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City to rebid Hwy. 61 reconstruction

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – A \$3.3 million resurfacing of old Hwy. 61 through Fort Madison took another step back on Tuesday.

With a 3-2 vote at Tuesday's regular Fort Madison City Council meeting, the council defeated a measure that would have approved the project at a cost of \$3.326 million.

Despite the majority of the councilman present

voting in favor of moving forward with the project, a resolution requires a majority vote of the entire council. With councilman Matt Mohrfeld and Rusty Andrews absent, the three votes in favor of moving forward with the project wasn't enough to pass it.

So with the issue not passing, the city now finds itself in a position to rebid the project.

But Andrew Marsh, vice president of HR Green, the firm contracted by the city to design and implement the project, said rebidding could possibly result in a more competitive bid for the city. He said summer

bidding is typically a bad time because most firms are full into their work for the year, and squeezing in a project of that nature typically results in increased costs.

He said the biggest feedback he's received from Pat Jones, of Jones Contracting, who was the lone bidder on the project, was that there were a lot of liquidated damages built into the contract, because the work could be pushed passed contracted deadlines due to

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Maddox Chapman gets a bit roughed up during the Mutton Bustin' competition Monday afternoon at the Lil' Spurs Rodeo. Maddox got a full 6-second run before being dumped by the lamb in front of the buckin' shoots on the Tri-State Rodeo grounds. See page 3 for more photos.

Sheaffer group plans museum grand re-opening

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – The newly formed Board of Directors of the Sheaffer Pen Museum are happy to announce the re-opening of its exhibits in the original location at 627 Avenue G.

The museum closed last year due to concerns about the uncertain fate of the company archives which had been on loan from A.T. Cross, the owner of Sheaffer. The vast collection consists of a century's worth of information, history and products produced by the company which was founded in Fort Madison by a

local jeweler, Walter A. Sheaffer in 1913.

"We were thrilled that the Cross company agreed to donate virtually all of the company archives to the museum, allowing us to keep this part of Fort Madison's rich history in our town indefinitely. Once it was determined that the collection would stay put, we were able to secure funding through grants and other financial pledges, making the re-opening possible," said Tim Gobble, Executive Director, Fort Madison Partners and newly elected Sheaffer Pen Museum Board President.

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EMPTY NEST

By Curt Swarm



Finches, a gator, and birthday cake

The finches flew before us, hundreds of them, doing their "wave" flight pattern, their gold and black colors flashing, like fireflies in the day, leading us along their primrose path to glory. We had never seen so many gold finches (Iowa's State Bird). It had to be the habitat: tree lined river on one side of the road, fields of hay, pasture, and row crops on the other—everything the finches need—food, water and shelter in the peaceful river valley.

It was Ginnie's birthday—she's 68. We loaded her Gator (I gave it to her for a wedding present—ha, ha) onto the trailer, and towed it from Mt. Pleasant to Farmington in Van Buren County. From there we parked on the Des Moines River Road (Eagle Drive) for a scenic ride from Farmington, to Bonaparte, to Bentonsport and back.

I parked on the side of the road and unloaded the Gator. A man pulled up beside us in his car and asked if we were broke down. We told him no, that we were just out for a drive in Ginnie's Gator. He advised us that we should probably not leave the truck and trailer on the side of the road, and told us we could park on his property. That was right nice of him. People are so friendly in Van Buren County.

I even let Ginnie drive, after all, it is her Gator. We had a little lunch with us and stopped at a hilltop ceme-

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For the Record/Weather

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

08/30/19 – 8:58 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2500 block of Avenue D.
 08/30/19 – 11:33 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1200 block of 38th Street.
 08/30/19 – 12:00 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1200 block of 38th Street.
 08/30/19 – 12:15 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 32nd Street and Avenue K.
 08/30/19 – 12:52 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Joshua Charles Corcoran, 38, of Fort Madison the 1400 block of Avenue G, on charges of disorderly conduct and trespassing.

08/30/19 – 3:24 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run at the intersection of 32nd Street and Avenue K.
 08/30/19 – 3:44 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 700 block of 7th Street.
 08/30/19 – 9:25 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a shoplifter in the 2600 block of Avenue L.
 08/31/19 – 8:49 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1000 block of Avenue D.
 08/31/19 – 5:50 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Christina Marie Hernandez, 35, of Fort Madison at the police station on a warrant service. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 08/31/19 – 11:24 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1600

block of Avenue M.
 09/01/19 – 4:45 a.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Brice Evan Turner, 30, of Fort Madison in the 2300 block of Avenue H, on a charge of public intoxication. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 09/01/19 – 10:57 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 3700 block of Avenue L.
 09/01/19 – 11:56 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the Fort Madison Area.
 09/02/19 – 6:49 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 2300 block of Avenue H.
 09/02/19 – 8:47 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen bicycle in the 700 block of Avenue F.
 09/02/19 – 12:04 a.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Shelly Stacy, 39, of Fort Madison, in the 2700 block of Avenue L, on a charge of driving while suspended. She was released upon citation.

09/03/19 – 12:24 a.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Joshua Adam Bowen, 39, of Wever, in the 1500 block of Avenue H. on a warrant for contempt of court. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

08/29/19 – 1:36 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident on Avenue D in West Point, where according to the report a vehicle driven by David Francis Carvajal, 53, of Fort Madison struck the back end of a vehicle driven by Kalvyn Christopher Bentler, 26, of Salem, who was facing east and stopped waiting making a left turn. Carvajal was cited for failure to maintain control. No injuries were reported at the scene.
 08/30/19 – 8:35 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Stephanie Rae Marshall, 31, of Burlington at the sheriff's office on a warrant for contempt of court. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 08/30/19 – 8:35 a.m. – Lee

County Sheriff's deputies arrested Stephanie Rae Marshall, 31, of Burlington, at the sheriff's office, on a warrant for contempt of court. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 08/30/19 – 2:06 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Kashon Allen-Shyquill Tasco, 23, of Keokuk, no location provided on a warrant for violation of probation.
 08/30/19 – 7:15 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Adam James Huss, 30, of Fort Madison, in the 6000 block of Reve Court in Fort Madison on a charge of trespassing. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released after paying a fine.
 08/30/19 – 11:37 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Megan Leigh French, 20, of Burlington, at Wever Junction on a warrant for contempt of court. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on her own recognizance.
 09/01/19 – 4:34 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Justin Robert Bowden, at the

intersection of Hwy. 61 and Hwy 218, on a charge of being a fugitive from justice and possession of a controlled substance. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 09/02/19 – 8:51 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Ryan Matthew Banes, 19, of Keokuk, at the intersection of North 17th Street and High Street in Keokuk, on a warrant for domestic assault with bodily injury. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

08/30/19 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to four medical calls.
 08/31/19 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls.
 09/01/19 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to six medical calls and a garage fire.
 09/02/19 – Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical calls.

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FRI 06 Sep Few Clouds
 High – 81.1° F | Low – 59° F

SAT 07 Sep Light Rain
 High – 76.5° F | Low – 63.8° F

SUN 08 Sep Clear Skies
 High – 61.1° F | Low – 57.6° F

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Plans underway to freshen up exhibits, videos, and website

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“Shortly thereafter, a group of volunteers went to work developing ideas to organize the opening, which is happening now,” Gobble added. A Grand Re-opening event is planned in conjunction with Fort Madison’s popular Rodeo Weekend at 9:00 AM Friday, September 6.

Plans are underway for both new and refreshed exhibits, as well as never before seen video footage from the company archives. A digital communications and social media strategy will be launched in the coming weeks to create awareness about the museum’s re-opening and the history of the pen industry contained within it.

The museum’s regular hours are 10:00 – 2:00 Monday, Wednesday and Friday or by appointment for larger groups.

Anyone interested in volunteering to support this important community effort is encouraged to contact the museum at (319) 372-1674 or SheafferPenMuseum@gmail.com or via the website, sheafferpenmuseum.org. Former Sheaffer employees that have a working knowledge of the pens themselves, or how they were assembled, are highly encouraged to reach out.

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Lil' Spurs Rodeo/Lottery Numbers

2019 Miss Iowa Rodeo Rachael Ostrem, of Radcliffe, Iowa, gives a helping hand to Callie Sage, after Sage was dropped off a lamb in the Mutton Bustin' contest Monday afternoon at the C.E. "Eddie" Richards Arena on the Tri-State Rodeo grounds. Below, Maddox Chapman holds on tight as his mutton changes direction in front of the rodeo clowns.



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



At top left, Schuyler Hebb has good form in a qualifying ride in the calf riding at the Lil' Spurs Rodeo Monday afternoon in Fort Madison.

At left, trickrider Becca Watson gets geared up to ride standing in the saddle with Old Glory waving high above her as she circled the arena.



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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

KIM SAWYER

Kim Sawyer, 60, of Kahoka died, Friday, August 30, 2019 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO.



SAWYER

He was born November 26, 1958 in Keokuk, the son of Gerald E. and Judith Ann Roller Sawyer. Kim graduated from Clark County R-1 High School with the Class of 1976. He graduated from the Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa, IA.

He had been employed as the Computer IT Tech at Illinois State University in Bloomington, IL until his retirement.

He enjoyed listening to classic rock music, watching movies and riding motorcycles. He was an avid hot wheels collector and has been collecting hot wheels all his life. He always had his list with him on a hunt for more. Kim was a wonderful son, uncle and cousin and loved spending time with his family.

He is survived by his parents, Gerald and Judy Sawyer of Kahoka, four legged companion, Comet, his nephew, Dylan Mikel Wright of Peoria, his niece, Jade Ann Wright of Kahoka, aunts and uncles, Virginia Johnson, Darlean Mohr, Lanora Davis, Betty Sawyer, Timothy and Gerry Roller, Thomas and Sally Roller, Nancy and Jack Edlen, Gloria and Larry Kiger, Jacquilyn Boatman, Kelly and Darrell Varnold, Tina Roller and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Noble and Vivian Roller and Stella and Leslie Sawyer, sister, Kari Wright, cousins, Joe Kephart, Shawn Wright and Barbara "Bobbi" Edlen Blackburn, aunts and uncles, David and Jackie Kephart, Tony Roller, Susan and Keith Redding, Glenn Mohr, Jim Boatman, Richard Roller, Kenneth Roller, Rex and Joann Roller, Dean Sawyer, Bobby Sawyer and Delbert Weller, Judy Sawyer Monych, Deloris Shannon and Vera and John McGirl.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 6 at the Bible Baptist Church in Kahoka with Pastor Glen Yoder and Pastor Tim Roller officiating. Burial will be in the Kahoka Cemetery.

Visitation will be held 1 - 2 p.m. Friday at the church with the family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to the Clark County Health Dept. in Kahoka.

On-line condolences may be made to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

OBITUARIES

FATHER MARK P. SPRING

Fr. Mark P. Spring, 71, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 6:28 p.m. on Sunday, September 1, 2019 at Fort Madison Community Hospital. He was born on November 27, 1947 in Kiel, Germany, the son of Lawrence H. & Roberta F. Guthrie Spring.



SPRING

He resided at an orphanage in Hamburg, Germany for a period of time. He graduated from Fort Madison High School and served in the U.S. Air Force from 1969 to 1973. He then graduated from St. Ambrose College in Davenport, IA with degrees in sociology & philosophy and completed his theology studies at Sacred Heart School of Theology in Hales Corners, WI.

On August 29, 1980, he was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Gerald O'Keefe at Sacred Heart Church in Fort Madison. Fr. Spring served as a temporary administrator at St. Joseph Parish in Montrose in 1980 and then served as an associate pastor at St. James Parish in Washington from 1980-1981. He served as administrator at St. Mary Magdalen Parish in Bloomfield and St. Aloysius Parish in Eldon from 1981-1984 before serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Air Force from 1984-1997. He returned to parish ministry as parochial vicar, then administrator at St. Mary Parish in Muscatine from 1997-1998 and served as pastor at St. Mary Parish in Riverside while also assisting with needs in the Iowa City Deanery from 1998-1999. He served as pastor at St. Anthony Parish in Knoxville, IA and Sacred Heart Parish in Melcher from 1999-2007. He served as chaplain at Iowa State Penitentiary in Fort Madison from 2007-2009 and as parochial vicar at Holy Family Parish in Fort Madison & St. Joseph Parish in Montrose since 2009.

Fr. Spring has been involved in Boy Scouts for years and received the Eagle Scout Award in September of 1965, as a member of Troop 7, at that time chartered to Sacred Heart Church in Fort Madison, IA. He also earned the Catholic Church's Ad Altare Dei Award for the Boy Scouts. He is a member of the honor camping organization, Tribe of the Silver Tomahawk, holding the paint station of Keeper of the Wampum.

In the fall of 2013, Father Spring completed the Wood Badge Training Course, which provides the highest level of training for adult scouters. Fr. Spring received the Silver Beaver Award by the Mississippi Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America on February 8, 2014 in Quincy, IL. The Silver Beaver Award is the highest award that can be awarded by a Boy Scout Council. He received the St. George Award in 2015. This award is presented to adults active in supporting and fostering the growth and development of Catholic youths under the auspices of the Boy Scouts of America and the Catholic Church. St. George is the patron saint of Boy Scouts.

Fr. Spring is survived by his sister, Linda (Craig) Tomfeld of Fort Madison, IA and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at Sacred Heart Church in Fort Madison. A rosary will be recited at 4:10 p.m. and a wake service will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church during the visitation. The Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 5, 2019 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church in Fort Madison with Bishop Thomas Zinkula officiating. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Fort Madison. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established for Boy Scouts of America for Camp Eastman or Holy Family Parish. Online condolences to Fr. Spring's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com. King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family with the arrangements.

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Opinion/Classifieds

Outdoor splendor turned to indoor fellowship

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tery outside of Bentonsport, or Vernon, if you will. The grave stones date back to the Civil War, and we were filled with pathos as we read names, dates and info, envisioning the human drama on display before us. Our sandwiches were warmed from the bed of the Gator, which is right over the engine—what a luxury: warm food, scenic view, peaceful feeling.

On the way home, we saw wild turkeys, and turkey vultures. It must have been bird day: gold finches, turkeys, turkey vultures, all along Eagle Drive. No, we did not see eagles. That will be for our winter trip.

We stopped at the Bridge Cafe in Farmington for coffee and a second lunch—ha! We tried something new from their appetizer menu—fried avocado. Hmm. Double lunch day!

We made it home in time for the Old Thresher's parade in Mt. Pleasant. The high school marching band played, people threw candy, and the line of tractors—some small, some large, some old, some new, some exotic—had to have been two miles long.

In the evening we helped out with the spaghetti dinner at the Presbyterian Church. Ginnie worked in the dining area and I at the drive-up door. Close to 700 people had

their fill of spaghetti, salad, Italian bread, and home made pie. Mmm, mmm! Ginnie made two of the pies, one from the apples from our own McIntosh tree. McIntosh is the national apple of Canada, you know. The spaghetti dinner was like one big party, and it was nice seeing so many people we knew and meeting new people. Everyone was in a good mood with great August weather, delicious food, and all of us looking forward to Old Thresher's festivities.

I surprised Ginnie with a full sheet birthday cake, topped with an ATV—you go Girl! The cake was half strawberry and half chocolate. Nothing beats pie plus birthday cake! There were actually three people with birthdays, and the fellowship hall rang with the birthday song.

At this point you might think Ginnie's birthday was all about food. You're right! We had no problem falling asleep that night: Gator ride in the fresh air, parade, full belly. Our heads were filled with happy images of apples, finches and tractors. Ginnie had to admit, 68 ain't so bad. In fact, 68 is, as Tony the Tiger says, grrreat!

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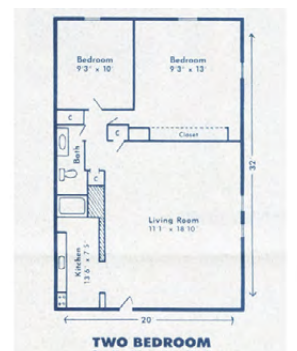
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City hopes to save by rebidding project

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several factors including the state historical society observing the work due to the location of the road, and weather.

Liquidated damages are potential costs to the contractor as a penalty for going past the contracted deadlines.

"There are quite a bit of liquidated damages here and there's a potential savings of about \$100,000 if we rebid at a more favorable time," Marsh said.

He also pointed to about five other potential savings that could have been worked out had the contract been approved. Those included railroad flagging that needs to be done due to the proximity of the rail lines south of the work; a \$75,000 Welcome sign that could be scaled back; construction fencing along the corridor at about \$30,000; decorative lighting; and changing from sodding to seeding for grass replacement.

Marsh said those savings could total about \$230,000 which would bring the project to about \$3.1 million.

City Councilman Chris Greenwald asked City Public Works Director Larry Driscoll if asphalt could be substituted at this point in the process to cut savings.

Driscoll said there was probably a 0% chance the project would be supported by the state at this point changing to asphalt. Driscoll also said Jones, who's done many projects for the city, "always beats asphalt" on his price for concrete.

Jones, who was at the meeting, said he was willing to negotiate with the city, but reminded the council that the last engineer to present at a council meeting, Tim Cutsforth, said the project estimate from HR Green was probably 10% low considering the time that has passed since the project was originally designed. The original bid was \$2.76 million to reconstruction the stretch of the highway from 2nd to 6th Street.

But Jones said he couldn't tell the city what would happen if the project was to be rebid.

City Councilman Bob Morawitz said he was voting in favor of moving forward with the project, because there was no guarantee rebidding would result in lower costs. Councilman Mark Lair also voted in favor of the measure.

"City residents are ready to get that project done, they're tired of waiting on it," he said.

In an unrelated issue, the council voted to begin efforts to acquire property currently owned by the county where the former and dilapidated Town and Country Mobile Home Park is located on 15th Street.

The city has requested a tax abatement on the property and any dwellings on it from the county, and then intends to sell the property to Michael Mohrfeld, owner of Mohrfeld Electric, for \$1. Mohrfeld will then pull all the old trailers off the lot, restore the property and plans to use it for storage of Mohrfeld equipment. Mohrfeld has estimated the cost of that clean up to be between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

The Lee County Supervisors approved the tax abatements on the property at its meeting Tuesday morning.

In other action, the council:

- approved 5-0 the 2018-19 fiscal year Street Finance Report.
- approved 5-0, a \$14,700 bid to replace the roof on the Street Department building in the 2200 block of Avenue M.

Fort Madison girls get two wins at Bondurant tourney

*Lady Hounds start
conference action
Tuesday at Fairfield*

BY PCC STAFF

BONDURANT – The Fort Madison Lady Hounds dropped three games in pool play and were sent to the consolation bracket where they rebounded to take two of three to end the day.

"It was a good tournament for our players to see the level of competition around the state," head coach Kent Bailey said. "We found we can compete and have to work to finish to the end. We had positive contributions from each player and will continue to grow."

In morning pool play, the Bloodhounds lost to Woodward Granger 14-21, 18-21, North Polk 17-21, 21-18, 14-16 and then to host Bondurant-Farrar 21-19, 16-21, 12-15.

In consolation play, Fort Madison fell to Des Moines Roosevelt 8-21, 16-21 before winning their final two matches over Boone 14-21, 21-9, 15-11 and then Burlington Notre Dame 21-18, 21-18.

Senior Jillian Wiseman led the Lady Hounds at the net going 67-76 attacking with 34 kills and seven blocks. Reyna Lampe and Kailyn Guzman were also active at the net, with Lampe going 35-50 in attacks with 13 kills. Guzman was a bit more efficient with 26-38 hitting and 13 kills. Lampe was also 35-38 serving with six aces.

Junior Lauren Bailey led all FM girls in assists with 56. She was also 36-39 serving with five aces and pulled out 30 digs in the six games. Senior Gracie Pumphrey was 36-43 serving with six aces on the day.

Fort Madison is now 2-4 on the year and travels to 13th-ranked Fairfield tonight in a freshman/junior varsity/varsity matchup starting at 5:45 p.m.