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Partners looking to expand Paint-A-Thon in 2019

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – This is your company's next team-building exercise.

Fort Madison Partners is again taking on homes for an April Paint-A-Thon in Fort Madison and Executive Director Tim Gobble said volunteers are the key to making the program a success.

"Last year we had about 40 people volunteer and we were able to do some minor repairs, caulking, and painting to spruce up two homes in the city," he said.

"The reaction of those homeowners was tear-filled, and they were very humbled by the efforts of everyone."

Volunteers work on a house in the 500 block of Avenue D during the 2018 Paint-A-Thon. Courtesy photo.

Gobble said he hopes to expand on the program this year and in years

going forward. This year's event will take place from April 22 through April 27.

GOBBLE

Homes that are owned and occupied by residents over the age of 60, that are single story or small 1 1/2 story, in need of paint and located within the city limits qualify for the program. Homeowners must have limited income and be unable to afford commercial painting, but show a desire to maintain the appearance of the home will be considered. Homeowners are

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they were very humbled by the efforts of everyone."

-Tim Gobble,

FM Partners, Executive Director applying to have the exteriors of their homes scraped

and painted.

Paint is being supplied this year by Kempker's True Value & Rental Inc., who is again, the Premiere Sponsor of the Paint-A-Thon.

"We're looking at doing a minimum of two more homes this year and we would like to add a third. It just depends on the amount of people we get to help again."

Gobble said other communities do Paint-A-Thon's as well and the best format is to have teams working on each house throughout the week with a point person for each team.

"That we can have one point-of-contact for each team and scheduling and communication are much

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Courtesy phot

Volunteers work on a home as part of the 2018 Fort Madison Partners' Paint-A-Thon. Plans are underway for this year's event set for April 22nd-27th.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

\$2 Million and going

Members of the Lee County Chapter of Pheasants Forever were presented with a plaque signifying the Chapter has donated more than \$2 million to local preservation efforts. The Chapter's annual dinner is this Saturday and tickets are still available by contacting Rick Tebbs at 319-463-7673

FMHS, HTC send 26 students to state speech contest

PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – The Holy Trinity Speech Team and Fort Madison High School speech students competed at IHSSA District contests on February 23 and 26 students advanced to the State Contest to be held at North Scott High School on March 9.

Those receiving a Division "I" rating and earning the right to compete at "State" are senior Sam Avery, Spontaneous Speaking (Sam is a two-time "All State" performer); juniors – Claire Graham, Prose; Ryan Otte, Radio News; Jayde Watznauer, Poetry; sophomores – Danny Caruso, Acting; Elizabeth Ebbing, Literary Program; Brandon Jarvis, Original Oratory; Ava Peitz, Prose; Annabelle Scheetz, Poetry; John

Stinson, Literary Program; freshmen – Lucy Graham, Review; Jack Malinski, Spontaneous Speaking; Alexis Stalcup, Expository Address; and Exchange Student Adam Kit, Expository Address.

Other team participants were senior Sterling Barnes, Acting and Story-Telling; freshmen Michael Hellman, Radio News; Mya Schmitz, Review; and Exchange Student Yulu Zhang, Solo Musical Theater. Five of the State bound orators were double entered and received Division "II" ratings in their second event; C. Graham, Solo Musical Theater; Otte, Prose; Scheetz, Acting; Stinson, Improv. Acting; Watznauer, Solo Musical Theater. The HTC team is proudly coached by Joseph Harmon.

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Obituaries/Celebrations

OBITUARIES

STEVEN J. HARMEYER

Steven J. Harmeyer, 49, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 11:09 AM on Monday, February 25, 2019 at his home.

He was born on January 12, 1970 in Ft. Madison to Norbert and Donna Krogmeier



HARMEYER

Harmeyer. On September 17, 2004 he married Rosalinda Martinez in Ft. Madison. Steve worked in manufacturing for several years at Continental in Mt. Pleasant and also Gleasons. He joined the Iowa Army National Guard on June 12, 1989 and retired with twenty years of service as a Sergeant



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in October of 2008. He was deployed in support of Desert Storm from January 1991-July1991. He was deployed to Iraq in support of Iraqi Freedom from October 2004 through January of 2006. He volunteered to support the border wall mission in California from October 2006 through April 2007. Steve was called up for numerous flood and snow

duties within the state of Iowa as well as a two week deployment to Louisiana in support of Hurricane Gustav.

Steve was a member of Holy Family Parish, NRA, Tri State Gun Club and the American Legion. He loved spending time outdoors doing numerous activities including shooting his guns, four wheeling and coyote hunting. He also enjoyed going to flea markets, gun shows and watching military and western movies. One of Steve's greatest loves was spending time with his friends and family while grilling and drinking beer.

Survivors include his wife, Rosa Harmeyer of Ft. Madison; three daughters, Angel (Joe Lay) Martinez, Sonya Tijerina and Tonya Tijerina all of Ft. Madison; six grandchildren and two great grandchildren; his siblings, Sue (Ron) Keller, Patricia (Rick) Pelham, Jon (Thuy) Harmeyer, Joan (Jerry) Cochrane, Katie (Eric Hanchrow) Drake, Lynn Sandoval, David Harmeyer, Dana Harmeyer; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Norbert and Donna Harmeyer and a brother in law, Ricardo Sandoval.

Friends may call after 2 PM on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory where the family will meet with friends from 4-6 PM. There will be a wake service held at 6 PM following visitation. The funeral mass will be held at 10:30 AM on Friday, March 1, 2019 at Sacred Heart Church with Rev. Joseph Phung officiating. Burial with military rites performed by the Ft. Madison Veterans Honor Guard will be in Soldiers' Circle, Oakland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in his memory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

OBITUARIES

GLORIA GIBERSON

Gloria Giberson, 76, of Hillsboro, Iowa, passed away at 8:09 p.m. Sunday, February 24, 2019, at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

Born on September 25, 1942, in Ada, Minnesota the daughter of Richard John



GIBERSON

and Martha Helen (Rasmussen) Holtkamp. At two years of age, she moved to Van Buren County, Iowa and grew up on a farm there. She graduated in 1960 from Harmony High School. On November 6, 1960, she married Lance Hugh Giberson at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Houghton, Iowa. He preceded her in death on February 16, 2017.

Survivors include one son: Richard Giberson of Waukesha, Wisconsin; one daughter: Shari (Don) Spilman of Ottumwa, Iowa; one grandson: Chase Spilman of Ottumwa, Iowa; one sister: Sharon Reno of Burlington, Iowa; one sister-in-law: Diane (Joseph) Beyers of Naples, Florida; two nieces and two nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband: Lance and brother-in-law: Marc Reno.

Gloria worked as a waitress in Fairfield, Iowa, then at the Sylvania Electric Products factory in Burlington, Iowa. She also worked at the Fairfield Glove Factory and Riverside Plastics in Bonaparte, Iowa. Besides being a homemaker and helping her husband with farming she was also an Avon representative for a time. In 1984, she and Lance moved to Winfield, Iowa and started their own business called Country Maid Dairies. They were distributors for Swiss Valley Dairy products throughout southeastern Iowa. They operated their business until Lance's retirement in 1997. She then worked for a time for Lensgraf's and Sunrise Terrace in Winfield. She and Lance traveled to Arizona and Texas during retirement until settling in Mission, Texas during the winter months. In the summer they would come back to Iowa to be with family and go camping with friends.

Gloria was a member of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Farmington. She was an avid reader. She enjoyed visiting with people, traveling, dining out and shopping. Gloria greatly enjoyed watching NASCAR races, basketball and football games. She also enjoyed keeping up with her soap operas. She liked cooking and was always trying out a new recipe. Her family and faith were very important to her.

Friends may call from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 27, 2019, at Schmitz Funeral Home in Farmington, Iowa.

The family will receive friends from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Thursday, February 28, 2019, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Farmington.

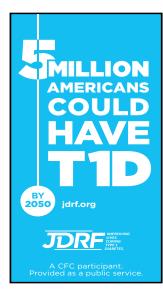
> A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Farmington with Father Dennis Hoffman as celebrant.

Burial will be at Vale Cemetery, Bonaparte, Iowa. Memorials have been established in her memory. Schmitz Funeral Home of Farmington is assisting the family with arrangements. On-line condolences to the family may be made at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com.

Celebrations

ROONEY

IOWA CITY - Mr. and Mrs. Joe and Moriah Rooney are proud to announce the birth of their



daughter Emorie Rooney on Feb. 9, 2019 at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

Grandparents are Pat and Patty Rooney of Donnellson; and Steve and Marsha Hayes of Fort Madison.

Pen City Current congratulates the family on this wonderful news



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Obituaries/For the Record

OBITUARIES

LESLIE LEANN REAL

Leslie Leann Real Jones, 42 of Keokuk, IA died Monday, February 25, 2019 at her

She was born July 22, 1976 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of William and LaNell Brackelsburg Real.



JONES

Leslie graduated from Keokuk High School with the Class of 1994. Leslie lived in Keokuk most of her life. Through the years, she had been employed by several local restaurants and businesses, in addition to owning and operating three businesses of her own.

Leslie loved her boys more than anything and enjoyed spending time with them. They recently enjoyed a memorable trip to the Bahamas. Leslie touched the lives of many, with her warm smile and joyous personality.

She is survived by two sons, Ethan James Jones and William Lynn Jones both of Keokuk, ex-husband, Greg Jones of Keokuk, father, William Real of Brownsville, TX one brother, Dr. Lance (Diana) Real of Quincy, IL, paternal grandparents, Mary and Delbert Real of Keokuk, one nephew, Jackson Real and two nieces, Savannah and Grace Real all of Quincy, IL, eight aunts and many, many cousins.

She was preceded in death by her mother, LaNell Real Chaplin, maternal grandparents, James and Joann Brackelsberg and maternal great-grandmother, Nellie "Liz"

A Gathering of Remembrance will be held from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Friday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with family meeting from friends at that time. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established.

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

Volunteers key to Paint-A-Thon's future growth, success

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more efficient. We get all the prep work done during the week and then we all hit the homes on Saturday to get the painting done," Gobble said.

"Teams of volunteers are needed from businesses, churches, schools, industry, social service, and civic groups, etc. We will need a "Team Leader" to be a contact that can then pass information along to their volunteers (teammates) and help prepare for the home selection process."

Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age (with a signed parental consent form) and all volunteers will need to sign a waiver to participate.

The program begins with identifying homes from applications for the program. Community Action Network officials will qualify homes and inspect them and then volunteers are assigned to scrape, prime, and paint each house during the week. Team leaders coordinate schedules for each home.

Fort Madison Partners is also looking for sponsorships to offset the costs of brushes, drop clothes, water, etc. Partner sponsorships are \$500 and Community Sponsorships are \$250. Sponsors will be included in all marketing materials and on t-shirts made for the event.

For more information on how your group can be involved call the Partners' office at 319-372-5471.

Applications for homeowners can be found at Kempker's True Value & Rental, Inc.; Fort Madison Partners office, Community Action, United Way offices, the Fort Madison Public Library, and at the City Hall in Fort Madison.

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For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

02/25/19 - 8:27 p.m. - Fort

Madison police cited Shawna Virgil, 44, of Fort Madison, in the 4800 block of Avenue O, on a charge of driving under suspension. She was released upon citation. 02/25/19 - 10:20 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 3200 block of Avenue H. 02/25/19 - 11:20 a.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Jacob A. Haage, 25, of Fort Madison in the 1300 block of 31st Street on a charge of driving while suspended. He was released upon citation. 02/25/19 - 3:31 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2000 block of Avenue B. 02/25/19 - 3:42 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2800 block of Avenue N. 02/26/19 - 11:03 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 5400 block of Avenue O. 02/26/19 - 1:31 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a shoplifter in the 1900 block of Avenue H. 02/26/19 – 5:14 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2000 block of Avenue D. 02/26/19 – 2:00 p.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Casey Joe Wolf, 34 of Fort Madison, on a charge of 5th-degree theft. He was released upon citation.

02/26/19 - 8:35 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Treyvin M. Jarrell, 18, of Fort Madison in the 500 block of Avenue G, on a charge of driving under suspension. He was released upon citation. 02/27/19 - 2:31 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Bradly Robert Bohnenkamp, 32 of Fort Madison on a warrant for violation of probation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

02/25/19 - 10:47 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Chad Richard Barker, 40, of Farmington, at the South Lee County Courthouse in Keokuk, on a court-ordered hold. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 02/25/19 - 3:15 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies cited Sandra Anne Shipley, 51, of Burlington, in the 1700 block of Hwy 2. in Donnellson on charge of trespassing. She was released upon citation. 02/25/19 - 4:35 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies cited Troy William Phillips 49, of Burlington in the 1700 block of Hwy. 2, on a charge of trespassing. He was released upon citation. 02/26/19 - 7:53 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Corey Parsons Hollingsworth, 41, of New London, at the sheriff's office on a judgment hold. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 02/26/19 - 2:17 p.m. - Lee

County Sheriff's deputies arrested Steven Wesley Spoores, Jr., 30 of Keokuk, in the 3600 block of 235th Avenue, on warrants for assault with injury, speeding (3x) eluding at speeds over 25 mph over the speed limit, no proof of insurance, reckless driving, failure to yield, providing law enforcement false identification, driving under suspension, no registration, possession of a controlled substance, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd offense. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 02/26/19 – 2:41 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested David James Markell, 23, of Keokuk in the 3600 block of Keokuk on a a charge of accessory after the fact. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 02/27/19 - 1:01 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Cory Jacob Porter, 24. of Fort Madison, in Des Moines County, on a charge of failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on bond. Those listed above are presumed innocent under lowa law until proven guilty in a court of law.

Fort Madison Fire & **Rescue Report**

02/25/19 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded to four medical calls, one false alarm and one vehicle accident. 02/26/19 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded to four medical calls, one smoke alarm and one odor of gas.

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- Full Day Pre-Kindergarten Program in Ft. Madison
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- Friday, March 8th at HTC
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Lee County Attorney's Office has an immediate opening for the collections clerk position (40 hours per week).

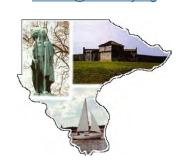
The position's successful applicant is preferred (but not required) to have the following:

- 1. Completion of some college level administrative support courses or any equivalent combination of training and experience.
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- 11. Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
- 12. Ability to multi-task.
- 13. Ability to communicate with others using tact and diplomacy.
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- 16. Must be able to travel to North Lee County Office and/ or courthouse on occasion.

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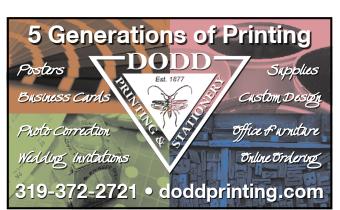
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FORT MADISON – The following is a list of events and happenings going on in Fort Madison as submitted to the Pen City Current.

State Farm – Thomas Klann **Agency announces February** "Quotes for Good"

State Farm - Thomas Klann Agency is excited to help out another Non-Profit Organization in our community. In February 2019 we will be giving back to Lee County K-9 Association by donating \$5 for every new Auto Insurance Quote in the month of February 2019. So tell all your non-State Farm family/friends/coworkers to reach out to us for a quote and share this event to spread



the word! If you are a current State Farm auto insurance customer, reach out to us for a Life Insurance or Disability Income conversation and we will donate \$5 for that also. Contact Jess or Sam at 319-372-5982, 2623 Ave L Fort Madison, or email: jess@fortmadisoninsurance.com or samantha@ fortmadisoninsurance.com.

Evening with Chuck Long

Former Iowa standout and NFL quarterback Chuck Long will be at Sheaffer Memorial Golf Course on Thursday Feb. 28, 2019 for a presentation, including a social hour and dinner with doors opening at 4:30. The social hour and dinner will be from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Long will speak at 6 p.m. with a question and answer to follow. For more information, contact Ryan at 319-528-6214 or by email at mcmillan@sheaffergolf.com.

RiverFest Line-Up Reveal Party

The 2019 RiverFest Line-Up Reveal party will be held on March 2 beginning at 8 p.m. RiverFest's 2019 entertainment lineup will be revealed and Ghost of Judas will be playing. Raffles, Ticket sales and giveaways are planned for the event.

United Way Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser

The United Way of the Great River Region is hosting it's 9th annual Spaghetti Dinner at the Hawkeye Restaurant on March 11. Carry out or dine-in options available. Serving times are from 5 p.m. to 6:30, and 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information contact Director Karen Thie at 319-524-4504.

St. Patrick's Day celebration

The Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce will be holding a St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 16 including a parade, games, music and fun. Parade





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Fort Madison YMCA's Shamrocked 2019

The 2nd annual Shamrocked will be held on March 16 starting at 8 a.m. with a free-will donation pancake breakfast, followed by a Bike & Brew after the St. Patrick's Holiday Parade. For more information, contact the YMCA at 372-2403.

Murder Mystery Dinner Theater

The Fort Madison High School Music Department will be presenting it's annual Dinner Theater on March 22-23. Doors open at 6 p.m with the show beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets available at Dana Bushong's at 805 Avenue G.

Senior Community BINGO at The Kensington

Each month on the second Wednesday of the month, The Kensington hosts Senior Community BINGO at 2 p.m. in their dining room at 2210 Avenue H in Fort Madison. All seniors are welcome and cash prizes are awarded.

Caregivers Connection at The Kensington

The Kensington hosts this monthly gathering to help educate attendees about all dementia types. Held at noon the 4th Tuesday of every month in The Kensington's private dining room, 2210 Avenue H in Fort Madison. Call 319-372-4233 to RSVP or for more information. The next luncheon will be held January 22, 2019.



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Letters to the Editor/Weather

From left to right are the HTC state speech qualifiers; Alexis Stalcup, Brandon Jarvis, Claire Graham, Elizabeth Ebbing, Danny Caruso, Lucy Graham, Sterling Barnes, Adam Kit, John Stinson, Ava Peitz, Ryan Otte, Jack Malinski, Michael Hellman, Jayde Watznauer, and Mya Schmitz. Not pictured are Sam Avery, Yulu Zhang, and Annabelle Scheetz.



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Students to compete March 9th at North Scott

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At Fort Madison High School, "I" ratings went to Claire Hellman Solo Musical Theatre, and Prose; Shyanna Hoenig-Rippenkroeger in Poetry, and Prose; Ellie Baxter in Improvisational Acting; Korinna Kettle in Spontaneous Speaking, Aniah Ross in Solo Musical Theatre, and Prose; Makayla Eastin in Poetry; Nathan Rose in Improvisational Acting; and Zina Johnstun in Solo Musical Theater, and Poetry.

Baxter also got a "II" rating in StoryTelling. All "I" ratings earned an advancement to the state meet at North Scott on March 9.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

FMHS cake auction was big hit

Dear Editor:

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Sincerely, Fort Madison Athletic Boosters

5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

THU 28 Feb



Clear High– 16.8° F | Low – 9.8° F

FRI 1 Mar



Light Snow
High− 25.5° F | Low − 17.0° F

SAT 2 Mar



Light Snow
High- 16.9° F | Low - 5.7° F

SUN 3 Mar



Light Snow
High- 7.6° F | Low - 4.2° F

MON 4 Mar



Light Snow High- 15.5° F | Low - 13.5° F

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