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County to reopen offices Aug. 3

MASKS REQUIRED: County will require face coverings at all county offices

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – Lee County Supervisors voted to open the North Lee County office building under some on-going health restrictions effective Aug. 3.

After a lengthy discussion at Tuesday's regular board meeting, the Lee County Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 to open the North Lee County office building the first Monday in August.

Driver's License services, specifically testing, will only be done by appointment, but the rest of the buildings will be open to county residents. Social distancing of six feet will be

included as will a requirement to wear masks for entry.

Supervisor Rich Harlow said he's been hearing from residents that it's time to reopen the buildings to the public.

"The calls I'm getting are asking us to go forward, but also to strongly encourage everyone to wear masks," Harlow said.

Lee County Treasurer Chris Spann said the Iowa Department of Transportation is still issuing guidance to do testing and driver's license services by appointment only. She said she wasn't sure if it was a mandate, or just strongly encouraged. Motor vehicle services such as registrations and title work will be open to customer flow.

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POSITION STATEMENT

Supervisors back Board of Health

Lee County Board of Health says large gatherings are ill-advised

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY – A statement from the Lee County Board of Health discouraging any large scale public events while pandemic numbers in the state are rising, now has the support of the Lee County Supervisors.

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors, a resolution was passed unanimously supporting the Board of Health's position.

The Board of Health put out a statement through the Lee County Health Department on Thursday saying holding large scale public events in Lee County is ill-advised.

The statement specifically addressed the Tri-State Rodeo and parade. The Rodeo announced a week ago that they were cancelling all pre-rodeo activities during the four days leading up to the competitive action, but said that part of the event will go on, as will scheduled entertainment.

The board released it's statement two days later. However the statement didn't address Riverfest by name, which kicks off Aug. 6 on Fort Madison's riverfront.

"Lee County Board of Health has a responsibility to address the health concerns of Lee County citizens and is taking the position that large scale events planned in 2020, such as the Tri-State Rodeo, and rodeo parade, are ill-advised," the board wrote in a prepared statement released Thursday.

"A lot of people are coming from outside of Lee County and we don't know where they're coming from," said Supervisor Chairman Ron Fedler.

"It's not that they're against all these events – and almost all the events in Lee County, Watermelon Festival, Sweet Corn Festival, Labor Day parade, County Fair, all didn't happen That is those boards' decision. This (resolution) has no authority when it

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Iowa City man runs through FM as part of 99-county tour

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – A 32-year-old Iowa City man is using his spare time to literally run in every county in the state.

On Friday, Tyler Sullivan, an employee with the University of Iowa stopped in Fort Madison and Keokuk to run with Holy Trinity Catholic senior Matt Hellige.

The two ran about six miles through Fort Madison Friday, stopping at historical places such as the Sheaffer Pen Museum and the Old Fort. Then



Courtesy photo

Matt Hellige, left, and Tyler Sullivan, right, do some stride workouts as part of their Friday run through Fort Madison. Sullivan has set a goal to run through every county, town, and incorporated township in the state.

added another eight miles on Saturday in Keokuk.

Sullivan said he was impressed with Fort Madison's downtown and the work that was going on to rehab the

Hwy. 61 business route.

"I normally run from Memorial Day to Labor Day, with a focus mostly on seeing museums, special attractions

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COVID-19

Hy-Vee to hand out masks to all customers starting July 27

WEST DES MOINES — In an effort to protect its customers and employees from COVID-19, Hy-Vee will distribute free masks to those entering its stores starting Monday, July 27.

The company will hand out more than three million free masks in an effort to help support the CDC's recommendation to wear

masks in public by launching a new initiative called "Mask It Up To Shut COVID Down. It's Your Choice."

Starting July 27, employees will be stationed at the front doors of all stores to hand out masks to customers who are not wearing one prior to shopping. Customers will also see signage, employee attire, and

other reminders around the store about the educational campaign.

Hy-Vee employees have been wearing masks since nearly the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Midwest grocer was recently named one of the top three supermarkets in America for its handling of the COVID-19 crisis.

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Fort Madison Police Report

07/15/20 – 3:49 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1300 block of Avenue C.
 07/15/20 – 10:53 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1400 block of Avenue D.
 07/15/20 – 4:02 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1500 block of Avenue E.
 07/15/20 – 11:13 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Danny Ross, 58, of Fort Madison, in the 5800 block of Avenue O, on a charge of driving under suspension.
 07/15/20 – 8:12 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Marty Joe Cochenour, 44, of Fort Madison, in the 400 block of Crescent Lane.
 07/16/20 – 7:45 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 3400 block of Avenue N.
 07/16/20 – 12:01 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2400 block of Avenue L.
 07/16/20 – 5:05 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run on Cindy Drive.
 07/16/20 – 9:19 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1200 block of Avenue I.
 07/17/20 – 6:31 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1300 block of Avenue C.
 07/17/20 – 6:38 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2600 block of Avenue L.

07/17/20 – 7:59 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 400 block of Vica Lane.
 07/17/20 – 12:45 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the in the 2600 block of Avenue L.
 07/17/20 – 2:42 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 200 block of 2nd Street.
 07/17/20 – 4:20 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 300 block of 12th Street.
 07/18/20 – 5:19 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the Fort Madison area.
 07/18/20 – 6:39 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1700 block of Avenue H.
 07/18/20 – 7:47 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Travis Lee Blint, 36, of Fort Madison, at 14th Street and Avenue D, on a charge of driving under suspension.
 07/18/20 – 10:21 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Joseph Howard Orr, 39, of Fort Madison, in the 2700 block of Avenue O, on a charge of aggravated domestic abuse. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 07/18/20 – 10:21 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Tamar Ann Scholz, 44, of Fort Madison, in the 2700 block of Avenue O, on a charge of simple domestic abuse assault. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 07/19/20 – 12:18 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in

the 300 block of 12th Street.
 07/19/20 – 12:46 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1200 block of Avenue H.
 07/19/20 – 3:25 a.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Larry Leroy Dawson, 27, of Fort Madison, at 23rd Street and Avenue C, on a charge of driving under suspension.
 07/19/20 – 7:47 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 5000 block of Avenue O.
 07/19/20 – 6:27 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1300 block of Avenue D.
 07/19/20 – 7:14 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 2600 block of Avenue L.
 07/19/20 – 7:23 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Nikki Necole Juhl, 29, of Fort Madison at 16th Street and Avenue E, on a charge of driving under suspension.
 07/20/20 – 10:50 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 800 block of Avenue F.
 07/20/20 – 10:56 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2900 block of Avenue K.
 07/20/20 – 11:43 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run on Richards Drive.
 07/20/20 – 2:18 p.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Andrea Louise Blint, 36, of Fort Madison, in the 3700 block of Avenue O, on a warrant service. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 07/20/20 – 2:56 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to

a report of a larceny/theft in the 3000 block of Avenue N.
 07/20/20 – 5:50 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident at 27th Street and Avenue J.
 07/20/20 – 10:38 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident on Tammy Lane.
 07/20/20 – 10:59 p.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Austin Lee Smith, 29, of Fort Madison, on Tammy Lane on a charge of OWI. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 07/21/20 – 6:02 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2500 block of Avenue A.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

07/16/20 – 8:42 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Richard Edward Huffman, 57, of West Point, at the sheriff's office on a judgment hold. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released for time served.
 07/16/20 – 12:13 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies cited Raymond Evan Hymes, 27, of Fort Madison, no location given, on a charge of driving while barred.
 07/17/20 – 1:48 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Paul Douglas Bowden, 35, of Fort Madison, in the 3600 block of Avenue O, on charges of driving while barred and being a fugitive from justice. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 07/17/20 – 3:06 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies

arrested Jorge Gonazalez, 42, of Wever, at the sheriff's office on a judgment hold. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 07/18/20 – 4:39 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Randall Lee Brown, 45, of Burlington, at the Lee/Des Moines county line on a charge of 1st-degree theft. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Hancock County Sheriff's Report

07/13/20 – Devin W Schofield, age 26, of Carthage, IL was arrested on a Lee County IA Warrant charging him with Pretrial Release Violation on original charges of Burglary and Possession of Burglary Tools. Schofield was released to Lee County IA Authorities.
 07/15/20 – Timothy W Letcher, age 39, of Hamilton, IL was arrested on a Adams County Warrant charging him with Aggravated Driving Under the Influence. Letcher was released to Adams County Authorities.
 07/15/20 – Beth A Yockey, age 44, of Montrose IA, was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended. Yockey was also arrested on McDonough County Warrant charging her with Possession of Methamphetamine, Driving While Intoxicated, Uninsured Motor Vehicle, and Improper Lane Usage. Yockey was Released to McDonough County Authorities.
 07/16/20 – Sierra R Helenthal, age 28, of Keokuk, IA was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging her with Failure to Appear on original charges of littering. Helenthal was released after posting the required bond and given a future court date.
 07/16/20 – Aaron D Roth, age 30, of Little York, IL was arrested and charged with Violation of Bail Bond. Roth remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting his

next court appearance.
 07/16/20 – William A Wieland, age 34, of West Point, IL was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended. Wieland was also arrested on a Adams County Warrant charging him with Failure to Appear on original charges of Speeding, Uninsured Motor Vehicle, and Criminal Damage to Property. Wieland was released after posting the required bond.
 07/16/20 – William J Carpenter, age 52, of Plymouth, IL was arrested on a Hancock County Warrant charging him with Failure to Appear on original charges of Theft, Domestic Battery, Driving While Intoxicated, and Criminal Trespass. Carpenter was released after posting the required bond.
 07/16/20 – Lonny D Feilen, age 23, of Keokuk, IA was arrested and charged with Violation of Bail Bond. Feilen remains lodged in the Hancock County Jail in lieu of bail awaiting his next court appearance.
 07/17/20 – Robin L Paul, age 58, of Carthage, IL was arrested and charged with Driving Under the Influence. Paul was released after posting the required bond.
 07/17/20 – Whitney C Morgan, age 35, of Donnelson, IA was arrested on an Adams County Warrant charging her with Failure to Appear on original charges of Speeding. Morgan was released after posting the required bond.
Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

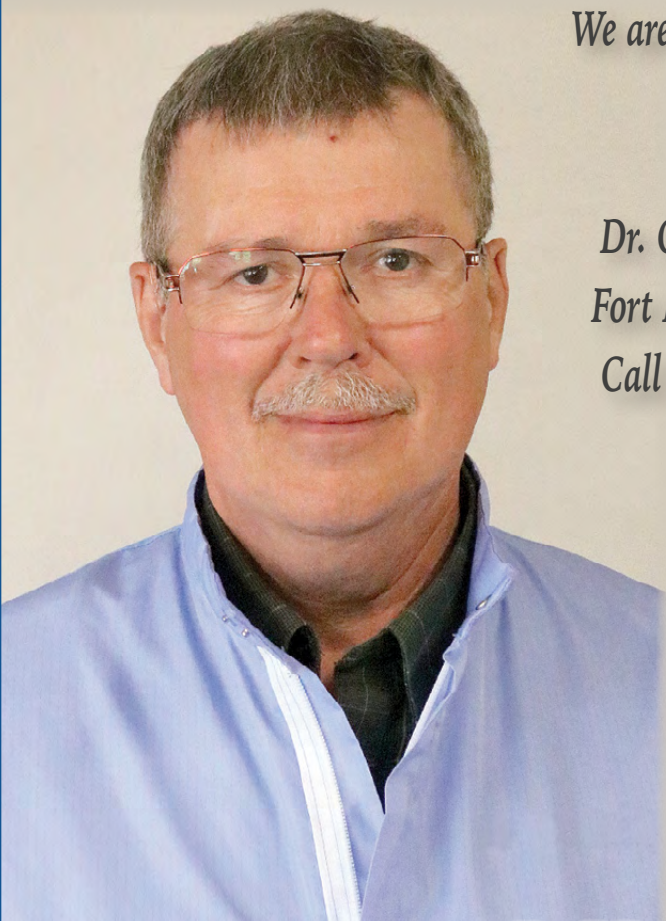
07/18/20 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical calls and one assist.
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Obituaries/From the Front

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM D. REAL

William Delbert Real, 89 of Keokuk, IA died Monday, July 20, 2020 at his home.

He was born January 24, 1931 in Keokuk, IA the son of Joseph Edward and Elizabeth Rose Real. On December 23, 1948 he was united in marriage to Mary Elizabeth (Harrison) Real in Keokuk. She survives.



REAL

Other survivors include nine children, Wanda (Allan) Elliott of Biloxi, MS, William "Bill" (Kathy) Real of Brownsville, TX, L. Sue Kay of Keokuk, Mary (Kevin) Hageman of St. Louis, MO, Ruth (Steve) Block of Keokuk, Laura (Bill) Coppage of Denmark, IA, Rita (Joel) Harris of Dalton, GA, Nancy (Bill) Murrell of Muscogee, OK and Lisa (Tim) Stevens of Windsor Heights, IA, twenty grandchildren, Joshua Elliott, Grant Elliott, Dr. Lance Real, David Hageman, Denise Hageman Kersey, Sequoia Block, Sarah Block Harsha, Liz Block, Mindie Reece Druery, Crystal Reece Phillips, Levi Coppage, Justin Coppage, Evan Thomsen, Mary Harris Clapp, William Murrell, Maggie Murrell, Kevin Stevens, Kyle Stevens, Ashley Stevens Appleton and Annie Stevens Gallaher and twenty-two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by one brother, Robert "Bob" Real of Keokuk, two sisters, Jeanette Real Butler and Emma Real Harrison both of Keokuk and special friends, Jimmy (Nici) Johnson of Argyle, IA.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three grandchildren, Michelle Lee Hageman, Jenny Marie Hageman Tillman and Leslie Leann Real Jones and one great-grandchild, Alleyna Joy Kersey.

Delbert had been employed at Electro Metals in Keokuk, for forty-six years until his retirement in 1994. He also enjoyed fifty-five years of farming.

Delbert was a people person by nature and loved to visit with others. There was nothing Delbert enjoyed more than his daily conversations with his coffee group at McDonald's. To his friends he was always a very kind person and was ready to help.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Pastor Ray Gilbert officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park in Keokuk.

Runner looking to publish book after finishing tour of Iowa

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and visiting with people," Sullivan said.

Runner Tyler Sullivan took this photo inside the Old Fort on his run through Fort Madison on Friday. Sullivan is trying to run through all 99 state counties and 1,280 towns and incorporated towns in the state. Image courtesy of Tyler Sullivan.

The challenge came to him three years ago when a friend encouraged him to think about running in every county. Sullivan said he's expanded to not just running in every county, but every town and incorporated township.

"I'm at currently at 84 counties," he said. "I was hoping to do five more this year. But now I'm really focusing more on towns. Officially there are 947 towns and if I included the incorporated areas that totals about 1,280."

The bigger the town, the more miles he runs, Sullivan said.

"I did about six miles while in Fort Madison, but then we went down to Keokuk and that's a bigger place, so I did about eight miles with Matt and John there."

Hellige's father John Hellige pedaled on a bicycle trying to keep up with two runners on Friday and Saturday. The Keokuk stop was on Saturday. The Hellige's hosted Sullivan for the weekend.

Sullivan said he enjoyed the Fort Madison downtown, especially the pen museum.

"I never thought so much would go into a pen," he said. "They had a picture of the 20 pieces in a ball point pen. I had no clue it had so many pieces."

He said the Fort was interesting with staff firing the gun for him during his tour.

Research is a big part of the touring. Sullivan said he likes to have an idea of where he'd like to go so he looks to apps to search for historical perspectives. He also takes a lot of pictures.

When he gets through all the counties, towns, and townships, Sullivan wants to write some poetry about the runs and then self-publish a book about his experiences. He's already self-published two books.

"When I run in these towns, I do a minimum of one mile, the larger the populations, the longer I run. In Keokuk ran with Matt about eight miles."

He still wants to hit West Point in Lee County and will probably do that during the next Sweet Corn Festival run.

He said the tours really make him aware of what there is in Iowa, and he said his publishings and Facebook posts help others recognize what's in their state and become more aware of what's around them.

People can find him on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/whoisyourredcardinal>.

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Sports/Lee County News

Central Lee boys move to substate Wednesday night

Tuesday Class 2A substate game moved to Wednesday due to heavy rains in MEPO

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

Shane Weirather called it “solid contact,” and it was. It didn’t feel that way to the guy who hit it. “Felt like nothing hit the bat, really,” Central Lee’s Jadon Hawk said. “That’s when you know it’s a good hit.”

Hawk’s home run tied the game, a dropped fly ball brought in the go-ahead run, and the diving catch of



another fly ball turned into a double play.

Central Lee’s 2-1 win over Mediapolis in Saturday’s Class 2A district final was described as “pretty good baseball” by Weirather, the Hawks’ coach, and he was right.

Dylan Stuecker and Hawk combined on a five-hitter

as the Hawks (12-1) advance to Tuesday’s substate final against Mid-Prairie.

Hawk’s one-out home run in the fourth inning tied the game.

“Fastball, belly high,” Hawk said. “Just where I like it.”

Central Lee had just one hit over the first three innings against Mediapolis starter Tyler Samuel. Five of the first nine outs were soft fly balls.

So when Hawk connected?

“Huge,” Weirather said.

Central Lee then took the lead an inning later. Alex Sandoval led off the inning with a single and stole second base. Samuel struck out Jonny Snider and got Kade Myhre on an infield popup.

T.J. Stutes followed with a fly ball to Mediapolis center fielder Josh Darbyshire that looked like the third out. But Darbyshire misplayed the ball, and Sandoval scored easily.

Hawk took over for Stuecker in the sixth and promptly gave up a double to Jaxon Brooks to start the inning. Max McClure followed with a fly ball into left field that looked like it might fall for a hit, but Myhre made a diving catch, then got up and threw to second to get the double play on Brooks, who had started running before he tried to race back to the base.

“Oh, amazing,” Weirather said. “Amazing catch.”

“Saved my butt, that’s for sure,” Hawk said. “I hung a curveball, and he hit it out there. I saw it started to fall in that little triangle there between (shortstop), center and left. If it got by him ... he made a hell of a play ... but if it had gotten by him it would have been a lot of trouble.”

Hawk walked Colby Whitaker to start the seventh inning, then struck out the next three hitters to complete the win.

The Hawks opened the postseason with a 9-6 win over Van Buren. This game had a different tone.

“It’s pretty good baseball,” Weirather said. “Played pretty good defense. We pitched really well. We kept it close. We didn’t have to score a bunch of runs. So if you have to win it 2-1...”

Central Lee will take on Mid-Prairie on Tuesday for the right to return to the state Class 2A tournament.

County charitable fund gives out \$70k

LEE COUNTY - The Board of Directors of The Lee County Charitable Fund met this summer to award grants to Lee County Iowa 501 C (3) exempt non-profit organizations and qualified government agencies. The Lee County Charitable Fund consists of board members from both North Lee Community Foundation County and The Keokuk Area Community Foundation. The directors of the Lee County Charitable Fund awarded 17 Lee County nonprofit organizations grant funding. Grants were awarded to nonprofit organizations that promoted the fields of arts and culture, community betterment, education, health, and human services in Lee County Iowa. \$70,024.00 was distributed to 17 Lee County nonprofit organizations.

Organization/Project

City of Donnellson: May’s Park Project

Domestic Violence Intervention Program: Safe Housing for Victims of Domestic Abuse

Emma Cornelis Hospitality House: Homeless Shelter

Food Bank of Iowa: Feeding Lee County Seniors

Girl Scouts of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois: Girl Scout Leadership and Character-Building Program

Grand Theatre Corporate Foundation: Boiler Room Re-Piping Project

Hoerner YMCA: Window Wall

Holy Trinity Catholic Educational Foundation: SmartBoard Acquisitions

Hope Haven: Cycle for You Project

Keokuk Area Convention & Tourism Bureau Foundation: Keokuk Billboard Replacement

Keokuk Catholic Schools/St. Vincent’s Elementary: One-to-One Learning Project



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Sports/Classifieds

MP ends Fort Madison's season in first round of districts

Panthers' fourth win over Fort Madison in 2020 ends Bloodhounds' shortened year at 11-7

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS



MOUNT PLEASANT — There was a moment early in Friday's Class 3A district semifinal game when Fort Madison High School had a chance to take control of the game.

But that moment went away quickly.

Mount Pleasant got out of some early trouble caused by the Bloodhounds, then strung together back-to-back four-run innings in a 9-2 win over the Bloodhounds.

The Panthers (15-6) play Davenport Assumption in Monday's 7 p.m. district final.

The Bloodhounds had a 2-0 lead in the top of the second when Jace Burgher led off with a walk. Garrett Hannum's sacrifice bunt moved Burgher to second with the top of the Fort Madison batting

order coming up. But Mount Pleasant pitcher Nik Coble got Landes Williams and Jason Thurman on ground outs to end the inning, leaving Burgher stranded at third base.

"We get the bunt with nobody out, we were trying to get a two-for-one there, trying to bunt for a base hit," Fort Madison coach Ron Walker said.

"We just couldn't get that run."

The Panthers then took control in the bottom of the third.

A throwing error brought in Mount Pleasant's first run, then Coble hit a line-drive three-run home run to right field.

In the fourth inning, Mount Pleasant got one

run on a fielder's choice when Jack Johnson beat a throw home. Rylan Seberg's double scored Chase Williams, then Clayton Lowery followed with a two-run homer for an 8-2 lead.

The Bloodhounds committed four errors.

"We got a little complacent, a little lackadaisical on defense," Walker said.

Fort Madison got all of its runs in the first inning when Jason Thurman and Vasin Thurman scored on errors. But the Bloodhounds wouldn't threaten again until the seventh inning, when they loaded the bases with one out but couldn't score.

"We were finding holes in the first couple of innings," Walker said. "And then we started hitting balls right at people. It's just a game of inches sometimes."

Fort Madison finished with an 11-7 record.

"This isn't the outcome we wanted," Walker said. "We've played better baseball than we showed tonight. We played a full season last year, a half-season this year, and I told them nobody gave them a chance to win 27 games in a year and a half. And we did that. We're going to learn from this, and stay hungry."

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL 7/7/2020

The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Bowker, Morawitz, Andrews, Miller, Lair and Cangas present. Council Member Rink was absent.

This meeting was held with Council, staff and some members of the public present but was also available electronically (pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8) due to social distancing issues because of COVID-19.

On motion, Council approved the agenda. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 6/16/2020; Payrolls of 6/19/2020 and 7/2/2020; Claims dated 7/1/2020, June Manual Claims, June Library Claims and June Financial Update; Five Day Beer Permit, Fort Madison Area Chamber of Commerce, effective 7/7/2020; and Liquor License Renewals: Quality Inn & Suites, effective 7/1/2020, Lost Duck Brewing Company, L.C., effective 7/15/2020, and JoeDees, effective 8/1/2020.

On motion, Council approved first reading of an ordinance amending Title 1, Chapters 6 and 13; Title 4, Chapter 8,

Title 7, Chapters 2 and 7, Title 8, Chapters 6 and 10, Title 9, Chapters 7, 8, 9, 10 and 13 of the Fort Madison City Code. On motion, Council approved the first reading of an ordinance amending Title 9, Traffic, Chapter 15, Golf Carts, ATVs and UTVs.

On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-35, approving and authorizing an Amendment to a Loan and Disbursement Agreement by and between the City of Fort Madison and the Iowa Finance Authority, and authorizing and providing for the reissuance of the Water Revenue Capital Loan Note, Series 2009D (Rate Reset). On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-36, granting property tax exemption for L & L Storage, Inc., for property at 1131 - 48th Street. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-37, ordering construction, setting public hearing and bid letting for P.I.P. 2020-03, GRHS-FMHS Community Health Foundation: Fort Madison High School to Rodeo Park Trail.

On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on Supplemental Agreement No. 1, with PSBA of Keokuk, Iowa, for staking and construction services for Phase 3 of FMCH Connector Trail. On motion, Council approved Change Order No. 2 for P.I.P. 2018-04, Reconstruction of Old Hwy. 61 - 2nd to 6th Street. On motion, Coun-

cil approved the Mayor's signature on a lease agreement with River Rocks, LLC, for the use of a portion of the marina building and attached shelter in Riverview Park. On motion, Council approved the reappointment of Melinda L. Blind, as City Clerk, term expiring 7/1/2022. On motion,

REVENUES	6/30/2020	EXPENDITURES	
General	\$44,754.01	General	\$53,124.63
Special Revenue	226,945.44	Special Revenue	7,445.04
Road Use	66,250.06	Road Use	77,628.73
Debt	1,064.01	Debt	500.00
Capital	19,065.46	Capital	142,081.41
Water	318,483.17	Water	56,499.37
Sewer	257,252.66	Sewer	38,441.53
Solid Waste/IWC	68,820.25	Solid Waste/IWC	8,067.21
SW Utility	19,072.56	SW Utility	782.89
	\$1,021,707.62		\$384,570.81
PAYROLL	7/2/2020	PAYROLL	6/19/2020
General	\$181,443.28	General	\$222,754.59
Marina	602.84	Marina	603.96
Old Fort	3,682.21	Old Fort	2,738.04
Road Use	27,064.14	Road Use	27,195.00
Tourism	1,322.39	Tourism	1,432.24
Water	28,980.15	Emp Vol Ded	6,610.12
Sewer	39,045.80	Water	29,085.96
Solid Waste	11,994.84	Sewer	38,590.66
Airport	312.77	Solid Waste	11,864.65
Storm Water	3,645.84	Airport	488.44
	\$298,094.26	Storm Water	3,658.56
			\$345,022.22

CLAIMS - JUNE 2020

3E ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIP, CIRCUIT BREAKER

Council approved the Mayor's appointment of Joshua Leyh to the Parks Board, term expiring 3/31/2020.

At 6:53 P.M., the meeting adjourned until July 21, 2020, at 5:30 P.M.

/s/ Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor
ATTEST: /s/ Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

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ABC FIRE EXTINGUISHER, ANNUAL INSPECTION-MARINA.....54.60
AHLERS & COONEY,

PC PROF FEE - URBAN RENEWAL.....61.00
ALLIANT ENERGY, ELECTRIC.....2,802.68
ALTORFER INC., MAGNET92.89
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICE, MASK/LUBRICANT SHEETS38.13
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVIC, UNIFORM1,033.79
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS, TRAFFIC CONES/POSTS2,536.43
BATES SANITATION & ASPHALT, PORTA-POTTIE RENTAL710.00
BROWN SUPPLY CO. INC., FRAME/LID/GASKETS/MANHOLE8,590.00
BURLINGTON MUNI WATER, BACTERIA SAMPLE102.00
JAMIE CARLE, TRAINING FUEL42.92
CENTURY LINK, PHONE61.25
ALBERT CRESSWELL, ROAD PATCH - BLUFF (MS).....5,500.00
CULLEN CONSTR. & EXCAVATING, MANHOLE INSTALLATION6,320.00
CURE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, MONTHLY AGREEMENT....3,141.25
DEPT. OF PUBLIC DEFENSE, HOTEL ROOM37.00
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT CO, GLASS BEAD147.50
DODD PRINTING, OFFICE SUPPLIES...979.83
DOUDS STONE, LLC, ROADSTONE....3,803.70
EBERT SUPPLY, PAPER PRODUCTS192.60
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TIONS, RADIO REPAIR653.77
FASTENAL COMPANY, CABLE TIES..... 115.41
JEFF FORBES, REFUND HANGER LEASE..480.00
FORT MADISON WATER DEPT, WATER.....33.21
GALL'S, AN ARAMARK COMPANY, HOLSTER137.99
GARNER OIL INC., FUEL170.87
GRAY QUARRIES, INC, STABILIZED BASE1,107.54
GREAT RIVER REGIONAL WASTE, INTEGRATED WASTE4,785.23
BRIAN S GREEN, CLOTHIN/WINTER WEAR..... 117.70
GREENWOOD CLEANING SYSTEM, TRASH BAGS.....470.20
HACH CHEMICAL CO., NITRATE4,632.99
HELLIGE LAWN CARE, TRIMMING HEADSTONES2,550.00
HEUSS PRINTING, INC, ADVERTISING265.50
HOENIG TREE SERVICE INC, TREE REMOVAL1,200.00
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 KELSEY HUGG, TRAINING EXPENSES.....58.81
 HUMBURD'S AUTO SERVICE, TIRES424.98
 IDEAL READY MIX CO, CONCRETE15,759.60
 IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TERMINAL BILLING.....300.00
 IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY,

VOGELGESANG POLO SHIRTS64.00
 IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES, MEMBERSHIP 7/20-6/214,689.00
 IOWA MUNICIPAL WORKERS, COMP INSTALLMENT 111,533.00
 IOWA ONE CALL, LOCATES.....145.10
 J.P. COOKE COMPANY, DOG TAGS (100-20 & 700-21)166.50

JETCO INC., CONTROL PANEL11,713.00
 KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE, PARTS/RENTAL/ SHIPPING1,810.50
 KLINGNER & ASSOCIATES, PC, PROF FEE - FM DEPOT3,277.75
 MIGUEL LANDEROS, NUISANCE4,741.95
 LIBERTY UTILITIES, HEAT224.62
 LYNCH DALLAS P.C., PROF FEES4,152.00
 MADISON TURF & TIMBER, REPAIR STARTER1,242.21
 MCFARLAND-SWAN OFFICE, CAN LINERS115.47
 MCMASTER CARR SUPPLY C, TUBE FITTINGS75.77
 MENARD - WEST BURLINGT, WOOD/REFRIGERATOR.....322.78
 MENKE PROFESSIONAL AUT, PARTS28.61
 MES-MUNICIPAL EMERGENC, ADAPTER/HOSE474.99
 MID AMERICAN ENERGY CO, HEAT.....801.52
 MIDLAND SCIENTIFIC INC, TESTING SUPPLIES89.28
 MOHRFELD ELECTRIC, CONTROL PANEL @ BOOSTER314.15
 MUNICIPAL SUPPLY COMPANY, TEE'S/ WRENCH261.16
 NSI SOLUTIONS INC., CONCENTRATE SNIPS90.00

O'REILLY AUTO PARTS, PARTS/SUPPLIES378.44
 PATRIOT DIAMOND, INC., CONCRETE BLADE/BLADE..1,060.00
 PITNEY BOWES, RED INK.....236.00
 PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCT - TITAN, DOZER TRACKER ADJUSTMENT490.77
 QUARRY CREEK ELK AND BISON, CLOTHING ALLOW - SLATER426.57
 QUILL CORPORATION, OFFICE SUPPLIES477.25
 RAINBO OIL COMPANY, MULTIFAK265.18
 RATHBUN REG'L WATER ASSC, WATER28.09
 RHINO INDUSTRIES, INC., CHEMICALS1,400.00
 SE IA REGIONAL PLANNING COMM, SEIBUS - APRIL-JUNE...2,125.00
 SEITHER & CHERRY CO., FORM & POUR CURB/GUTTER16,645.20
 SELECTIVE INS. CO, COVERAGE @ 1002 RIVERVIEW6,533.00
 SHERWIN-WILLIAMS, TAPE/PAIL143.83
 SHOTTENKIRK SUPERSTORE, OIL CHANGE/ REPAIRS1,185.80
 TESTAMERICA INC., WEEKLY TESTING409.50
 THACHER TREE CARE, TREE REMOVAL..650.00
 TIM'S REPAIR SHOP, BLADES/FUEL75.72
 TRANS-IOWA EQUIPMENT, WIRE/PARTS4,204.48
 TRUCK REPAIR INC., REPAIR WORK939.34

TRUELINE FIRE & SAFETY, SAFETY SHIRTS701.50
 TURBO WASH INC., WASH TOKENS ...500.00
 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, MONTHLY SUPPORT.....252.50
 UPS, SHIPPING28.43
 US AUTOFORCE, TIRES480.72
 U.S. CELLULAR, PHONES1,904.68
 USA BLUE BOOK, HYDRANT MARKER1,877.76
 DAVE VRADENBURG, REPAIR FLOOR...756.77
 WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED, TESTING SUPPLIES3,100.03
 BRIAN WIEGAND, SAFETY BOOTS 19/20203.29
 TOTAL299,720.50
 GENERAL33,526.12
 SPECIAL REVENUES4,162.12
 ROAD USE.....61,776.63
 CAPITAL PROJECTS WATER.....116,881.55
 WASTEWATER51,405.31
 SOLID WASTE ..23,450.90
 AIRPORT.....698.04
 STORM WATER...782.89
 TOTAL299,720.50

MANUALS - JUNE 2020
 ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING, PRINTER LEASE865.56
 ALLIANT ENERGY, ELECTRIC.....34,145.86
 HY-VEE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, PAPER PRODUCTS162.51
 IOWA BRIDGE & CULTIVERT, PAY EST #1 - AMTRAK PLATFORM25,220.00
 LEE COUNTY I.T. DEPARTMENT, 2020

PICTOMETRY PROJECT PYMT#2.....6,469.00
 MENKE PROFESSIONAL AUTO PA, TAPE ...106.86
 POSTMASTER, FORT MADISON, POSTAGE FOR JUNE BILLS1,427.26
 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, MONTHLY SOFTWARE FEE252.50
 UMB BANK, N.A., TRUST FEE.....750.00
 VERIZON WIRELESS, COMPUTER HOTSPOTS331.71
 WEX BANK, FUEL USAGE7,614.73
 YOUR HEAT AND AIR GUY LLC, INSTALLED AC UNIT3,025.00
 TOTAL80,370.99
 GENERAL17,599.70
 SPECIAL REVENUES16,456.47
 CAPITAL PROJECTS WATER5,094.06
 WASTEWATER14,990.63
 SOLID WASTE ..1,030.27
 TOTAL80,370.99

LIBRARY CLAIMS 6/18/2020

AMAZON.COM, SHELF MATERIAL879.73
 BAKER & TAYLOR, SHELF MATERIAL1,045.94
 BRODART COMPANY, SECURITY STRIPS159.80
 CENGAGE LEARNING, SHELF MATERIAL247.55
 DEMCO, BOOK COVERS293.24
 IOWA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE, SUMMER MEMBERSHIP250.00
 J&S ELECTRONIC BUSINESS, BACKUP24.99
 KANOPY, INC., VIDEOS24.00
 KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE, CLOROX WIPES32.90
 MEDIACOM, PHONE/ INTERNET.....258.99
 MIDAMERICAN ENERGY, HEAT.....24.91
 QUILL CORPORATION, PAPER PRODUCTS298.88
 RECORDED BOOKS INC., SHELF MATERIAL33.29
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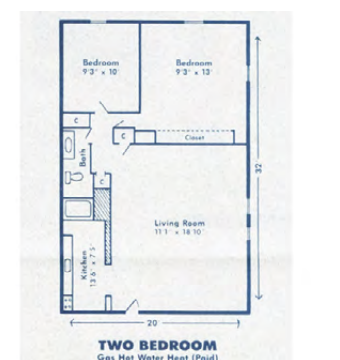
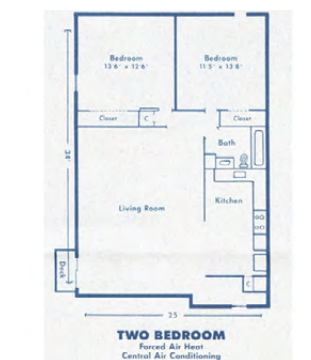


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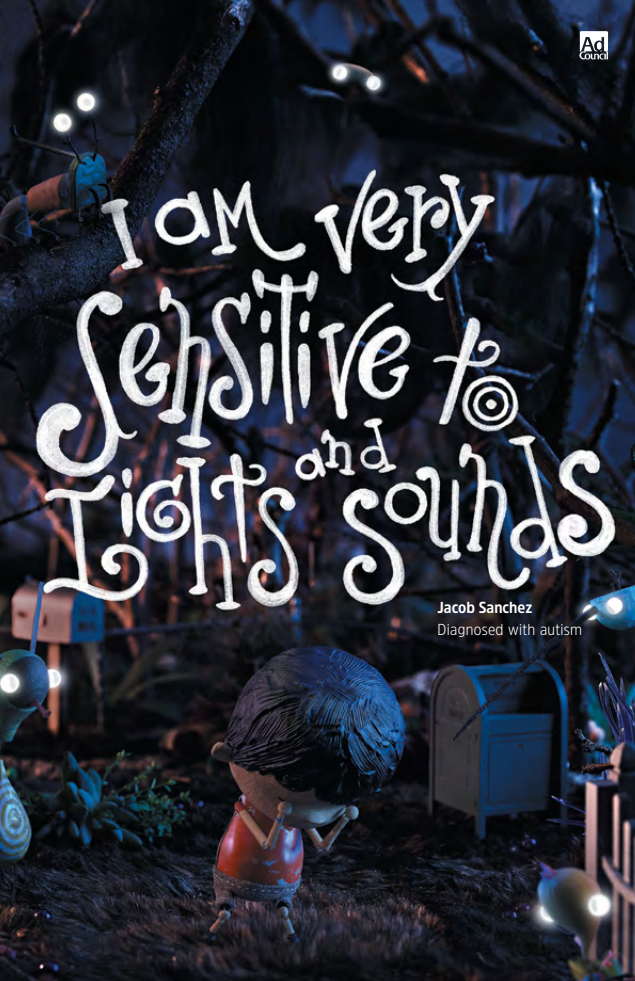


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From the Front/Lee County News

Senior centers to remain closed

OFFICES - Continued from Page 1

Lee County Clerk of Court, Kim Londrie said she doesn't believe the DOT appointment status is mandatory.

"People should be able to walk in, get their tags, go to Records office and do business and then walk across the aisle in North Lee County," Londrie said.

"I think it should be open to the public, like it is across most of the state and at least in our own area."

Londrie told the board she'd seen Lee County Department heads out and about at county businesses not wearing a mask.

"I see department heads going into stores, getting ice cream, and they don't have masks on," she said. "We need to work for the public. Judges have control over courtrooms, county has control over the buildings. The county bought 3,000 plus masks, We need to be passing those out."

Lee County Auditor Denise Fraise said the masks weren't purchased for the public, but for employees to use. Londrie said that's a lot of masks for just county employees, and Fraise said some departments like county roads have to change masks frequently.

Since closing the offices to the public, plexiglass partitions have been installed throughout the office building. North and South Lee County Court facilities, which are under the jurisdiction of the state supreme court, are still functioning as they have through the pandemic with stepped up safety guidelines and masks.

Lee County Recorder Nancy Booten said she wears a mask when out in public but sees people in the offices that are sneezing and coughing and she was in favor of an ordinance requiring all staff and customers to wear masks.

The board opted to not do an ordinance that would require readings, but a resolution at the direction of the

counties retained attorneys.

Lee County Attorney Ross Braden said he didn't think an ordinance was necessary, but a resolution could carry the same weight.

"A resolution would be different than an ordinance, but I think that's reasonable to put the public on notice," Braden said.

Fraise said the any mandate regarding facemasks could set the county up for a legal challenge from Governor Reynolds office. Muscatine just passed an ordinance requiring masks in public, and Fraise said they are currently being challenged by the state.

The county has also hired three temporary security officials for the county's three office buildings and court houses to enforce safety measures within the buildings.

"What happens when they come in without a mask," asked Supervisor Matt Pflug.

Londrie said they've only had one person who didn't want to wear a mask for a court proceeding. Staff told them that person to put on a mask or security would be called, and the individual put on the mask.

The two senior centers, The Heritage Center in Keokuk and Newberry Center in Fort Madison, will be kept closed. Fraise said Milestones Area Agency On Aging indicated it would be a while before they begin preparing meals again.

In other action, the board:

- approved, 5-0, a modification of the county's five-year secondary roads program to include erosion control work on Valley Road that is subsidized with environmental work grants. The work has a price tag of \$369,000.

- approved, 5-0, a resolution supporting the Lee County Board of Health position statement encouraging cancellation of all large public events.

Charitable Fund props up 17 county agencies

GRANTS - Continued from Page 4

Montrose Riverfront, Inc.: Bringing Them In
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The Keokuk Salvation Army: Pathway of Hope Project

Three Rivers Conservation Foundation: Pollmiller Park Playground Project

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Young House Family Services : Substance Abuse & Mental Health Therapy.

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County resolution isn't binding on any group going forward

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comes to the rodeo. That is up to the rodeo committee. It's just saying we support the request that they not have it."

Tri-State Rodeo Chairman Tony Johnson has declined to comment on the position statement and the board resolution.

Lee County Health Department Administrator Michele Ross spoke to the supervisors Tuesday and thanked them for their support.

"COVID-19 is very a serous public health crisis. I think we could all say it has impacted all or our lives in one way or another," she said.

"It's a very contagious virus and it can lead to a very serious illness as we've seen in our own communities and across the United States. The risk for community spread increases when you have large groups of people gathering. Those risks are even greater when large gatherings of people occur and attendees come from outside our local area."

Ross said she encouraged all event organizers and the public in general to review state public health and Centers for Disease Control proclamation requirements, including Iowa Code 135.144, section 3 under "Mass Gatherings".

"There are some requirements there for insuring social distancing and other public health measures," she said.

Fedler said the Board of Health's position is very serious for county residents.

"It's a very serious issue for everybody. There job is to watch our for the health needs of Lee County and the Board of Supervisors is also responsible for doing what we think is best for the citizens of Lee County," he said. "There will be people who agree and people who disagree."

But Fedler said the resolution is not binding upon anyone.

"This has no authority when it comes to the Rodeo. This doesn't mean there won't be a Rodeo, it just means we as a board, if this passes, are supporting the Lee County Health Department's position."

Supervisor Rich Harlow asked if supporting the Board of Health's statement, meant he thought we shouldn't have a rodeo.

"That's basically what the health department has recommended," Fedler said.

"They're afraid that we don't know where these people are coming from and that will make it a higher risk from someone coming in that may have the virus."

The Rodeo is scheduled to kick off this year Sept. 9 and runs through the 12th.

Lee County has had 63 positive coronavirus tests with seven of those coming in the past seven days and five of those were over the weekend. The state currently has a 9.3% positive test rating. The state has 39,474 people who've tested positive out of 423,862 total tests taken. One in seven Iowans has been tested for the coronavirus.

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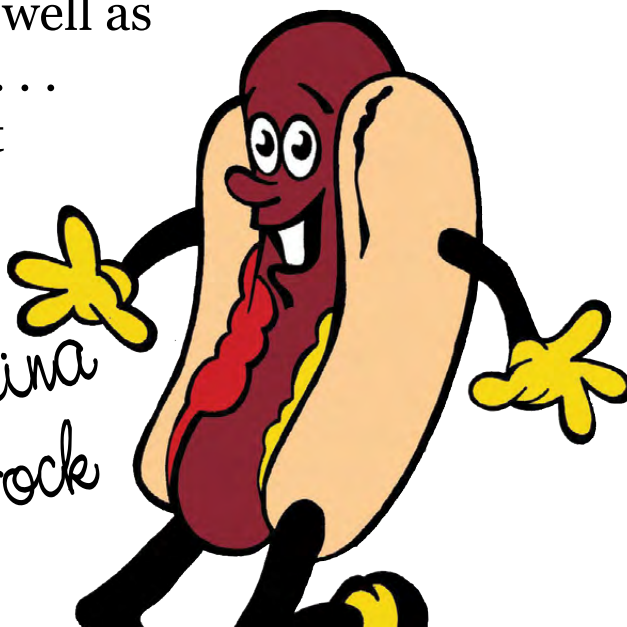
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