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## City moves forward with downtown projects

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Agreements continue to be processed to move the plans forward to finally begin renovations of three historic buildings in Fort Madison's Main Street district.

During next week's Fort Madison City Council meeting, which will be held on Monday rather than Tuesday, the city council will vote, and likely pass, three resolutions that terminate existing agreements with Franz

Community Investors of Cedar Rapids, who backed out on the work, taking with them a portion of the \$3 million that was earmarked for the projects.

Now, Barker Financial Group of Iowa City has stepped to the plate to finish the work on the Cattermole Library and the old Lee County Bank building.

The Sears building was also in the original plans, but what improvements will be made to that building are still undecided.

The city will function as the funding pass-through for the project, but the Southeast Iowa Regional Planning

Commission will administer the work for the city.

City Administrator David Varley said Friday that the agreements are a formality, but legally extracts the city from any pending agreements between the city and the Franz group.

"This is the legal way to go about ending those agreements," Varley said. "There was a longer process but we prepared these agreements and the Franz group and the Barkers have signed them along with the city and now we can move forward."

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## Family Fun Day helps rainy Saturday

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - It was a rainy day and, in some cases, a very rainy day, which made people look inside for something to do on Saturday.

The Fort Madison Public Library, in conjunction with the Lee County Leadership Academy, had just the idea for residents Saturday morning. The Friends and Family Fun Day entertained area children and parents with sessions at the library on genealogy, using the library's e-book system, and games.

Library director Sara Clendineng said the project came about as part of a request for proposals she saw that had been put out by the leadership group.



"They had put a request for proposals for non-profit projects that they could help with," Clendineng said. "We thought this would be a good chance to show, not only what we have for children in the commu-

nity, but also for adults. People tend to think of the library programs for kids, but we also have a lot here for adults, too." She said the e-book program is popular for adults, as is the genealogy software on hand, and

Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC  
Above, Eric Stein and mom Angie, play checkers on a mat as part of the Friends and Family Fun Day at the Fort Madison Public Library. At left, Pat Morrison punches cards for Gabe Raldiris and Anthony Rettig, center.

this was a good chance for people to see how those programs work.

The children that attended were given a punch card to go through all the six sections in the

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## FMHS welcomes new head coaches

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Well, we could go "he's baaaack" or use the tired "third time's a charm" adage, but maybe it's just best to say that Fort Madison has found itself a pretty qualified new head volleyball coach for next year.

Kent Bailey who had stints as FMHS's head volleyball coach in the late 90s and early 2000s was officially introduced by FMHS Athletic Director Andy Mitchell as the new varsity volleyball coach Friday afternoon as part of a meet-and-greet with Bailey and new head football coach Tony Shiffman.

Members of the media, the school, and the community turned out to shake hands with some pretty solid implants in the Fort Madison Athletic Department.

Bailey is no stranger to anyone in the district, or in this part of the state, in girls athletics. He can typically be found with a decanter of coffee going in one direction or another lending support and guidance in girls softball, track, volleyball, and basketball.

Kent, and his wife Wendy, have brought three girls through the FMHS halls during the past decade and have another at the junior high level. And when he's not coaching something within the district, Bailey's helping coordinate and support traveling teams in most of the aforementioned sports.



BAILEY



SHIFFMAN

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### For the Record

#### Fort Madison Police Department Report

04/27/17 - 2:40 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1400 block of Avenue E.  
04/27/17 - 9:20 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Healthier Lee Weakley, 31, of Fort Madison, in the 800 block of Avenue E, on a charge of assault. She was released with a court date.  
04/27/17 - 9:51 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 700 block of Avenue F.  
04/27/17 - 7:18 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 400 block of Vica Lane.  
04/27/17 - 7:46 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Macy Kaey Helling, 23, of Fort Madison in the 800 block of Avenue D on a charge of

driving while suspended. She was released with a court date.  
04/28/17 - 3:22 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 100 block of 24th Street.  
04/28/17 - 4:07 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1700 block of 39th Street.

#### Lee County Sheriff's Department Report

04/27/17 - 3 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on Hwy 61 northbound. A vehicle driven by Brian Dale Hutson, 35 of Keokuk lost control and entered the northbound ditch several times according to reports. He was transported to FMCH for evaluation and was charged with OWI 1st offense.  
04/27/17 - 12:56 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Terrance Antonie Parks,

27 of Burlington, in Coralville on a warrant for violation of probation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.  
04/27/17 - 3:24 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Cody Allen Cheely, 23, of Fort Madison, at the courthouse in Fort Madison on judgement entry. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

#### Fort Madison Fire Department Report

04/25/17 - Fort Madison responded to five medical calls and one false alarm.  
04/26/17 - Fort Madison responded to three medical and one illegal burn, and two lift assists.  
04/27/17 - Fort Madison responded to one medical call and one burn complaint. The individuals listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

## Leadership group, library building Friends program

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library and get the cards punched. After going through all the sections, the cards were entered into a drawing for a Kindle reader.

The sessions included games, craft programs, adult programs including the library's e-book program and Learning Express, which provides a multitude of educational tools for all ages

The library also gave away prizes in its Design a Bookmark contest. Winners were Addison Rump, Kerrington Wardlow, Kylee Newkirk, and Jeanene Dean, all of Fort Madison.

Jacob Cook, with the Leadership Academy, said the program was intended to help the library with programming and membership, and was selected out of a group of proposals sent to the Lee County Leadership.

"Well, it was one of the ideas that was brought to our attention. Lee County

*“Over the last couple of years membership has been getting a bit older and we’re losing some who are no longer able to actively contribute...”*

-Sara Clendineng, Library Director

Leadership program went to the community and asked around what are some possible ways the leadership group could really contribute to the community, Cook said.

"Sarah submitted the idea and had ideas to create awareness for the library and Friends of the Library and increase membership a little bit."

Clendineng said the event is geared toward showing the community the value of the Friends of the Public Library and how they help with programming at the library.

"The library has had a Friends of the Library group since 1985. Over the last couple years membership has been getting a bit older and we're losing some who are no longer able to actively contribute so we've been looking for ways to increase the public profile and awareness in the community of what the friends do and how people can help with that," Clendineng said.

"When Lee County Leadership sent out requests for proposals one thought I had was an event to do with the community to see what the library does and how the friends help with that and then in turn help with membership."

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### NELLIE ROSE POHLPETER



POHLPETER

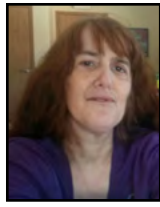
Nellie Rose Pohlpetter, 76, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 11:04 a.m. on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at Trinity Medical Center in Rock Island, IL. She was born on January 18, 1941 in Mt. Hamill, IA to Fred & Ruth Choate Thompson. She married Royce Lee Pohlpetter on July 3, 1965 in Fort Madison, IA. He preceded her in death on June 2, 2007. She worked in the food service area at Richard & Jefferson Schools and was a homemaker. She was a member of Ss. Mary & Joseph Church.

Nellie is survived by: 2-daughters: Rose Pohlpetter of Fort Madison, IA & Renee (John) Fish of Dallas City, IL; 2-brothers: Joe (Jackie) Thompson of Fort Madison, IA & Fred (Joann) Thompson of Mt. Hamill, IA; 3-sisters: Lucille Garmoe of Montrose, IA, Louise Carr of Rock Island, IL & Shirley (Clarence Snyder) Burroughs of Davenport, IA; 6-sister in laws: Florence Thompson of Houghton, IA, Connie (Robert) Bunker of Fort Madison, IA, Carmen Pohlpetter of Fort Madison, IA, Peggy Pohlpetter of Fort Madison, IA, Ann Pohlpetter of Fort Madison, IA, Glenda Pohlpetter of Des Moines, IA, 1-brother in law: Larry (Frances) Pohlpetter of Terral, OK, numerous nieces & nephews and great nieces & nephews. She was preceded in death by: her parents, husband & 3-brothers.

Friends may call after 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 30, 2017 with the family to receive friends from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. with a wake service to be held at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday evening all at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The funeral mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial will be held at Sacred Heart Cemetery. A memorial has been established for P.A.W. Animal Shelter or Holy Family Parish. Online condolences to Nellie's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

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### KRISTINE K. KROGMEIER



KROGMEIER

Kristine K. Krogmeier, 52, of Burlington and formerly of Ft. Madison, passed away on Friday, April 28, 2017 at 2:45 AM at the Great River Hospice House. She was a twelve year breast cancer survivor and unfortunately the cancer came back and overtook her body.

She was born on February 15, 1965 in Ft. Madison to Patrick and Joyce Jones Krogmeier. Kris had lived at Hope Haven for thirty years and for the past several years resided at the Krogmeier Site at Hope Haven. She loved the color purple. Kris also enjoyed music, scary movies, chocolate and doing crafts. She was an avid fan of Kyle Busch #18 NASCAR driver and Chuck Norris.

Survivors include her parents, Pat and Joyce Krogmeier of Ft. Madison; her sister, Gina Hansen of Gladstone, Oregon and her children Nicole Schukow, Jessica and Jennifer Hansen; a brother, Perry (Rita) Krogmeier of Wilmington, NC and their children, Cory and Katie Krogmeier; aunts and uncles including her favorite uncle, Steve "Gus" Jones of Ft. Madison. She was preceded in death by her maternal and paternal grandparents.

The funeral service will be held at 11 AM on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at King-Lynk Funeral Home with Rev. Lnette Van officiating. The family requests that anyone attending the service please wear something purple to honor Kris. The family will meet with friends from 10 AM until the time of the service at 11 AM. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for Hope Haven and online condolences may be left at [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

## FM woman leads police on chase, arrested on bridge

BY PCC STAFF

HAMILTON - A 33-year-old Fort Madison woman has been arrested after leading police on a 16-mile chase that ended with a collision on the Burlington Northern-Santa Fe Bridge in Niota.

According to a release from Hamilton Assistant Police Chief Nick Jamerson, at about 2:40 a.m. Friday morning a Hamilton Police Officer conducted a traffic stop just east of the city on U.S. Highway 136. The driver of the stopped vehicle, Jennifer L. Leggett, 33, of Fort Madison allegedly fled the scene in her vehicle.

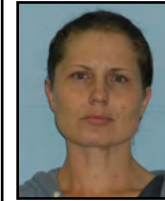
A deputy with the Hancock County Sheriff's Department assisted in the chase which ended at the bridge, when Leggett is reported to have rammed the deputy's patrol vehicle. No injuries were reported but the patrol vehicle sustained heavy damage.

Leggett was taken into custody without further incident and transported to the Hancock County Jail in Carthage.

Leggett was charged with aggravated fleeing and eluding, reckless driving, criminal damage to state supported property, aggravated assault with the motor vehicle, driving under the influence of drugs, possession of methamphetamine, and multiple other traffic violations.

Assisting the sheriff's department and Hamilton police were the Fort Madison Police Department and the Hancock County State's Attorney's office.

Leggett is being held pending an initial court appearance.



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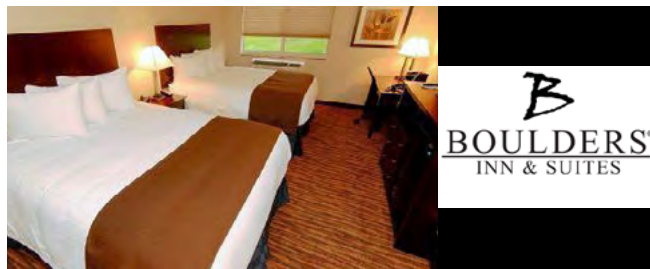
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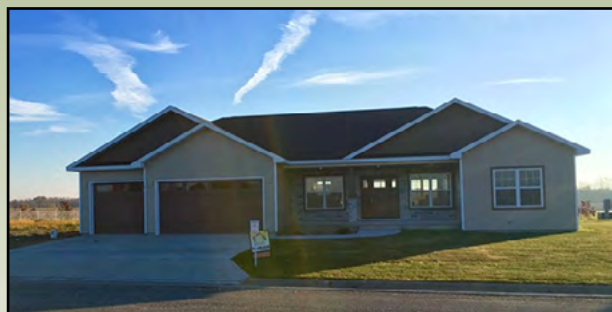
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**1703 Avenue L**  
Listing #20165151 • \$55,900



**3BR • 1BA • 2 car garage**  
**1,488 sq. ft. • 16,247 sq. ft. lot**

Has been owned by this seller since 1960!!! Large eat-in kitchen with newly tiled floor includes stove, microwave, washer and dryer, main floor laundry (in bedroom), formal dining room with built-in hutch, and spacious living room. The house sits on a HUGE lot and has a nice 2 car garage in back. Home has Gas Heat and central air with maintenance-free siding on house and garage.

**1712 Avenue E**  
Listing #20164725 • \$92,000



**4BR • 1.50BA**  
**1,706 sq. ft. • 7,250 sq. ft. lot**

This spacious home has it all, the character of a turn of the century home; beautiful woodwork, beamed ceilings, window seat, columns, and large covered front porch, yet also includes MANY updates. Call today for your private viewing!

**3098 County Road 103**  
Listing #20164991 • \$129,900



**2BR • 2BA • 3 car garage**  
**1,404 sq. ft. • 1.42 acres**

Upgrades, improvements, updates...call it what you like, this home has had MANY in the last 2 plus years. This seller has completely refurbished the hill to the north of the home with new landscaping finishes. This is a must see property!!! It has enough room for your family and then some!!!

**4911 Bluff Road**  
Listing #20164861 • \$157,500



**3BR • 1.75BA • 2 car garage**  
**1,772 sq. ft. • 0.57 acres**

Great family home with LOTS OF NEW! New kitchen, bathroom, windows, most flooring, wrap around deck, ceiling fans, light fixtures, furnace and central air! Beautiful neutral decor and window treatments make this a must see! All this and a 2 car heated garage.

**1708 Avenue G**  
Listing #20165237 • \$92,500



**3BR • 1BA**  
**1,432 sq. ft. • 5,500 sq. ft. lot**

This UPDATED, MOVE-IN READY, CHARMING 3 bedroom home will make an awesome family home!!! This gem has all new windows throughout, exterior doors, deck, plumbing, & NEW roof on house & garage. So come check it out! This is a MUST SEE!!!







**3 BR • 2 BA • 2 car garage  
1,168 sq. ft. • 0.54 acres**

Quality and beauty! Many updates and upgrades including a new concrete patio/carport with surround sound and mood lighting, new kitchen, bath and lighting throughout. This is an AMAZING house that you MUST see to appreciate!!!

**Listing #20164622 • \$88,000**



**3 BR • 2 BA • 2 car garage  
1,168 sq. ft. • 0.54 acres**

Lovely family home comfortably situated at the end of a cul de sac, where you can enjoy the woods and the privacy! There is an inviting deck off the back of the home overlooking the woods and beautiful vinyl fencing. There are newer mechanicals and a newer roof, 2 fireplaces and lots of storage!! Don't miss out on this beauty.

**Listing #20163951 • \$129,000**



**5BR • 2.50BA • 2 car garage  
2,834 sq. ft.**

**14,868 sq. ft. lot**

Amazing family home on a large corner lot in Farmington, IA. 2 fireplaces, beautiful woodwork, a beautiful open front porch, a large yard and an oversized garage!!

**Listing #20164117 • \$127,500**



**2BR • 1BA • 1 car garage  
1,224 sq. ft.**

**7,250 sq. ft. lot**

A house with character! Wrap-around porch, original hardwood in formal dining room/living room combo, main floor laundry, nice size eat-in kitchen including appliances, dining room has original fireplace, basement and 1 car garage.

**Listing #20162543 • \$53,000**



**5BR • 1.75BA • 1 car garage  
1,904 sq. ft. • 1,903 sq. ft. lot**

Great family home on large corner lot in the middle of Ft. Madison. Large living / dining area with original craftsman woodwork and built-ins, 14 x 22 garage on the alley with 2 additional storage sheds. Nice front porch, rear deck, and a great sunroom on the East.

**Listing #20162346  
\$86,950**



**3BR • 1BA • 1 car garage  
928 sq. ft. • 1,087 sq. ft. lot**

Very nice maintenancefree home by Lincoln School with a 75 X 145 fenced yard, nice patio, fire pit and child's play set! Some very nice built-ins, some original hardwood flooring, full basement including laundry area. Also find extra parking, garage and carport area on the paved alley.

**Listing #20164148 • \$72,500**



**5BR • 3BA  
3,119 sq. ft.**

**14,500 sq. ft. lot**

From the period wrought iron fencing to the amazing stained oak staircase...from the impressive arches to the large wrap porch, this beautiful turn of the century (20th) home offers all the beauty and elegance of that era. This is a beautifully appointed home with all the modern conveniences. There is an extra large lot for your family to enjoy!!

**Listing #20162159 • \$164,000**



**3 BR • 2 BA • 1 car garage  
2,260 sq. ft.  
6,784 sq. ft. lot**

Lots of new! Semi open floor plan, new flooring, great open basement family space, and many updates including heat/air units, kitchen back splash, counters and more! Fenced in back yard with stamped concrete patio and awning. Call today to see this great home in a quiet neighborhood.

**Listing #20164544 • \$139,900**



**3BR • 3BA  
2,754 sq. ft.**

**3,550 sq. ft. lot**

Gorgeous, turn-key home with large patio minimum maintenance. UPDATES GALORE!!! Practically perfect in every way, this 1841 home includes the latest improvements while keeping its Victorian charm.

**Listing #23006122 • \$99,999**



**2BR • 1BA • 2 car garage  
930 sq. ft. • 7,280 sq. ft. lot**

This 2 bedroom home in Montrose has been a rental property and sells as is. Priced way below assessed value to sell quickly!

**Listing #20164279 • \$38,500**







**2BR • 1BA  
1,144 sq. ft.  
3,625 sq. ft. lot**

Move-in ready with many updates including kitchen WITH appliances, fresh paint, newer electrical (100 AMP breaker), new water lines at street and more! The home is clean as a whistle and ready to move in!

**Listing #20161431 • \$42,500**



**2BR • 1.75BA • 2 car garage  
679 sq. ft. • 6,500 sq. ft. lot**  
Nice, small home. Seller has purchased and remodeled. Excellent condition.  
**Listing #20164161 • \$62,500**



**2 BR • 1 BA • 1 car garage  
528 sq. ft. • 5,600 sq. ft. lot**  
Super deal on this cream puff home, offering 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, new roof, newer windows, siding and REALLY nice garage!  
**Listing #20164597 • \$29,900**



**4 BR • 1.75 BA  
3 car garage • 2,052 sq. ft.  
8,700 sq. ft. lot**  
Beautiful 4 bedroom home with large rooms, recently redecorated and ready to move into. This home features stainless steel appliances, main floor laundry, eat in kitchen and formal dining room, main floor office or bedroom, open staircase, large living room and big bedrooms. Newer roof, siding and gutters on house. 24' X 36' insulated garage and workshop, plus carport. Large wrap porch great location near Old Settlers Park.  
**Listing #20163776 • \$129,500**



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**3 BR • 1 BA • 1 car garage  
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**Listing #20164234 • \$119,900**



**2 car garage • 2,527 sq. ft.**  
UNIQUELY beautiful 9.38 river bluff acreage. This home boasts many updates including complete master suite, heat and A/C, Septic system, deck, roof & gutters, flooring, and the list goes on. This private property includes fenced in barn area for animal lovers, mature fruit trees plus trees have been dropped for a beautiful panoramic river view that will last for years! Owner also plans to leave a John Deere mower and new snow blower!!  
**Listing #20162733 • \$269,000**



**3 BR • 2.50 BA  
2 car garage • 1,194 sq. ft.  
10,400 sq. ft. lot**  
Great family home is move-in ready. Nice-sized kitchen with all appliances, dining area, and nice living room all on the upper level. Completely re-modeled family room with a wood burning fireplace on lower level. Many updates include newer flooring, roof and HVAC system.  
**Listing #20164531 \$114,900**



**Land  
14.65 acres • 638,514 sq. ft.**  
Just outside city limits, perfect for housing development or small farm for horses or small livestock, over half tillable. City water is available. 30' X 60' building is totally insulated, heated and air conditioned with 200 amp service.  
**Listing #20162574 • \$249,000**



**3BR • 1.75BA • 1 car garage  
888 sq. ft. • 9,450 sq. ft. lot**  
RARE RANCH with large fenced back yard and attached garage! Updated windows and kitchen, newer HVAC and water heater. Family Room in the basement. Just waiting for your own personal touch!  
**Listing #20163423 • \$74,900**



**Land  
50.82 acres  
2,213,719 sq. ft.**  
Ideal 50 acre m/l parcel to develop. Close to new 4-8 Middle School and Baxter Rec Plex. TREMENDOUS DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY.  
**Listing #20162779 • \$559,020**



**Sports**

# Chiefs hand Lady Hounds first loss in five games

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

KEOKUK - Three quick goals by Keokuk to start the second half were enough to give Fort Madison it's first loss in five games.

The two teams battled without a goal with Keokuk controlling the ball on their side of the field for most of the first half, but the Lady Hounds defense held and goalie Josie Pumphrey had four saves in the first 10 minutes. But with 9:34 left in the first half, Keokuk dumped a soft shot over Pumphrey's head into the right side of the goal to take a 1-0 lead.

The Lady Hounds had several break chances to score, including one ball that got past the Keokuk goalie, but a trailer was able to foot stop the ball prior to rolling over the line and Keokuk held their 1-0 lead going into the half.

The wheels came off temporarily to start the second half, but after Keokuk took a 4-0 lead, the Hounds battled back heading north on the field. Kalifa McCaleb scored for the Hounds and Dezire Kline put another ball into the net shortly after. Allison Brune had assists on both FMHS goals.

Keokuk regrouped and put on some clock management tactics to put the game away.

"They had come to Keokuk wanting to win and so they did not give up and kept attacking," said head coach Sebastian Seifert. "Time was running out and Keokuk used pretty smart clock management towards the end. We had a few more chances but could not convert."

Kalifa McCaleb was awarded Player of the game by her teammates.

The Lady Hounds are now 5-3 and 3-2 in conference, and travel to Mediapolis on Tuesday and host Davenport West on Friday.



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Above, Kalifa McCaleb tries to cut off Keokuk's McKenna Tackes Thursday evening at Keokuk. FM lost, 4-2 for the first time in five games. At left, Taylor Shannan gets pulled and pushed, by a Keokuk defender as she pushes toward the goal.

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## From the Front/Sports

# Bailey looking forward to building on success

**COACH** - Continued from Page 1

He said Friday he's looking forward to the challenge of coaching again.

"I'm really looking forward to the opportunity to work with the kids again. I'm looking to continue the success of the program and I appreciate the opportunity to be the head coach again."

He said FMHS has a tradition of success and a youth program that has produced returns on that investment of time and energy. He said those kids have a lot of energy and will backfill the program nicely.

"If you look on the walls in this school, we've won a number of conference championships, a conference championship this last year, and when we got to districts we had a lot of support going into that, so there's a lot of support in this community, especially with Holy Trinity in town, as well."

"We've got a lot of kids that are playing club volleyball and that program's strong," Bailey said. "We've got kids that wanna play and are excited to play. Some of those are already anxious to get in the gym for summer workouts."

But he said he's still very excited about the team he's inheriting and being able to go out and compete day one.

"We've got a strong group of seniors this year, so we're going off that. After that, we've got a lot of kids who have played volleyball... really love volleyball, and you get those kids and there's some real talent there."

Bailey said August 7 is the first day of practice and then two weeks later, they play in a tournament in Danville. He said the team will also participate in a summer league in Burlington.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

New FMHS Head Football Coach Tony Shiffman, left, and new Head Volleyball Coach Kent Bailey, right, answer questions from the media on Friday at a Meet-and-Greet in the FMHS media center.

# Hounds blanked by Keokuk Friday

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Bloodhounds dropped a 6-0 match to Keokuk in Friday high school boys soccer action at the Bloodhound Sports Complex.

Junior Carson Donaldson and sophomore Javier Trejo each had four saves for the Bloodhounds. Keokuk scored two of its goals in the first half and four in the second.

Audrae Vincent took three shots for the Bloodhounds two on goal. AJ Nolting and Chase Rogers each took one shot.

The Hounds won the junior varsity match with Kelly Russel scoring two goals and Reuben Eid and Miguel Trejo with one each. Chris Kistner and Miguel Trejo each had an assist and Javier Trejo had two saves.

Fort Madison falls to 3-6 overall and 0-5 in the loop and hosts Fairfield Monday night.

# Downtown work to start in early June

**BARKERS** - Continued from Page 1

Varley also said that Barkers had hoped to start construction in May, but he heard this week that the start date will more likely be in early June.

"Last I heard, they're probably not gonna get going until June. They were planning in May, but this probably won't happen til June as they pull all the subcontractors together," he said.

Other items on the agenda include:

- a resolution setting a public hearing and ordering construction for the Blackhawk Heights sewer improvements.

- a public hearing for May 16 is part of the consent agenda for budget amendments for the 2016-17 fiscal year.

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