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Partners rehab three homes in 2nd Paint-A-thon



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Sabrina Snaadt, with the Fort Madison Partner's office, works on a house at 3407 Avenue Q on Tuesday morning as part of the group's annual Paint-A-thon.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – In just its second year, the annual Paint-A-thon, organized by Fort Madison Partners is finishing up on their fifth home in Fort Madison.

The event is put on in conjunction with Community Action of Southeast Iowa and identifies smaller homes in Iowa that are in need of some minor exterior repair and painting.

Partners Executive Director Tim Gobble said his goal this year was to move to three homes over the two that were done in the event's first year in 2018.

Community Action Network's Tom Richert removes paint from the wood trim on the home on Avenue Q Tuesday morning.

"Actually we started with two, but there were a couple groups from industries that came up and said we've got x number of individuals that are going to help on such a date," Gobble said.

"I thought, 'Well, I won't have enough work for everyone,' and we had some homes in the queue and we were able to come up with a third to home to help with."

But he said volunteer support was better this year than last as word of the project got out.

The project focuses on smaller homes that are 1 to 1.5 stories that are owned and resided in by residents 60 and older. Gobble said by sticking with those parame-

ters, if some of the volunteers didn't show up, the work could still get done.

"I was able to schedule 22 to 25 people per house this year," he said. "And the work has gone very well."

The premiere sponsor of the event for the past two years has been Kempker's True Value Rental, who furnished all the paint for the three homes.



GOBBLE

Homes this year were located at 2026 Avenue E, 3407 Avenue Q, and 4415 Avenue L.

Gobble said if there was one thing he would like to improve on for next year, it would be getting more applications for homes. He said the application process only turned up one home, but that was disqualified as being outside the parameters of the project.

He said Community Action provides services to residents in Lee County and they were able to reach out to some and find homes that could be improved. Gobble said once the homes were identified, Community Action went to work.

"Community Action and their contractor has been working on the homes for the past 2.5 weeks getting them ready to be scraped and painted," Gobble said.

The contractor does minor repairs to the exterior of the building to enable the rehabs to have lasting

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Catfish Bend readies for sports gaming

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

BURLINGTON – A bill that would permit sports wagering and betting on fantasy sports sites is now in front of Gov. Kim Reynolds and Catfish Bend Casino in Burlington has released tentative plans to address new potential customers.

Gary Hoyer, CEO of Great River Entertainment, the parent company of Catfish Bend Casino, said, if and when the bill is signed into law, it will bring illegal gambling in Iowa out of the shadows.

"We all just woke up to this today," Hoyer said Tuesday afternoon.

"The Governor will get it in the next day or two. There have been discussions about when she'll be signing it, but she has not indicated, to my knowledge, what her intentions are. Both parties in the House and Senate supported this bill. It brings sports betting out of the shadows, regulates it and taxes it, and places it under the Iowa Racing and Gaming Commission, which has a long reputation of integrity."

The door was opened for the legislation when the U.S. Supreme Court struck down a federal ban on sports wagering last year.

Catfish Bend is partnering with PointsBet, an international sportsbook company with experience in online, in-person, and mobile sports wagering.

Hoyer said the company is a great strategic partner with successful operations in New Jersey, Australia, and other locations.

"They are a great strategic partner. They know the app world very well and they are very good at setting up vibrant sports online activities, as well as physical facilities," he said.

The American Gaming Association cites more than \$150 billion annually is spent in the U.S. on illegal sports gambling, but Hoyer said the margin between what people spend and what the payouts are is very thin.

"I don't see sports betting in Iowa to be hugely profitable, but it presents an opportunity to create new activity, new interest, and possibly attract a

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Obituaries/Lottery Numbers

OBITUARIES

MELBA A. THERME-STEINHILBER

Melba A. Therme-Steinhilber, 101, of Farmington and Fort Madison, Iowa, passed away at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at the Donnellson Health Center, Donnellson, Iowa.

She was born on May 12, 1917 on the family farm near Donnellson, Iowa, the daughter of Delbert A. and Pansy B. (McPherson) Henkle. On June 8, 1939, she married Manford T. Therme in Davenport, Iowa, he preceded her in death on July 7, 1991. On May 10, 1994 she married Robert W. Steinhilber, he preceded her in death on July 18, 2003.

Survivors include her daughter: Janey R, Lamborn of Donnellson, Iowa; two grandchildren: Tracy (Gary) Frahm of Miles, Iowa and Brian K. Fuchs of Urbandale, Iowa; five great grandchildren: Brooke Fuchs of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Dyllan Frahm of Ames, Iowa, Jaime Frahm of Deerfield, Florida, Jack Fuchs and Will Fuchs of Urbandale, Iowa; a step-daughter, Karla (Mark) McNelis of Glendale, California; a step-son, Wayne Steinhilber of Washington, D.C.; six step-grandchildren, four step-great grandchildren and four step-great-great grandchildren. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands; a son in infancy; a brother, Albert L. Henkle and son-in-law, James W. "Bill" Lamborn.

Melba attended Donnellson High School for two years and graduated in 1935 from Farmington High School. She also attended Iowa Wesleyan College. She

began her teaching career in the Lee County country schools including Van Buren, Hickory Grove, Sawyer, Belmont, Saxe and Primrose. Melba then taught at Farmington/Harmony. She then retired after teaching 19 years at Lincoln Grade School in Fort Madison, Iowa.

She was a member of the Farmington United Methodist Church where she taught Bible School for several years. She was active in many area organizations, including Farmington P.E.O Chapter O, ISEA, NEA, Farmington Cemetery Association, Quilt and Afghan Club, Fort Madison Sweet Adelines, Fort Madison Area Arts Association, Eastern Star and Bible Study Club. Melba enjoyed crossword puzzles, painting, sewing and gardening. She especially enjoyed spending time with family.

Her body has been entrusted to Schmitz Funeral Home for cremation.

A Graveside memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, July 5, 2019 at Greenglade Cemetery, Farmington, Iowa with Pastor Michael Elrod officiating.

A memorial has been established in her memory for Greenglade Cemetery.

Schmitz Funeral Home of Farmington is assisting the family with arrangements. On-line condolences to the family may be made at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com.

OBITUARIES

ERIN KEITH

Erin Keith, 62 of Ft. Madison passed away on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 4:48 PM at her home.



KEITH

She was born on April 8, 1957 in Maryland. She married John Wentzien and they later divorced. She then married Gary Peters. Erin loved to wear hats, go to yard sales and she enjoyed animals.

Survivors include her husband, Gary Peters of Ft. Madison and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Per her wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. There will be no formal services at this time. Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

Pen City Current obituary policy
The Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes.

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Ag News/From the Front

Bill would ban in-game betting on Iowa collegiate sports

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younger demographic from time to time. It will add to the offerings that we have in the casino," Hoyer said.

Plans for the casino include an enhanced sports bar with a large television for sports, combined with the bar and limited appetizers. There will also be slot machines and gaming tables embedded with the project that will be built on site.

There are some limitations in the legislation that prohibit in-game betting on Iowa collegiate sports.

"Once the game starts there'd be no further betting allowed on an Iowa collegiate sports activity. The in-game bets, such as who will throw the next TD, who's gonna kick the next three field goals, those types of things are not going to be allowed for Iowa collegiate sports," Hoyer said.

The bill provides for a 6.75% tax rate plus an additional .75% that would go to non-profits, like the Southeast Iowa Regional Riverboat Commission. Hoyer said that would come off the net profit of the casino, not the total amount wagered.

He said the real game changer is that you can bet from your phone. Those wanting to set up an app on their phone would have to come to the casino to get the program set up. The IRGC has not informed state casinos what information will be needed for the app.

Hoyer also said the account would have to be connected to a debit card, not a credit card and you would have to be in-state to place bets through the app.

"They will use geofencing so you would physically have to be in the state with your phone to place a bet," Hoyer said. "Out-of-state residents can set up an account, but you have to be in the state for the app to work."

Hoyer says if the bill is signed, it will have an impact on gambling revenues,

but he said it won't be as big as some are predicting.

"It truly will make a difference, but not as large of a business activity as some in the media are painting it," Hoyer said. "We'll know more as we investigate it further. Right now we're putting together thoughts and expectations and designs."



SPORTS BETTING



USDA offers emergency support to Iowa producers

DES MOINES – Upper midwest agricultural producers who lost property due to recent natural disasters may be eligible for U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) physical loss loans. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) offers these low-interest loans to agricultural producers in Brown, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Dodge, Freeborn, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Mahanomen, Martin, Meeker, Mower, Murray, Olmsted, Polk, Pope, Redwood, Renville, Sibley, Stearns, Wabasha, Watonwan, Winona and Yellow Medicine counties, the primary damaged area, who incurred losses caused by blizzard, excessive snow, excessive rain and high winds that occurred between Jan. 28, 2019, through March 23, 2019. Approval is limited to applicants who suffered severe physical losses only, including the loss of buildings and livestock. Applications are due Dec. 9, 2019.

"Minnesota's hardworking ag producers feed our neighbors, the nation and the world," said State Executive Director Joe Martin. "When they suffer losses because of extreme weather, helping them get back on their feet is important. We encourage those affected to reach out to their local USDA Service Center to apply for these emergency loans."

Producers in the contiguous Minnesota counties of Becker, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Carver, Clearwater, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Goodhue, Grant, Houston, Jackson, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, McLeod, Marshall, Morrison, Nicollet, Nobles, Norman, Pennington, Pipestone, Red Lake, Rice, Rock, Scott, Sherburne, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Waseca and Wright, along with Emmet, Howard, Kossuth, Mitchell, Winnebago and Worth counties in Iowa, Grand Forks

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Clean Home. Clean Planet.

Do your part during this year's Spring Cleaning activities by making sure you're choosing products safe for our planet.

Here are just a few of the ways you can help:

- Properly dispose of your household hazardous waste materials, construction debris, & electronic waste
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This year, do your part to keep our environment clean, too!



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Iowa expands services to include Google Home, Amazon Echo

DES MOINES - Governor Kim Reynolds, Lt. Gov. Gregg, and Chief Information Officer Jeff Franklin announced today that Iowa is expanding its communication channels and services to include Google Home, Amazon Echo, and a chatbot. Iowans can now ask their smartphone or Google/Amazon digital assistant questions about state government events and services.

You can watch the press conference and demo here. "Iowans are seeking state government services that are compatible with the 21st century, technological-driven economy," said Gov. Reynolds. "Today's announcement furthers our efforts to be more innovative to better serve their needs. That's why we'll continue exploring additional ways that Iowans can access vital information at their fingertips."

"Once again, we have shown that Iowa is home to innovation, cutting edge technology, and is always looking to break new barriers to better serve the people we represent," said Lt. Gov. Gregg. "Iowa is leading the way as the first state in the Midwest and sixth in the nation to integrate this user-friendly technology."

Ask the State of Iowa helps Iowans with smartphones and voice devices find answers to their most common questions of the various state agencies. With the Google

devices you can find State government office phone numbers or ask Google to call our office.

"Our office continues to be a technology innovator, utilizing various communications tools, social media and now Google Home and Amazon Alexa, to connect and engage with Iowans," said Chief Information Officer Jeff Franklin. "I look forward to incorporating this technology in more of our services in the near future."

The Google and Amazon Skills were developed for the State of Iowa by Webspec Design. The State is using the LogMeIn Bold360 chatbot product on Iowa.gov and many agency websites.

Here are some common questions that are Alexa and Google Home Compatible:

- Ask the State of Iowa How can I pay my speeding ticket online?
- Ask the State of Iowa Where do I mail my tax return?
- Ask the State of Iowa How do I register to vote?
- Ask the State of Iowa How do I get a copy of my birth certificate?
- Ask the State of Iowa What's on the Governor's schedule today?
- Ask the State of Iowa How do I contact the Governor's Office?

Great River names scholarship winners

WEST BURLINGTON - Twelve \$1,000 scholarships were given in two categories. Scholarships for high school seniors were awarded to:

Grace Dupuis, Notre Dame High School, pre-pharmacy, University of Iowa

Jamie Gerhardt, Burlington Community High School, nursing, University of Iowa; Zakkary Getz, West Burlington Arnold High School, pre-pharmacy, Drake University; Makenna Hall, Central Lee High School, pre-medicine, University of Iowa; Bailey Hollis,

Hamilton (Illinois) High School, human physiology, University of Iowa; Elyse Pothitakis, Holy Trinity High School, nursing, University of Iowa; Elizabeth Swafford, Winfield-Mount Union High School, medical science, Kirkwood Community College

Continuing-college scholarship winners are:

Hannah Delaney, speech pathology, Marquette University - Lauren Galvin, speech pathology, University of Northern Iowa; Riley Messinger, nursing, Mount Mercy University; Marshall Rupe, health

and human psychology, University of Iowa; and Eric Shipley, family nurse practitioner, Graceland University

The recipients of two additional Great River Friends scholarships at Southeastern Community College will be announced later this spring.

Great River Friends is a community of donors and volunteers that supports Great River Health System with the gifts of time, talent and treasure. For more information, please call Great River Medical Center Volunteer Services at 319-768-3340.

NLCHS aids in 2nd printing of Chronicles

PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - The "Chronicles of Fort Madison" was so well received in December that the author Dr. John Hansman agreed to have a second printing and the books arrived at the North Lee County Historic Center in the Old ATSF Depot last week.

This second printing was made possible from large grant from the Sheaffer Foundation and assisted by funds from the North Lee County Historical Society.

The first printing of 300 books sold out within a week in December, prompting the historical society to gather 300 more names of area residents and past residents of Fort Madison area and convince Hansman to allow the group to raise funds for a second printing.

It took a couple months but 400 "Chronicles of Fort Madison" are now available for purchase at the Historic Center.

About forty copies were mailed out Saturday to many who have prepaid, with postage, and they should receive the books later this week.

Andy Andrews, president of the North Lee County Historical Society said the book is probably the greatest history book of the Fort Madison area published since the 1887 Lee County History book.

Other than the 302 that preordered the book at \$60.00 the going price now is \$65 plus postage of \$10 if mailed by the society. Andrews said all books may be sold by 2020 if not earlier.

Extra volunteers have been recruited by the society to assist with the distribution this week.

The museum is open 7 days a week from 10 am-4pm Monday thru Saturday and noon-4 pm on Sundays and survives on donations from visitors and membership dues of \$25.00 per year. The Society cares for four buildings in the depot complex, the 1887 Old Lee County Jail, Brush College along Augusta Road and the War of 1812 National Register Battlefield site at 4th & Avenue H.

Several states in USDA program

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and Traill counties in North Dakota, Deuel and Grant counties in South Dakota, and Buffalo, La Crosse, Pepin and Trempealeau counties in Wisconsin, are also eligible to apply for emergency loans.

Physical loss loans can help producers repair or replace damaged or destroyed physical property essential to the success of the agricultural operation, including livestock losses. Examples of property commonly affected include essential farm buildings, fixtures to real estate, equipment, livestock, perennial crops, fruit and nut bearing trees, and harvested or stored crops and hay.

Congressional art contest begins today

Voting will run through April 30 at 5 p.m.

PCC STAFF

WASHINGTON D.C. - I am pleased to announce that voting for the 2019 Congressional Art Contest has begun! The high school student you

select as the 2019 People's Choice Award winner will represent Iowa's Second District and have his or her art work displayed for one year in the tunnel leading to the U.S. Capitol.

There is no doubt that it is going to be a tough choice for you to make. With so many talented artists in our high schools, you have a lot of high quality pieces to choose from.

Online voting is very simple. Click here, scroll through to view the entries and then choose from the list at the bottom to select which you think is the best. Voting is now

open and will close, Tuesday, April 30th at 5:00pm CDT.

Don't delay, **CLICK HERE** and vote today!

Also, please feel free to forward this email and share the link on your Facebook and Twitter feeds to encourage your friends and family to vote as well.

I am looking forward to seeing what art work you pick!

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Sports/Local News

Bloodhound boys back to winning ways

PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – After facing some stiff competition at the Pella Invitational this past weekend, the Fort Madison Bloodhounds are back to winning handily against local competition.

On Tuesday, at the Fort Madison High School tennis courts, the Hounds downed Fairfield 8-1 in boys high school tennis action.

The match of the day took place at No. 5 singles where the Hounds' Bryce Workman fought off a pesky Brian Parcell of Fairfield in two-set marathon where Workman won a 7-6 first set on a 7-2 tiebreaker.

Workman would lose the second set 3-6, but would outlast Parcell 10-7 in the tiebreaker to take the match.

At No. 6 singles Levi Sissel suffered the only loss on the day for Fort Madison falling 1-6, 5-7 to Fairfield's Michael Holt.

On the No. 1 court, Fort Madison's Sam Avery won easily 6-0, 6-2 over the Trojans' AJ Greiner. Jason Thurman rolled to a 6-2, 6-3 win over Noel Peterson. Thurman's brother Vasin Thurman won 6-2, 6-2 over Will Sheppard.

At No. 4, Reed Fehseke won over Blake Holden 7-5, 6-2.

In doubles action, the Thurman's are building a reputation as being the team to beat in southeast Iowa dumping Griener and Sheppard 6-0, 6-1. In the first two doubles contests the Hounds gave up just 2 games.

The No. 2 doubles duo of Avery and Fehseke dropped Peterson and Holden matched the Thurmans with a 6-0, 6-1 win. Workman and Sissel battled Parcell and Holt to a two-series.

The boys finished fourth at this weekend's Pella Invitational. Jason and Vasin Thurman took runner-up honors in doubles action. The two, just sophomores, qualified for the state tennis meet and took 8th place overall.

The boys will play again on Thursday when they travel to Keokuk for a Southeast Conference match up



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



At top, Fort Madison sophomore Vasin Thurman tracks down a backhand in action Thursday at the Fort Madison High School courts. The Bloodhounds won 8-1 over Fairfield after a rough weekend at Pella High School. Above, Thurman keeps a ball in play as he approaches the net in his match with Will Sheppard.

Hancock County authorities plan Rx take-back day

PCC STAFF

Hancock County Law Enforcement is taking back unwanted prescription drugs April 27 at numerous sites across Hancock County, Illinois.

On Saturday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Carthage Police, Dallas City Police, Hamilton Police, La Harpe Police, Hancock County Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration will give the public its 17th opportunity in nine years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs.

Bring your pills for disposal to Dallas City Hall at 120 W. First St, Dallas City, Hamilton Police Department at 1010 Broadway, Hamilton, La Harpe City Hall at 207 E Main St, La Harpe, and Hancock County Sheriff's Office at 98 Buchanan St, Carthage. (Sites cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last fall Americans turned in nearly 460 tons (more than 900,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at more than 5,800 sites operated by the DEA and almost 4,800 of its state and local law enforcement partners.

Overall, in its 16 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in almost 11 million pounds—nearly 5,500 tons—of pills. This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse.

Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

Administration's National Survey on Drug Use and Health shows year after year that the majority of misused and abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including someone else's medication being stolen from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 27 Take Back Day event, go to www.DEATakeBack.com.

Community Garden needs help

FORT MADISON - RSVP/United Way of the Great River Region is seeking Community Garden Volunteers.

Do you like to garden and work outdoors?

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Avenue L, Fort Madison, Iowa behind Hy-Vee).

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Fort Madison Community School District 1930 Avenue M Minutes of the Public Hearing April 11, 2019

I. The public hearing was called to order by President Wondra at 6:05 p.m. Directors Hope, Ross, DiPrima and Hotop were present. Also present was Dr. Slater, Superintendent and Director of Curriculum and Student Services Harmon.

II. Approve the agenda. It was moved by Ross and seconded by DiPrima to approve the agenda. The motion passed on a 5-0 voice vote.

III. Hours / Days of instruction for the 2019-2020 school year.

IV. Receive written com-

ments. President Wondra asked for any written comments. There were none.

V. Receive oral comments. President Wondra asked for any oral comments. There were none.

VI. Adjourn. The public hearing was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Tim Wondra, Board President

April 11, 2019

Sandra Elmore, Board Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. D-52

AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 3, AND TITLE 6, CHAPTER 4,

SECTION 3 OF THE FORT MADISON MUNICIPAL CODE CON-

CERNING THE RENTAL HOUSING UNIT DEFINITION AND FORM OF NUISANCE NOTICE

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Fort Madison, Iowa:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Fort Madison does hereby amend Title 3 "BUILDING", Chapter 5 "HOUSING CODE", Section 3 "DEFINITIONS" of the Fort Madison Municipal Code by removing the definition:

RENTAL HOUSING UNIT: ...

And adding:

"RENTAL HOUSING UNIT: A single unit of residence for a single house-

keeping unit of one or more persons, which is being rented, or is intended to be rented. Examples of housing units covered by this chapter include apartment units, condominiums, duplexes and single-family houses. "Rental housing unit" also includes other types of residential units that provide for sleeping accommodations but bathing or cooking facilities are shared by occupants of more than one unit, such as residential or single room occupancy hotels. This does include all residential units registered and rented through online websites like www.booking.com, www.airbnb.com and similar. This does not include units used for lodging such as dormitories, group homes, rooming or boarding houses, hotels, motels, and bed and break-

fast inns only if said lodging units are already inspected by the fire department for life safety inspection."

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Fort Madison does hereby amend Title 6 "Health and Sanitation", Chapter 4 "Nuisances", Section 3 "Abatement by the City", Paragraph (2)(a) "Form of Notice" of the Fort Madison Municipal Code by removing said section in it's entirety.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional,

such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, or any section, provision, or part thereof not judged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council this 16th day of April, 2019.

/s/Bradley A Randolph, Mayor

ATTEST: /S/Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE WEST POINT
CITY COUNCIL
WEST POINT, IOWA
52656
APRIL 8, 2019**

Mayor Paul Walker called the properly noticed regular meeting of the City Council of the City of West Point to order in the Conference Room of the Public Library, 317 Fifth Street, West Point, Iowa 52656 on April 8, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. In addition to Mayor Walker, the following indicated Council Members were present: Joe Loving; Brian Meierotto; Will Stuekerjuergen; Dan Waters; and, Bruce Wellman. Absent: None. On motion opened public hearing on lagoon improvement project. On motion closed public hearing on lagoon improvement project. On motion adopted Resolution No. 764-19 awarding contract to Fye Excavating, Inc. for the lagoon improvement project. Approved Bunny Hop be held April 20, 2019 by consensus. Community Club representatives updated the Council on recent RAGBRAI details. Holy Trinity Catholic School construction project representatives addressed the Council regarding the progress of the build and requested funds from the City to cover sidewalk and street paving to help offset costs. Upon invitation Police Chief Brad Roberts presented the police department report. Mayor reported on the following: Heifers, Hogs & Hens will be held April 13, 2019; Fireworks annual fish fry will be held on April 19, 2019 at the American Legion; a roadside cleanup will be held on April 27, 2019; and, annual city-wide yard sale will be held on June 8, 2019. Mayor reported meeting date and time for upcoming meetings of Library Board; Municipal Utility Board; and, next regular Council Meeting of May 13, 2019. Upon invitation Dennis McGregor presented the City Administrator's report. Upon invitation Councilor Stuekerjuergen invited the community to attend the Fireworks fish fry. On motion set hearing on budget amendment for May 13, 2019. On motion approved liquor license application for Aggie's on the Square with outdoor service. On motion minutes of prior regular Council Meeting of March 11, 2019 were approved as presented. On motion Treasurer's Report for March 2019 was approved as presented. On motion warrants payable for April 2019 were approved as presented. On motion meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m., April 8, 2019.

**EXPENDITURES FOR
MARCH, 2019**

Archie's, services	130.56
Auditor of State, fee	125.00
Baker & Taylor, books	290.33
City Clerk – FM, fees	320.00
Cullen Construction, sand	189.39
Daily Democrat, publications	100.25
Delta Dental, premiums	109.22
Ebert Supply, supplies	104.35
Floyd's E-Z-Way, trash hauling	40.00
Fullenkamp Insurance, premiums	24978.42
Garden & Associates, engineering	3161.56
GRRWA, fees	432.00
GWorks, fees	50.00
Holtkamp Automotive, services	239.00
Holtkamp Dawn, mileage	14.79
Ia Assoc Muni Utilities, dues	371.00

IAWEA Region 6, fees	120.00
Ideal Ready Mixed, sand	43.31
Interstate All Battery, batteries	24.60
Iowa Prison Industries, signs	127.55
J&M Korner, fuel	3.01
L J Neuweg Rental, fee	65.00
Lance Surveying Services, fees	1430.00
Mastercard, supplies etc	145.44
McFarland-Swan, supplies	22.04
McMillen Bryor, reimb	30.01
Mediacom, telephone	270.37
Menke Professional Auto, supplies	71.01
Menke Suzanne, library assistance	36.00
Paul's Plumbing, services	165.00
Per Mar Security, services	274.17
Petty Cash, supplies	128.72
Pilot Grove Savings Bank, loan	21882.45

Pranger Mary Jane, cleaning	120.00
Ricoh USA, copier	149.35
Staples Credit Plan, office furniture	344.97
Sun Life Financial, premiums	243.82
SYNCB/Amazon, supplies	91.01
Ted Wiegand CPA, fees	2050.00
Treasurer – St of IA, taxes	172.00
U S Cellular, telephone	69.91
Van Meter, lights	346.67
Wellmark BC/BS, premiums	2871.89
West Point & St Paul Fire, allotment	347.28
West Point Lumber, supplies	3.58
West Point Utilities, utilities	3067.76
Wex Bank, fuel	474.67
Windstream, telephone	369.79
Winfield Public Library, book	15.00

FUND: PREV BAL, RCPTS, DSBSD, CUR BAL: Gen Govt: 302587.11, 15173.61, 78234.76, 239525.96; Grants: 20905.10, 21882.45, 21882.45, 20905.10; Cap Equip: 4127.06, ---, ---, 4127.06; Lib County: 7701.75, 1482.72, 299.83, 8884.64; Lib Mem: 16338.32, 56.65, 408.39, 15986.58; Road Use: 9723.08, 8507.38, 8450.94, 9779.52; LOS: ---, 7186.29, 7186.29, ---; Sewer: 47464.26, 13070.32, 15623.71, 44910.87; Landfill: 259.53, ---, ---, 259.53

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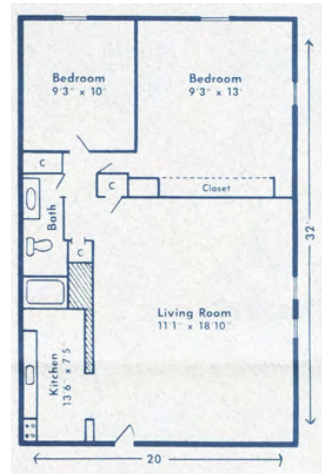
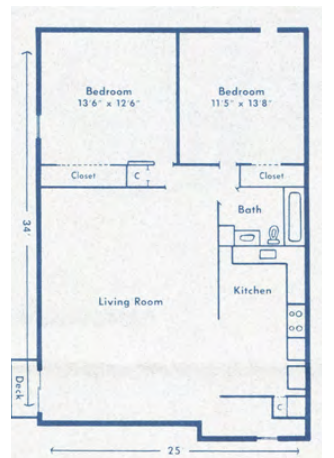
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Crime lab can't identify substance that sickened ISP staffer

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Authorities haven't nailed down what substance was allegedly applied to a staffer's bottle of eye drops at the Iowa State Penitentiary Friday, April 5.

The staff member became extremely ill after coming into contact with an unknown substance that is believed to have come from the eye drops. The staffer was taken to Fort Madison Community Hospital and other staff was quickly quarantined, according to ISP officials.

The substance was contained and forwarded to the Iowa Department of Criminal Investigations' Crime Lab in Ankeny

Cord Overton, a spokesman for the Iowa Department of Corrections, said Tuesday, the techs at the crime lab were not able to detect any foreign substances.

"The lab tested the substance for a variety of well-known narcotic chemical elements, and none of the tests came back positive," Overton said Tuesday afternoon.

He said the lab notified Iowa DOC officials on April 15 of the results.

Overton couldn't speak to the type of tests the lab ran, but said they tested the substance thoroughly with no positive results.

The incident is still under investigation by the DOC officials.

Volunteers up from 2018 event

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impact, such as window sill replacement and work on soffits.

Volunteers pick up from that point and do powerwashing, scraping, sanding, and finally painting. Donations are used to help purchase supplies and equipment for the projects.

"Donations were about the same," Gobble said. "We set a budget and looked at what we had last year and maintained that income line. But these

homes aren't requiring as much, so that will help meet our budget."

"We basically made sure each had the same number of individuals helping. As the houses get done, we may seek some additional help at the other locations," he said.

"I've always liked the program, it's just a matter of getting the word out. Toughest thing this year was getting the houses."



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

From left to right, Alisa Kindig, Amanda Alexander, and Becky Hunter start painting the house at 4415 Avenue L.



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Community Action Network's Tom Richert removes paint from the wood trim on the home on Avenue Q Tuesday morning.

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