, svcs	Prairie Farms, splys	190.40
D Fraise, exps	Public Agncy, edu	525.00
FrnchRnkrAssc, svcs	Purchase Pwr, pstg	5045.00
GateHse Media, publ	Rainbo Oil, oil	1644.33
Gtwy Steel Pipe, svcs	M Shaffer, svcs	2000.00
F Gida, exps	ShiveHattery, svcs	1800.00
GRRWA, svcs	Shottenkirk, svcs	621.23
Grt Wstrn Sply, splys	Solutions, svcs	111.55
GrtAm Fnncl, svcs	SE IA Reg Med, svcs	450.00
TO Haas Tire, svcs	Spectra Build, svcs	57890.67
S Hanan, svcs	Stericycle, svcs	555.84
Health Sol, svcs	Stewart Auto, svcs	35.00
K Helling, exps	Stop Stick, equip	310.00
hibu, publ	T-Mobile, svcs	76.14
J Hissem, svcs	Team Stffng Sol, svcs	621.00
Indstrl Mtrs, splys	Two Rvrs Bnk, svcs	84322.72
Inghram Law, svcs	UMIMRA, svcs	1700.00
IA Bridge/Clvrt, mtrl	Verizon, svcs	438.27
IA Div lbr, prmt	M Walker, svcs	400.00
J&S Elec Bus, splys	West Pt Lmbr, splys	97.67
Jays Auto, svcs	Windstream, svcs	290.36
P Kaltefleiter, exps	Zions Bank, bonds	7021.25
Keltek, svcs	Zoll Medical, svcs	1985.00
Kirchner Trkg, svcs		
Klingner Assc, svcs		
R Kuntz, svcs		
LeeCo Sheriff, svcs		
LeeCo Treas, fees		
LeeCo Treas, costs		
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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
WEST POINT  
CITY COUNCIL  
WEST POINT, IOWA  
52656  
JANUARY 10, 2022**

Mayor Paul Walker called the properly noticed regular meeting of the City Council of the City of West Point to order in the American Legion, 309 Fifth Street, West Point, Iowa 52656 on January 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. In addition to Mayor Walker, the following indicated Council Members were present: Joe Loving; Brian Meierotto; Phil Kruse; Will Stuekerjuergen; and, Dan Waters. Absent: None. Upon invitation, Tom Pollpeter representing Lee County Conservation addressed the Council regarding Pollmiller Park improvements and requested participation in a survey to compile data. The Public Works Department report was reviewed. The Police Department report was reviewed. Mayor reported the following: FYE23 budget committee workshop times; Fireman's Ball will be held February 12, 2022; meeting date and time for meetings of Library Board; the upcoming Municipal Utility Board; and, next regular Council Meeting of February 14, 2022. Dennis McGregor presented City Administrator's report. On motions approved liquor license applications for TurnBOWL LLC (with outdoor service); and, American Legion Club Post #668 (no outdoor service). On motion set public hearing on approval of maximum tax levy for February 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Library. On motion approved urban revitalization tax exemption for Ann Menke at 406 Ave E; and, Adam Culver at 51 Seventh Street. On motion adopted Resolution No. 815-22 setting Utility Board compensation. On motion minutes of prior regular Council Meeting of December 13, 2021 were approved as presented. On motion Treasurer's Report for December

2021 was approved as presented. On motion warrants payable for January 2022 were approved as presented. On motion meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m., January 10, 2022.

#### CLAIMS REPORT FOR DECEMBER, 2021

ABC Fire, inspections	120.48
Aspelmeier & Fisch, svcs	122.50
Baker & Taylor, books	840.77
Bates Sanitation, svcs	600.00
City Clerk - FM, fees	320.00
Daily Democrat, publications	72.74
Delta Dental, premiums	117.76
Diane Smith, mileage/reimb	59.52
Floyd's E-Z-Way, trash hauling	105.00
Great Western Supply, supplies	156.49
GRRWA, fees	432.00
Hope Haven, svcs	5.00
Iowa Dept of Revenue, taxes	(958.00)
Iowa Finance Authority, interest	14910.00
J&M Korner, refund/supplies	41.66
John Rempe, svcs	2350.00
Kim's Confections, sup-	

plies	27.00
Lee Co Abstract, svcs	100.00
LJ Neuweg Rental, lease	65.00
Mary Jane Pranger, cleaning	132.00
Mastercard, supplies	606.19
Mediacom, telephone	573.55
Micromarketing, books	43.17
Midamerican Energy, utilities	83.87
Mississippi Valley Pump, repair	4640.00
Per Mar Security, svcs	288.27
Petty Cash, supplies	14.27
Pilot Grove Savings Bank, P&I	32578.40
Ricoh USA, copier	140.71
Sun Life Financial, premiums	250.28
SYNCB/Amazon	429.07
US Cellular, telephone	65.64
US Postal Service, postage	23.65
Verizon Wireless, data plan	40.01
Wellmark BC/BS, premiums	2935.49
West Point & St Paul Fire, allotment	9960.43
West Point Lumber, supplies	14.17
West Point Prof Group, lease	685.00
West Point Utilities, utilities	2262.86

Wex Bank, fuel	639.09
Windstream, telephone	197.48

#### RECAPITULATION

FUND: PREV BAL, RCPTS, DSBSD, CUR BAL: Gen. Govt.: 548786.88, 26234.99, 90378.07, 484643.80; Grants: 1045.26 ---, ---, 1045.26; Cap Equip: 4127.06, ---, ---, 4127.06; Lib County/ St: 5612.63, 2461.65, 918.47, 7155.81; Lib Mem & Gift: 12539.23, 242.45, 1057.51, 11724.17; Hoenig Estate: 554609.76, 24007.19, 56.71, 578560.24; Road Use: 50793.64, 9171.10, 6797.05, 52985.69; LOS: ---, 9886.82, 9886.82, ---; Walk Path: (3974.58), ---, (3974.58); Am Rescue: 69551.52, ---, ---, 69551.52; Sewer: 50585.73, 20807.45, 32840.36, 38552.82; Sewer Sinking: 50410.02, 8401.68, 14910.00, 43901.70; Landfill: 259.53, ---, ---, 259.53

/s/ Paul Walker, Mayor  
Attest: Diane E. Smith, City Clerk

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Lee County Health Department is seeking a full-time Certified Nurse's Aide to work in the agency's Homecare and Hospice programs. This position requires travel to client homes in the agency's service area. If interested please mail resume to LCHD, Attn: Becky Fader, PO Box 1426, Fort Madison, IA 52627 or email [bfader@leecountyhd.org](mailto:bfader@leecountyhd.org). LCHD is EOE.



## Local News/Iowa News

### Miller outlines opioid/fentanyl impact

DES MOINES — Attorney General Tom Miller provided an update on the opioid epidemic on Thursday, including a look at the increased use of fentanyl.

The AG's office has worked to address the opioid crisis in the state for the past five years, challenging and suing manufacturers and distributors. The office has focused on prevention, including the over-prescription of opioids that caused this crisis, and treatment, specifically on MAT or Medication for Addiction Treatment.

"Despite this work, we have seen the deaths from fentanyl rush to the front of the United States and Iowa," Miller said during a news conference on Thursday. "The deaths we've seen have been heartbreaking. The pain and suffering of people who are addicted and their families and friends, is enormous."

Recently released statistics by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concerning overdose deaths was "shocking," Miller said.

"We take a temporary time out to tell the public about this enormous disaster, while we continue to work on these opioid issues," Miller said.

Joining Miller during a news conference on Thursday to discuss the concerning rise in fentanyl-related overdoses were acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa Rich Westphal, Dr. Gerard Clancy, MD, a professor of psychiatry and Senior Associate Dean for External Affairs at UI Carver College of Medicine, and Dr. Alison Lynch, MD, professor of psychiatry and family medicine, and director of the

opioid addiction clinic at UI Hospitals & Clinics.

Key Takeaways:

According to the CDC, from April 2020 to April 2021, more than 100,000 Americans died of drug overdoses, nearly 64,000 related to fentanyl. In 2011, fentanyl accounted for just 2,000 deaths.

The Iowa Department of Public Health estimates that fentanyl deaths rose from 31% of all overdoses in 2016 to 87% in 2021.

Fentanyl contamination of other drugs — including heroin, cocaine, and methamphetamine — is increasing the risk of overdoses.

Dr. Lynch notes that it is much more difficult to resuscitate someone who has ingested fentanyl, necessitating multiple doses of medication such as naloxone. The drug can also complicate treatment.

Acting U.S. Attorney Westphal noted a glut of fentanyl, including counterfeit pills that can contain a lethal dose of the drug. He noted that federal authorities are focused on disrupting the supply of fentanyl, including charges against 27 people in July 2021.

In September 2021, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency released a public safety alert regarding the sharp increase in fake prescription pills that include fentanyl.

Nationally, more than 9.5 million counterfeit pills were seized in the first nine months of 2021.

The number of seized counterfeit pills including at least two milligrams (considered a lethal dose) of fentanyl jumped nearly 430% since 2019, according to DEA.

### DNR holds meeting at Starr's Cave to discuss rule changes

DES MOINES - DNR finalizes public meeting locations to recap hunting, trapping seasons, discuss possible rule changes.

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is hosting a series of town hall-style meetings where local staff will provide updates on recently completed hunting and trapping seasons, discuss possible changes to hunting and trapping rules and regulations, and address other topics as requested.

"We want people to come out to these meetings, listen to the seasons reviews, ask questions and hear directly from our staff," said Todd Bishop, chief of the Iowa DNR's Wildlife Bureau. "Part of the meeting will be

devoted to discussing potential rule changes and collecting feedback as we work through the rules process."

The meetings are open to the public. Comments collected from these public meetings will be considered along with other related comments received by the Iowa DNR prior to proposing changes to hunting rules and regulations. Proposed rules will be presented to the Natural Resource Commission during a regular public meeting for consideration and additional public comment.

The southeast Iowa meeting will take place in Burlington, Feb. 23, 5 p.m., at Starr's Cave Nature Center, 11627 Starr's Cave Road

### Family donates trees to Old Settlers Park in girl's memory

FORT MADISON - Two new Dwarf Christmas trees have been added to the Thorn Brother's Flag Memorial in Old Settlers Park recently. The Old Settlers Association cleared out the bedding last fall and had discussed but not acted on the landscaping.

Shortly after the meeting a text was received by Sheryl Decker from Cindy Smallwood who inquired if there was something needed in the park. They were looking for a way to honor the life of their granddaughter Lilly Grace who passed away at the young age of 3 years. Cindy said Lilly Grace loved to play in the park and look at the flowers and animals and loved singing and dancing. Sheryl suggested "Music in the Park" sponsors would be an option for 2022 or possibly a tree - something more permanent. Cindy and David soon advised they would like to do both.

The OSA thought two dwarf Christmas trees would



Old Settler's Association President Jim Decker stands with one of two new dwarf Christmas trees presented in November.

be perfect to start the new landscaping effort - the 2nd tree purchased would be from the Dodie Jerome memorial fund. Dodie's love for the park and enthusiasm

for all its fundraising efforts is remembered by many friends in the community. The dedication of these new gifts will be celebrated during concert season.

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