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More than 900 meals served

More than 20 businesses donated items

> BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON -More than 900 residents were treated to a hot meal with family and friends on Thanksgiving thanks

to the efforts of many local volunteers and the generosity of many local businesses.

This year's event was held at the Fort Madison High School and featured two days of volunteer prep work and a half day on Thanksgiving of serving and delivering meals.

"It was a great couple of days. The community really came together for this. We couldn't have

done it without all of the donations, the hard work of the committee, as well as all of the amazing volunteers who helped us make this possible," said Savanna Collier, who helped oversee her first event as the Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce Coordinator. "It was a lot of hard work, but well worth it."

Committee member Gerri Barnett said things

are getting to be pretty much routine for the volunteers.

"I think we did very well. We always seem to think we're going to be short on things, but there were a good number of volunteers," Barnett said. "We were a bit thin on Wednesday but I think we've got that figure out for next year."

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Girls from the Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois Girl Scouts were on hand at Saturday's Mistletoe on Main Street annual holiday event in Madison. Fort The girls peddled girls scout food items and offered some hot beverages to shoppers.

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Tickets on sale for Fort Madison Day

Bus ticket to Hawkeye Game just \$5 extra

FORT MADISON -Tickets are still available to enjoy a University of Iowa men's basketball game for Fort Madison Day at Carver Hawkeye Arena. This year, we will cheer on the Hawkeyes as they take on the North-

ern Illinois Huskies on Friday, Dec. 29th at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at the Fort Madison Partners office, located at 614 9th Street until November 30th.

Ticket are available for \$10 for children and \$15



for adults and include a Fort Madison Day t-shirt and entry to the game. The Chamber is also partnering with Burlington Trailways to offer a bus ride to Iowa City for the

game. Bus tickets cost \$5 per person.

Tickets and t-shirts will be available before Christmas and will make the perfect gift for that Hawkeye fan in your family.



Beside The Point

Chuck Vandenberg, Pen City Current - Editor

Closing in on one year...still growing, still learning

Well, it's been a full year since we've started the Pen City Current.

I can say without a doubt, it's been a really wild ride. Not without it's hiccups, but the reward has been worth the effort. I talk with people in the journalism field on a regular basis and take their counsel as we plan which direction we're going with this crazy thing. 2018 should be a fun and exciting second year.

The plan was not to dominate a market, but to be an addition to this market. We wanted to provide a free news option with a totally digital, user-friendly platform.

In just 12 months, we've garnered more than 3,600 likes on Facebook and close to 3,800 followers. According to our analytics, we reach approximately 90,000 readers a month through our social platforms and website. The most well read story on the website was the body found at Indian Path Parkway earlier this spring with 22,892 reading that one particular article.

Our Facebook page has reached as many as 27,000 people in a single day and we've also published an article that reached close to 63,000 readers. Our mobile app has been downloaded almost 200 times.

In October, Pen City Current had more than 25,000 visitors to our website for an average of 812 people on our site per day that month and that's only 11 months into our venture. So, needless to say we're very proud of those numbers and expect them only to grow as we continue to work to expand our market and our coverage.

With the first year coming to an end, we will kick off the second year with a subscription/donation drive where we will be setting a goal for 200 \$50 subscriptions in a four-day drive. Beginning Dec.

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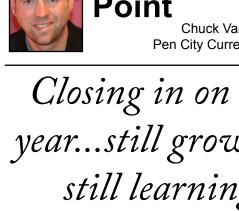
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Obituaries/For the Record

OBITUARIES

VALERIA ANN ROOT

Valeria Ann Root, 83 of Keokuk, IA died Monday, November 27, 2017 at the River Hills Village in Keokuk.

She was born March 3, 1934 in Kirksville, MO the daughter of James and Martha Spriggs Mobley. On September 15, 2006 she was united in marriage to Robert Root. He survives.



She is also survived by six children, C. Steven Baker (Jane) of Maryville, IL, Jo Ann Ready (Allan) of Pella, IA, Stan Baker of Ojai, CA, Diane Bailey (Steve) of Keokuk, Linda Erickson, (Steve) of Des Moines, IA and Mary Reittinger (Tommy Ward) of Ft. Madison, IA, step-children, Steve (Pam) Root of Quincy, IL, Dave (Cindy) Root of Mendon, IL, Kathy (Dick) Kerker of Quincy, IL, Doug (Kathy) Root of Miami, FL, Kevin (Teresa) Root of Quincy, IL, Karen Root of Quincy, IL and Keri (Alan) Thompson of Sigourney, IA, fifteen grand-

children, twelve great-grandchildren, seventeen step-grandchildren and eighteen step-great-grandchildren, one brother, Bill (Margaret) Mobley of Downing, MO, one sister, Susan (Ron) Anderson of Center, MO and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Bob Mobley and Joe Mobley and one step-son, Mike Root.

Val graduated from the Downing High School in 1951. She then earned her Bachelor's Degree from WIU.

Val had been a member of Alcoholics Anonymous for thirty-three years. Val retired from WIU in Macomb Illinois.

In her free time, Val loved to take long drives and travel. She was a history buff and started Antique Schools in Lee County Facebook page.

A funeral service will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, at Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk with Chaplin Gordon Hawkins officiating. Burial will be in the Oakland Cemetery in Ft. Madison, IA at a later date.

Visitation will be held prior to the service Friday, from 5 – 7 pm at the funeral home with family meeting friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to Alcoholics Anonymous Keokuk Chapter. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

Pen City Current obituary policy

The Current runs obituaries 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.

ROGER DALE REUTHER

Roger Dale Reuther, 71, of Ft. Madison passed away on Monday, November 27, 2017 at 2:20 AM at his home.

He was born on March 13, 1946 in Ft. Madison to Dale Reuther and Maxine Vass. On December 21, 1973 he married Pamela Little in Carthage, IL. Roger was a truck driver and also worked for the City of Ft. Madison for several years. He was a former



member of the First Christian Church and the Moose Lodge. He served in the US Army during Vietnam. Roger enjoyed puzzle books, trucking and was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan. His greatest loves were his grand dogs, they were his liveli-



Survivors include his wife, Pam Reuther of Ft. Madison; two sons, Nicholas Reuther of Ft. Madison and Bradley (Ruth) Reuther of Kahoka, MO; his mom, Maxine Cummlander of Fort Madison; two sisters, Sharon Lampley of Ellerbe, NC and Karen Sojka of Washington, IA. He was preceded in death by his father and one brother, Carl.

Friends may call after 2 PM on Thursday, November 30, 2017 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory where the family will meet with friends from 4:30-6:30 PM. Per his wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A private burial with military rites will be held in Soldier's Circle, Oakland

A memorial has been established in his memory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

For the Record

Fort Madison Police report

11/22/17 - 12:30 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Shannon Lee Gorham, 28, of Fort Madison, in the 1500 block of 48th Street on a warrant for contempt. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 11/22/17 - 6:59 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested

Hamilton Eugene Parker, 30, of Fort Madison in the 1100 block of Avenue E, on charges of interference with official acts (2 counts), disorderly conduct, driving suspended, assault on a police officer, assault on a correctional officer and public intoxication 3rd offense. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

11/22/17 - 5:55 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Stevie Rackay Londrie, 27, of Keokuk in the 1200 block of Avenue H, on a charge of driving under suspension. He was released upon citation. 11/23/17 - 7 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Hamilton Eugene Parker, 30, no address

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THU 30 Nov



Moderate Rain High- 59.8° F | Low - 44.4° F

FRI 01 Dec



Light Rain High - 44.5° F | Low - 27.2° F

SAT 02 Dec



Clear Skies High- 46.6° F | Low - 35.2° F

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OBITUARIES

GERTRUDE M. HUNDT

Gertrude M. Hundt, 94, of Ft. Madison passed away on Sunday, November 26, 2017 at 12:10 PM at The Kensington.

She was born on July 3, 1923 in Ft. Madison to Harry and Esther Bueter Patten. On October 20, 1945 she married Carl F. Hundt in Ft. Madison and he passed away on October 21, 2008. Gertrude was a homemaker and had previously worked at



Sheaffer Pen. Co, JCPenney and also taught school at Sacred Heart Grade School. She was a member of Sacred Heart Church and the Altar & Rosary Society and was also an avid golfer.

Survivors include one son, James (Michelle) Hundt of Goodyear, AZ; one daughter, Kathleen (Gary) Lampe of Rock Island, IL; two grandsons, Geoff (Tammy) Lampe of DeWitt, IA and Brian (Angela) Lampe of Davenport, IA; three great granddaughters, Kayla and Alyssa Lampe of DeWitt and Penny Lampe of Davenport; two sisters,

Mary Sokolik of Des Moines and Lois Delaney of Ft. Madison.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband; two sisters, Dorothy Kipp and Rita Sokolik and one brother, Jay Patten.

The funeral mass will be held at 11 AM on Friday, December 1, 2017 at Sacred Heart Church with Reverend Mark P. Spring officiating. The family will meet friends from 10 AM until the time of the service at 11 AM at the church A rosary will be recited at 9:30 AM prior to the visitation. Burial will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established for Holy Trinity Catholic Schools and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

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given, at the Lee County Jail on a charge of 5th-degree theft. He was held in custody. 11/23/17 - 8:07 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 800 block of Avenue F. 11/23/17 - 11:52 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1000 block of Avenue H. 11/23/17 - 2:02 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism on Sunnyside Drive. 11/23/17 - 10:01 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Michael Brain Woodall, 39,

of Des Moines, in the 3000 block of Avenue N, on a charge of public intoxication 2nd offense and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was taken to the Lee County Jail. 11/23/17 - 10:32 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Michael Blint, 42, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 15th Street and Avenue H, on a charge of reckless driving, no driver's license and open container. He was released upon citation 11/23/17 - 11:58 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 500 block of 15th Street.

11/24/17 - 1:11 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report property damage accident in the 2400 block of Avenue E. 11/24/17 - 3:30 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Sarah Rose Dawson, 27, of Fort Madison, in the 2400 block of Avenue E, on a charge of OWI-1st offense and failure to maintain control. She was released on a promise to appear. 11/24/17 - 12:42 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1900 block of Avenue D.

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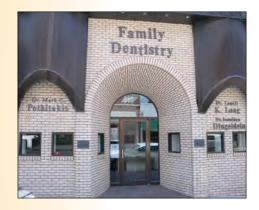
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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE **Fort Madison** Community School District 1930 Avenue M Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** November 20, 2017

I. The meeting was called to order by President Wondra at 6:00 p.m. Directors Ross, Troxel, Young and Hope were present. Director DiPrima participated via telephone. Also present were Superintendent Slater, Director of Curriculum and Student Services Harmon and Secretary Elmore. Director Hotop was absent.

II. Recognition of guests. President Wondra welcomed members of the audience in attendance and explained the procedures for the meeting.

III. Reading of Foundation documents. The Board read and reviewed the Foundation documents consisting of the Vision, Mission and Belief statements and the Goals for the Fort Madison Community School District.

IV. Monthly communications

A. Student Rep report. Aniah Ross and Max Slater shared recent and upcoming events taking place at the Fort Madison High School.

B. Curriculum Corner. Several teachers who recently attended the PLC Institute conference shared their experiences with the PLC institute training.

C. "Did You Know?" The "Did You Know?" document was reviewed and accepted as presented.

D. Superintendent Goal Report. Superintendent Slater provided an update to the board on the Board of Director's goals. These indicators of progress happening at the building level will be reported monthly by Superintendent Slater as recorded and discussed in Administrative Council.

E. District Presentations FFA national Convention Presentation - Bonnie Peterson-Slee and several FFA students shared their experiences from their recent attendance at the FFA National Convention.

Tech Plan Presentation − 5 Year Plan – Sebastian Siefert. Director of Technology Sebastian Seifert reviewed and discussed the 5 Year Plan for Technology with the Board.

General Obligation Bond Discussion - The Board participated in a discussion around the scenarios related to a General Obligation Bond referendum.

V. Approve the agenda. It was moved by Young and seconded by Hope to approve the agenda as amended. Item VIIIB6 was moved to Item IVE –District Presentations. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

VI. Consent agenda. It was moved by Ross and

seconded by Troxel to approve the consent agenda as presented. The consent agenda consisted of minutes from the October 16, 2017 regular meeting and the November 6, 2017 work session; financial reports for the monthly balance sheet, revenue summary sheet, expenditure report and activity report, accounts payable for the October General Account, November General Account, Student Acitivity and Nutrition Account; resignations from Jared Rehm as JV softball coach and Andrea Crooks as High School Spanish teacher effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year; employment of Mark Kammerer as bus driver, Brooke Wagner as Lincoln associate, Dana Hemann as Holy Trinity associate, Mike Schneider as asst. High School boys track coach (1/2), Chad Hannum as asst. High School boys track coach (1/2), Tony Shiffman as 7th grade girls basketball coach, Ryan Wilson as freshman boys basketball coach (1/2), and Jeremy Beelman as freshman boys basketball coach (1/2); contract modifications for Cindy Tillow as Richardson associate, increase in

VII. Action Items

a 6-0 voice vote.

A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services.

hours and Deb Fuget, Rich-

ardson associate, decrease in

hours. The motion passed on

B. Superintendent.

1. Consider approval of policy changes.

a. 210.2 – Board Meeting Procedures. The Board reviewed policy #210.2. It was moved by DiPrima and seconded by Ross to approve policy #210.2 as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

2. Consider approval of request for travel from Julie Yurko and MS Teachers to attend the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Chicago, Il. The Board reviewed the trip request from Julie Yurko and MS Teachers to attend the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Chicago, IL, November 28 – December 1, 2017. It was moved by Hope and seconded by Troxel to approve the travel request as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

3. Consider approval of request for travel from Susan Johnson and Reading Recovery teachers to attend the Illinois Literacy/Reading Recovery Conference. The Board reviewed the trip request from Susan Johnson and Reading Recovery teachers requesting permission to attend the Illinois Literacy/Reading Recovery Conference in Chicago, IL January 17-19, 2017. It was moved by DiPrima and seconded by Hope to approve the travel request as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

4. Consider approval of SBRC Modified Allowable Growth Application. The Board reviewed the request for SBRC modified allowable growth application for \$441,756. Discussion followed. It was moved by Ross and seconded by DiPrima to approve the SBRC modified allowable growth application for \$441,756 as submitted. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

5. Consider approval of sharing agreements with Holy Trinity for 2018 and 2019 IHSAA football season. The Board reviewed and discussed the sharing agreement with Holy Trinity for 2018 and 2019 IHSAA football season. It was moved by Young and seconded by Ross to approve the sharing agreements with Holy Trinity for the 2018 and 2019 IHSAA football season. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

6. Consider personnel matters. There were none.

C. Board Secretary/Business Manager.

VIII. Discussion Items

A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services

1. Special Education Count. Kim Harmon shared special education count information with the Board. Discussion followed.

Break: 7:43 p.m. End Break: 7:49 p.m.

B. Superintendent.

1. Reviewed policy #500 - 502.3. The board reviewed policy #500 - 502.3. These policies will be brought back at a later meeting for final approval.

Exit DiPrima at 7:54 p.m. Enter DiPrima at 7:55 p.m.

2. Official Enrollment. Superintendent Slater reviewed enrollment information with the Board. Discussion followed.

3. Certified Employee Attendance. The certified staff attendance report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

4. Board Member Attendance. The Board reviewed and discussed the Board Member Attendance report.

5. Schedule December building instructional tour. The Board will tour Lincoln Elementary on December 5th at 10:00 a.m.

6. GO Bond Referendum discussion. Item moved to IVE.

C. Board Secretary/Business Manager.

IX. Comments from the audience. There were none.

X. Legislative update. The Board received a legislative update.

XI. Announcements. Next work session, December 4, 2017, 6:00 p.m. Next regular meeting, De-

cember 18, 2017, 6:00 p.m. XII. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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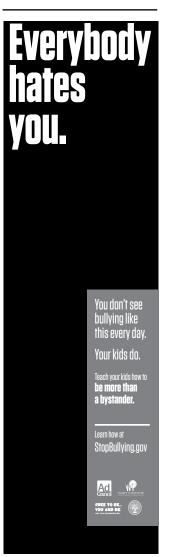


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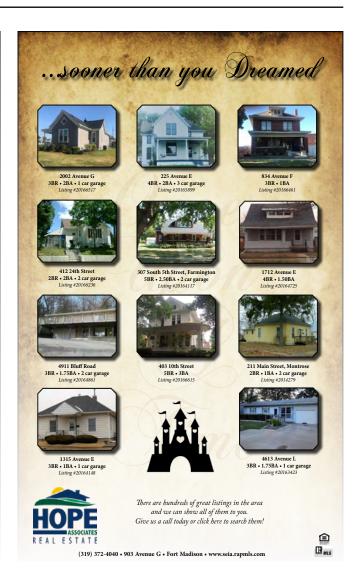


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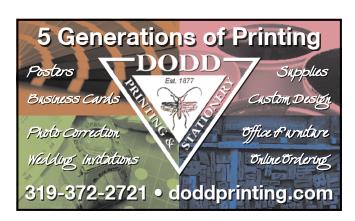
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Plans already forming for 2018 dinner

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Barnett said there were a few glitches in deliveries and carryouts which is not out of the ordinary, but plans are already being discussed on how to iron out the small wrinkles.

"I was very pleased with those that were there. The volunteers are learning how to ease the congestion and were working well together," she said. "It's a reunion of sorts in the community and this is one of the times you can find people that you normally don't get to see - all working side by side."

The event was once again put on with the generous donations of many area businesses including the Pothitakis Law Firm and the Nico Pothitakis Family for their donations of turkeys; the Tri-State Rodeo, the American Legion Post #668 of West Point, DuPont, Pinnacle, Axalta, Scott's Miracle-Gro Company, Huffman's Farm & Home, Fort Madison KFC for corn and containers, Chandler's Restaurant for gelatin, the Fort Madison Knights of Columbus, the Fort Madison Elks Lodge, Fareway Grocery, Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce, Fort Madison Hy-Vee, Edward Jones-Larry Kelch of Fort Madison, Linda Martinez and the Fort Madison High School, the Fort Madison Middle School for artwork and placemats, the Iowa State Penitentiary staff and offenders for help in prep work with potatoes, celery, and onions, Sunnybrook Assisted Living, Matt and Betsy Hayes -Dodd Printing & Stationery, and all the generous pie donations.

This year's event was coordinated by committee members Dianne Hope, Barnett, Lee Vandenberg, Debi Daughters, Carol Arnold, Dennis Mc-Gregor, Bobbi Marshall, Robin Delaney, Craig Wills, Joanne Varley, and Savanna Collier.

For the Record

11/24/17 - 4:41 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2800 block of Avenue A. 11/24/17 - 6:24 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Terry James Schoonover, 47, of Fort Madison, in the 1200 block of Avenue H on charges of intoxication - 2nd or subsequent offense, interference with official acts, and interference with official acts causing injury in the 5400 block of Avenue O. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 11/24/17 - 6:28 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of property damage accident in the 900 block of Avenue G. 11/24/17 - 8:01 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 5200 block of River Valley Road. 11/24/17 - 10:12 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1900 block of Avenue O. 11/24/17 - 11:59 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Codie Joe Twiss, 26 of Fort Madison at Fort Madison Community Hospital on a charge of assaulting a peace officer. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 11/25/17 - 9:57 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in

the 1300 block of Avenue I. 11/26/17 - 4:59 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1400 block of 38th Street. 11/26/17 - 11:29 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Nicholas Donald Wilson, 29, in the 800 block of 13th Street on charge of failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

11/22/17 - 2:00 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Lawrance Bernard Jackson II, 46, of Fort Madison, no location provided, on a warrant for sex offender false information - 1st offense. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on bond. 11/22/17 - 2:58 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Dustin Ray Rogers, 26, of Keokuk, no location provided, on a warrant for possession of methamphetamine less than 5 grams. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 11/22/17 - 4;46 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Raymond Anthony Antone Cullins, 26 of Cedar Rapids, no location provided, on a warrant for violation of probation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 11/22/17 - 8:10 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Hamilton Eugene Parker, 30 of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Sheriff's office on a court hold. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held.

11/23/17 - 5:18 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Charles Stewart Milligan, 50, of Fort Madison in the 2700 block of 242nd Street on a charge of public intoxication. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on a promise to appear. 11/24/17 - 8:45 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jan Seth Vradenburg, 41, of Keokuk, at the Lee County Jail on a judgement hold. He was released for time served. 11/24/17 - 10:40 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Michael Shane Gasaway Jr., 31, of Fort Madison, in the 2700 block of Hwy. 61 on a charge of consumption intoxication - 3rd offense. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on a promise to appear., 11/25/17 - 2:01 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Adam Michael Fraise, 31, of Fort Madison in the 2600 block of Hwy. 2, on a charges of carrying

weapons, 1st-degree harassment and going armed with intent. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on a pre-trial release. 11/26/17 - 11:28 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested William Joseph Helenthal, 49, of Keokuk, in the 1500 block of Exchange Street, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released on bond. 11/26/17 - 8:20 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jayme Thomesa Jenkins, 31, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Sheriff's office, on a warrant for voluntary absence from custody. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue

11/23/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to four medical calls, two lift assists and one single-car rollover 11/24/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to four medical calls, one smoke alarm and one car fire. 11/25/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call and one alarm malfunction. 11/26/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical and one odor complaint.

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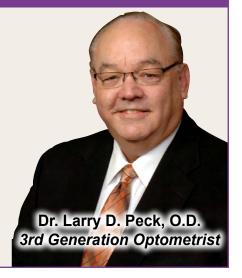
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Year two to kick off with subscription/scholarship drive

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5 through Dec. 8 we'll be reaching out to our readership to help up sustain our efforts. We've had very good relationships with local businesses and have helped them promote their businesses and events and that advertising revenue has helped us build a strong foundation, but our goals are far-reaching. We want to give more coverage to the Donnellson, West Point, and Denmark areas and eventually reach into Keokuk and provide the same #HyperLocalSuper-Fresh news we've been working to provide in Fort Madison.

To that end, we need to know that our subscribers see that value as well. We

are also going to give 15% of our subscription drive back to local high school students in the way of a scholarship fund. If we reach our goal, we would like to offer either \$1,500 in scholarships to a local student or students interested in pursuing a career in media or information services

Here's the funny part. Our website and its news content are free to anyone. So why a subscription drive when you can get the information for free? We believe a subscription, although it does come with morning email alerts and links to our Sunday through Friday E-editions and random giveaways, quantifies the value of our

product to our readers. Subscriptions are easily registered on our website here. Several payment options are available.

Our plans in year two also include increased digital services to our advertisers with innovative approaches to local and regional marketing at rates that reflect the local economy. It is, and always has been, our mission to provide user-friendly advertising and rates that reflect the Fort Madison economy. Our monthly advertising packages have resulted in strong numbers for our advertisers and there is no incremental costs for additional readers. If a story attracts high readership, our

advertisers come along for the ride at no additional

Personally, we're very thankful for the partnerships we've cultivated and for those that have reached out to us, we very much appreciate the value you place in our publication. News sources have been very engaging and forthcoming with news and information. School, governmental agencies, groups and organizations look to us as a way to help spread the word of bake sales, fairs, schedules; businesses have contacted us about openings and we continue to seek out those news stories on a daily basis. And, as always, obituaries are published free of charge, as they come to us without changes.

We've also given back to the community schools,

athletic departments, the Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce with sponsorships and volunteer hours. That's the way it's supposed to work, I think. We don't shy away from the competition but welcome them as partners in news gathering. We've shared photos with other newspapers and television stations without charge because we are all in this

together. I don't even think we have any idea what this next year is going to have in store for us. But we're here, empty nesting... listening to scanners and taking phone calls. I don't have a twin brother...it really is me. And sometimes, because it is just me, I miss things, but things are going well and I hope to have someone else helping in the very

near future to help bring even more news and information to Lee County.

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your readership, support, and patronage.

Here comes year two. By the way, if you hav-

en't had a chance to meet with Geoff Shields of Avenue G Productions, make a point to do so. Geoff grew up in Fort Madison, and he and his wife, Lisa, have opened a video production service right here in Fort Madison. Geoff brings more than two decades of broadcast journalism experience to the area and the couple is very excited about the potential of this community and are all in.

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