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Ita takes Connection post in Burlington

BY PCC STAFF

BURLINGTON – Connection Bank proudly announces Brock Ita has joined the team as Burlington Market President. The bank along with its affiliate, Connection Insurance, is in the process of building a new storefront on the corner of Roosevelt and Market Streets in Burlington with an anticipated opening in May.

Ita, born and raised in Danville, attended the University of Iowa and Wartburg College. He received his Master's Degree in Sport Administration from the University of Louisville. While at the University of Louisville, Ita worked in corporate sales and marketing for Churchill Downs, the world famous horse racing track and home of "The Kentucky Derby". Upon graduation, Ita moved to Las Vegas, NV, again working in sales and marketing this time with the

Las Vegas Motor Speedway. He returned to Southeast Iowa five years ago where he began his career in banking. Ita says of his new opportunity, "I am really excited about starting a new chapter in my banking career at Connection Bank. I recently heard a great definition for the word "culture". It was simply defined as, "the way we do things around here". Connection

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Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



Wednesday at the Test Kitchen

Above, Ethan Huffman, 10, weaves a yarn Wednesday, about a big fish caught by one of the students at the Elliott Test Kitchen while the student was in Florida. Huffman was the volunteer cook for the study session on fractions. He made baked Mahi Mahi, cilantro chicken quesadillas with spanish rice and a strawberry cake for dessert.

Kearns won't seek re-election this year

Rep. says 10 years is long enough, time for others to serve

DES MOINES - State Representative Jerry Kearns has indicated via Facebook and through media releases that he will not be seeking re-election to House District 83 in the November 2018 general election.

When contacted Wednesday night, Kearns said he had heard of people in the district who were interested in running for the seat.

"I've heard a couple three names, but they haven't declared yet, so I'm not comfortable giving those out yet," he said.



KEARNS

Kearns of Keokuk has represented the 83rd district for 10 years and said it's time to step aside and let others lead.

"I am completing my tenth year in the House, and that is a reasonably long tenure for a citizen legislator," he said. "I retired from my regular job last year and while I enjoy serving in the Legislature, I believe now is the time to step aside and make room for others to serve."

Kearns' previous public service included eighteen years as a Lee County Supervisor and four years in the United States Air Force.

"I have always been pleased to serve the public in whatever capacity I was involved, and appreciate the confidence placed in me in representing the citizens of Lee County in all these areas. I encourage those who might be interested in public service in the legislature to step forward in order that the citizens of District #83 may consider your candidacy," he wrote on Facebook Wednesday afternoon.

"Once again, I want to thank everyone for allowing me to represent you over the years".

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CURRENT-LEE

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LEE COUNTY – Raffle tickets for Lee County Pheasants Forever 25 Gun Raffle are available from any club member or at the banquet. Tickets are \$10 each and are limited to 3,000. The raffle will be held during the chapter’s annual banquet on February 24, 2018. Proceeds from the raffle are used to support the Tri-State Young Guns and Fort Madison Clay Crushers High School Trap Shooting Teams. For more information about the raffle, go to <http://www.leecountypf.org/raffles/>.



FMHS Boosters Trivia Night Feb. 10

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Bloodhound Boosters are holding a Trivia Night on Feb. 10 at the Fort Madison Eagles Club from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

The night will feature a full trivia contest in addition to a silent auction and other games for cash prizes. Teams are to be no more than eight people at \$10 per person. Participants are encouraged to bring snacks for their team table. A cash bar will be available.

Proceeds go to benefit the Fort Madison Athletic Booster club. The first 15 teams to register will receive an advantage on trivia night.

You can register at the following link <https://docs.google.com/.../2PACX-1vSl-nEKPM0vv-D46Esju6Nx.../pub>. Forms need to be returned to FMHS athletic office or to a Booster club member.

Soroptimist Business Meeting Feb. 1

FORT MADISON - Soroptimist International of Fort Madison will be holding their regular business meeting at noon at Atlas Steak & Smokehouse on Thursday. Women who are interested in our organization are invited to attend.

Pen City Current will list your event in this highly visible CURRENT-LEE section in increments of 25 words for \$15. Add a photo for \$5. Non-profit organizations are eligible for the reduced rate of \$10 per 25 words and \$3 per photo. To place your listing, click here or call Lee at (319)371.4125.

OBITUARIES

MARIE FRANCES LEAKE

Marie Frances Leake, 100, of Fort Madison, IA passed away Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at Sunny Brook Care Center in Ft. Madison, IA.

Marie was born October 6, 1917 in St. Louis, MO to Frank and Clara Hurley Reinhart in St. Louis, MO. She was united in marriage to Loren Leake on February 8, 1938 in Burlington, IA. He preceded her in death on June 21, 1996.

Marie was a home maker who enjoyed playing cards and Bingo. She loved to dance, and was able to continue dancing until she was in her late nineties. Marie’s most cherished moments were those that she spent with her family and friends.

She is survived by two sons, Robert (Martha) of LaPlace, LA and Charles (Made-line) of Dallas City, IL. Marie had six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by one son, Loren C. Leake, and her parents.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Tuesday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Pastor Dawn Butler officiating. Burial will be in the Keokuk National Cemetery.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service from 10-11 a.m., Tuesday at the funeral home with family meeting with friends at that time.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Staff of the Garden at Sunny Brook Care Center, 5025 River Valley Rd., Fort Madison, IA 52627.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

AUDREY J. CLINGMAN

Audrey J. Clingman, age 81, of Ft. Madison, passed away on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at John Lincoln Medical Center in Phoenix, AZ. Arrangements are pending at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.

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FRI 02 Feb
Light Snow
High – 25.1° F | Low – 15.3° F

SAT 03 Feb
Light Snow
High – 38.3° F | Low – 31.8° F

SUN 04 Feb
Snow
High – 21.3° F | Low – 16.1° F

MON 05 Feb
Snow
High – 10.0° F | Low – 9.4° F

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From the Front/Lottery Numbers

Ita looking forward to serving Burlington market

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Bank's culture was one of the main attractions to me when I was presented with the opportunity to join the team. Their commitment to deep personal relationships with customers and team members is what stood out. I am looking forward to continuing that in the Burlington market!"



ITA

Ita and his wife Amy live in Danville with their three sons. He is a member of Harmony Bible Church and has been involved in several school-related and non-profit organizations in the area.

About Connection Bank and Insurance: With roots all the way back to 1854, as the first bank in Iowa, Connec-

tion Bank and Insurance was formed in 2016, the happy marriage of two cornerstone community banks; Fort Madison Bank & Trust in Fort Madison, IA and KSB Bank in Keokuk, IA along with their insurance affiliates. They are currently jumping for joy about their expansion in Burlington, IA which will open in the spring of 2018. Connection Bank has \$265 million in assets and the combined organizations employ 96 people at six bank branches and three insurance locations. They offer full service consumer and commercial banking, trust and wealth management services and a complete portfolio of insurance products. Additional information, as well as mobile, online and payment services can be found at www.myconnectionbank.com.



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Mega Millions®	Tues & Fri	8:59 pm	10:00 pm
Powerball®	Wed & Sat	8:59 pm	9:59 pm
Lotto America™	Wed & Sat	8:59 pm	10:00 pm
Pick 3 - Midday	Daily	Noon	12:20 pm
Pick 3 - Evening	Daily	9:40 pm	10:00 pm
Pick 4 - Midday	Daily	Noon	12:20 pm
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1/31
4 7 14 46 59
Powerball: 22
Power Play: 10



1/31
11 14 22 27 38
Star Ball: 3
All Star Bonus: 2



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3 1 1
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9 7 5



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5 0 7 4
1/31 EVENING
3 6 4 2

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Area News/Classifieds

ISU extension sets confinement certification

BY PCC STAFF

DONNELSON - Confinement site manure applicators should plan to attend a two-hour workshop offered by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to maintain or renew their confinement site manure applicator certification.

The Lee County workshop will be offered on February 8th, 2018 at 1:30 PM at Lee County Extension, 414 N Main Street, Donnellson, Iowa.

"Iowa law requires confinement site manure applicators to attend two hours of continuing education each year of their three-year certification period, or take and pass the exam once every three years," said Dan Andersen, assistant professor, ISU Ag and Biosystems Engineering and coordinator of the manure applicator certification program. "If applicators fail to attend the two hours of continuing education each year, they will be required to pass a written exam to be eligible to recertify." Each year nearly 200 confinement site applicators fail to attend training and must pass the remedial



exam prior to being eligible to renew their certification for the following year.

The workshop serves as initial certification for those applicators that are not currently certified, recertification for those renewing licenses and as continuing education for those their second or third year of their license. The 2018 Confinement site program will include rules for applicators as well as land application and setback distance requirements, water quality and applying manure into cover crops, and application equipment uniformity.

Operators must be certified to handle, transport, and apply manure if the confinement livestock operation has more than a 500 animal unit capacity unless the manure is applied by a commercial manure applicator. The certification fee is \$100 for a three-year certificate. This fee is paid when applicators initially get certified and then every three years when they re-certify to apply manure.

Confinement site applicators are also required to pay an annual education fee of \$25. All fees and application forms must be sent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to complete certification requirements.

ISU Extension and Outreach will charge a \$10 fee to applicators choosing to view the certification materials

on a non-scheduled reshew day at the county office. For this reason, all applicators are encouraged to attend the workshops or to plan to view training materials on the scheduled reshew date at their local county extension office. This fee will not apply to workshops or scheduled reshew dates. Please contact the county extension office to determine which days are scheduled for the manure applicator certification programs.

Applicators have another option for certification; online certification, which an applicator can take their training on-line at DNR MAC eLearning site at <https://elearning-dnr.iowa.gov/>. The applicator will need to sign-in and get an A&A account.

Applicators are encouraged to complete certification requirements annually prior to March 1 to meet certification deadlines and avoid being assessed a \$12.50 late fee for re-certification.

For more information about meeting dates and locations, or to schedule an appointment to attend training, contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Lee County office at 319-835-5116 or visit <http://www.agronext.iastate.edu/immag/certification/confinementsitebrochure.pdf>

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