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A day at the Fair

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Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



A warm afternoon chased the **BINGO** players into the Learning Center, but area youth were out taking care of the animals. Top right, Abby and **Emily Dingman** give their sheep a cool bath and grooming Above, Yvonne Wilson and Nadine Allen get hopeful at BINGO! and at right, Olivia Tennant gets Josh Hawk's attention as he give his pig a drink.





On tap for Friday

7 a.m. to 9 a.m. - Breakfast by Donnellson organizations in the Learning Center.

9 a.m. - 4-H/FFA Swine Show in the Show Barn

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Lee Cty. Pork Producers lunch in the Learning Center

1 p.m. to 5 p.m. - Kid's Day sponsored by Fort Madison Community Hospital and UnityPoint Health of Keokuk. Games and activities for children. Farmer Bill's Barn, Viele Schoolhouse Crafts/Story, \$25 Carnival Arm Band, 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. - Kenny's Funland Carnival

1 p.m., 3 p.m. & 6 p.m. - Bob Bohms Family Entertainment with magic show, FARMily Feud & Survivor Game Show
1:30 p.m. Lee Cty. Fair 5K Warrior Challenge (junior high 9-14) (seniors 15-18 at 2:30 p.m.)
4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Bingo under the tent
4 p.m. - Paulette's Dance on Connection Bank Stage
5 p.m. Blue Ribbon Diner - Grandstand
6 p.m. - Lee C. Cattlemen's Bucket Bottle Calf Show, Human Foosball - Learning Center
7:30 p.m. - Freestyle Madness Motocross & BMX Throwdown - Grandstand
9 p.m. to 11 p.m. - Teen Dance - Learning Center
9 p.m. to 2 a.m. - Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters in the Entertainment Pavilion

Krogmeier steps down as LeeComm operations director

PSAP to start looking for new candidate today as Krogmeier heads to Des Moines county

> BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY - Just eight months into her tenure as the Director of Operations at LeeComm, Shanna Krogmeier has stepped down to take a similar post in Des Moines County.

Krogmeier's last day was Tuesday and has assigned dispatcher Tony Keefe to fill in on a temporary basis until a formal selection process begins.

Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber is chairman of the Public Service Answering Point (PSAP) board that oversees the LeeComm operations, but was traveling Wednesday and Chief Deputy Will Conlee sat in as his replacement. Conlee said the board will start taking applications to fill the vacated position this week.

"The board's gonna start taking applications for the position on Friday and accept them through August. 3," he said. "They will then review all the applications on Aug. 8."

He said the board will meet again on July 16 to officially name Keefe the Interim Director of Operations until Krogmeier's successor has been selected and is in place.

Prior to her hiring in November, Krogmeier was the assistant director for the Lee County EMS and was recently named an assistant medical examiner in a three-county service agreement with Henry, Lee and Des Moines counties, based out of Great River Health Systems.

"I am thankful for my time at LeeComm and think we set a good course moving forward, but I was presented with a great opportunity that I could not pass up," she said. "I wish them the best moving forward." Krogmeier's was one of approximately 40 applications that were received when the board did a nationwide search to replace previous director Diana Fincher-Smith, who resigned last summer. The PSAP board is made up of Weber, Fort Madison Fire Chief Joey Herren, Keokuk Police Chief Dave Hinton, Fort Madison Police Chief Tim Sittig, and Jason Dinwiddie of the West Point Volunteer Fire Department, and Keokuk Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

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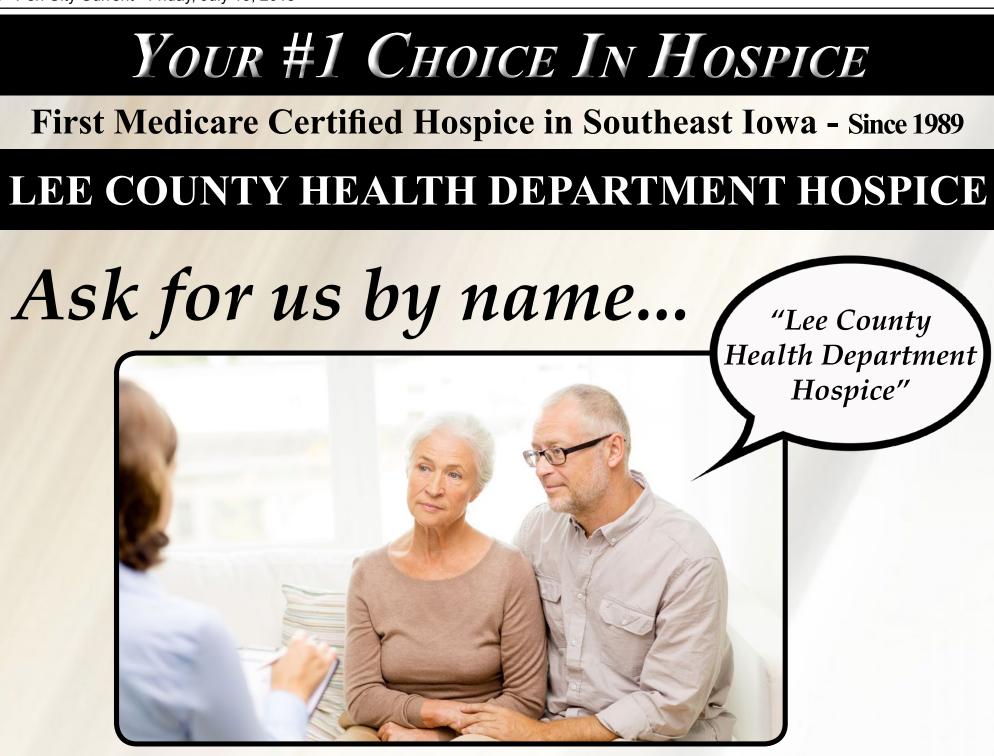
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OBITUARIES

CATHY MARIE JACKSON BUCK

Cathy Marie Jackson Buck, age 59, of Macomb, IL and formerly of Ft. Madison, IA, died Wednesday, July 11, 2018, at 1:44 am in McDonough County Hospital in Macomb.



Cathy was born October 10, 1958 in Saint Louis, Missouri, the daughter of Harry and Loretta Sykes Jackson. Cathy was a graduate of Peoria Heights High School. She worked with special needs children in Peoria and as a teacher's aide for Ft.

Madison public schools until she became disabled. Cathy was an avid fan of Iowa Hawkeye football and Saint Louis Cardinals baseball. She was a member of Madison Baptist Church in Ft. Madison, and she loved to study her Bible every day. However, the most important thing in her life was her grandson, Connor.

BUCK

Survivors include: her son, Jamie (Andrea) Jackson of Quincy, IL; her grandson, Connor; her mother, Loretta Tillman of Jackson, TN;

her brother, Harry (Kathy) Jackson of Findlay, IL; two sisters, Kim (Jerry) Plohocky of Alpena, MI; and Julia Oliver of Burlington, IA; and several nieces and nephews.

Cathy was preceded in death by her father and her stepfather, Arthur Tillman. Graveside Services: Saturday, July 14, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. in Greenmount Cemetery

with Pastor Ken Barlow officiating.

Memorials: St Jude's Children's Research Hospital

Hansen-Spear Funeral Directors are in charge of the arrangements. <u>www.hansen-spear.com.</u>

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Fort Madison city crews work on a ruptured water main that happened early Wednesday morning at the corner of Avenue C and Old Denmark Hill. Water continued running from the main after the break occurred at just after 3 a.m.



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Area News

Flooding to reroute **RAGBRAI** bicyclists

Des Moines River over its banks in central Iowa

BY PCC STAFF

MADRID - Recent high rainfall totals throughout central and northwest Iowa have led to flooding of the Des Moines River and high lake levels at Saylorville Reservoir. This flooding is having a significant impact on the lower areas of Ledges State Park, which is slated to host the Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa (RAGBRAI) on Tuesday, July 24th.

The situation has forced park staff, local public safety officials, and RAGBRAI organizers to re-route the popular bike ride to avoid the park and these flooded areas. The lowest areas along the route are currently under as much as 20 feet of water and levels are not expected to subside by the time the ride comes through.

With approval from the Department of Transportation, riders will now leave Boone eastbound on US Highway 30 and ride approximately one mile, turning south on Quill Avenue (R27), where after traveling three miles will meet up with the original route. The new route will decrease the day's distance by three miles.

"It's unfortunate cyclists will not get the opportunity to see the scenic beauty that Ledges has to offer," said Park Manager Andy Bartlett. "Riders will still get a chance to experience the state park atmosphere, though, when they pass through Wildcat Den State Park later in the week. Ledges is definitely a gem within our state parks system and I would encourage those interested in exploring what it has to offer to plan a visit in the future."

Candidates sought for Lee County Leadership program

BY PCC STAFF DONNELLSON - The Lee County Leadership Program is a collaborative effort designed to bring emerging and existing leaders together to guide and foster positive change in Lee County.

Each year participants are trained in community-based leadership skills. In addition, participants will interact with local leaders and learn about Lee County resources during community organized tours and leadership panel discussions.

Nominations and applications are being accepted online on the Chambers' and Extension websites. Those nominated will be informed of who nominated them and encouraged to fill out an application. Applications will be accepted through September 21, 2018.

"We are looking for individuals who want to become more involved in community leadership. Participants will learn skills and build networks to assist them in implementing projects for the betterment of Lee County," said Shelley Oltmans, Keokuk Area Chamber of Commerce Director.

The program consists of seven sessions, participation in Southeast Iowa Region Days, and graduation, and runs from October 2018 to May 2019.

To submit a nomination or application, visit the websites of the Keokuk Area Chamber of Commerce, Fort Madison Area Chamber of Commerce, or Lee

County Extension.

The Lee County Leadership Program is a partnership between the Fort Madison Area Chamber of Commerce, Keokuk Area Chamber of Commerce and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach of Lee County. It is also supported by a steering committee with representatives from Alliant Energy, Lee County Auditor's Office, Lee County Health Department, Connection Insurance, and Southeastern Community College.

Donnellson purchases new police cruiser

BY PCC STAFF

DONNELLSON - The City of Donnellson has purchased a new patrol unit for their fleet.

A 2018 Dodge Charger was recently purchased for the police department, and the City's Chevy Impala will be retired.

The city currently has a Dodge Charger and Chevy Impala. In addition to the purchase of the vehicle, an on-board computer will also be installed in the new police unit, paralleling other agencies, including the

state vehicles, in utilizing the latest technology and services.

The City's current Dodge Charger will be assigned to the Reserve unit and the new unit will be assigned to the Police Chief. The Donnellson Police Chief is also the Chief of Police in West Point, and new Charger, purchased from Jim Baier in Fort Madison, will be used to patrol and respond to calls in both cities.

"It was time to retire the Chevy Impala," Roberts said. "The unit was no longer cost effective to operate and maintain for the department."

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The following is a list of events in and around the north Lee County area as submitted to Pen City Current.

Fort Madison Depot Farmer's Market

Every Monday more 10 local vendors have farmer's market options available at the Old Santa Fe Depot on the Riverfront in Fort Madison. The farmer's market runs from until Oct. 8 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. every Monday.

Lee County Fair

The 177th annual Lee County Fair is underway through July 16th. A complete list of events can be found at the Lee County Fair website at www. leecountyfairiowa.com

Old Settler's Summer Concert Series

"Richie Lee and the Fabulous 50's on Friday, July 27th when the Pork Producers will be ready to serve you at 5 pm at the Old Settler's Park in Fort Madison.

Old Fort Players

The summer "Youth Fort Players" production of "Homework Eats Dog and Other Woeful Tales will run July 19-22. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 17 and under. A \$2 discount will be given at the door for each person that brings in a non-perishable food item which will in turn be donated to Fort Madison Food Pantry. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. except for Sunday which is 2 p.m.

SCC Alumni Golf Outing

The 2018 Alumni Golf outing will be held on Friday, July 20 at Sheaffer Golf Course. Contact Becky Rump at brump@scciowa.edu.

Party on the Patio

The summer Party on the Patio series continues on Friday, July 20 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Baxter Sports Complex. Free live music and food and drink specials are available. All proceeds go toward community beautification efforts of Fort Madison Partners.

Gardening Camp

The Fort Madison YMCA will be holding a youth gardening camp from July 30 - Aug. 1. Register at the YMCA by July 26.

Riverfest 2018

Riverfest 2018 returns to the Fort Madison riverfront on Aug. 2-5 with live national entertainment, games, dragonboat racing, carnival rides, food and many other activities. See <u>www.riverfestfm.com</u> for full details.

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.

Warm temps make fishing tricky in area waters

BY PCC STAFF

DES MOINES - The following is the weekly fishing report from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for the week ending July 18th. It would appear early morning or deep fishing is still producing results in the heat, or find a shady spot.

Big Hollow Lake

Not a lot of angler activity because of the weather. Black Crappie - Slow: Find crappies in 6-7 feet in the flooded trees. Bluegill - Slow: Look for shadier bays on the south side with flooded trees and 6-8 feet of water.

Iowa River (Columbus Junction to Mississippi River)

The Iowa River is finally starting to drop; boating still not recommended.

Lake Belva Deer

Hot weather has cut down the number of anglers out on the lake down. Largemouth Bass - Fair: Bass fishing has slowed some, but you can still find them working the surface early in the morning. Bluegill - Fair: Work the flooded trees in deeper water, especially over in the area near the beach. Black Crappie - Fair: Drift fishing or slow trolling the area in front of the beach and towards the North boat ramp out in 10 to 15 feet of water is producing some nice crappies.

Lake Darling

Water temperature are in the low to mid 80's. Water clarity isn't bad at two feet with some green color to the water. Largemouth Bass - Fair: Work the brush piles in shallow water in early morning before the bass move out in to deeper water for the day. Bluegill - Fair: Most bluegill have moved out to 5 to 8 feet of water. Channel Catfish - Good: Catfish are wrapping up the spawning activities, but you should still be able to find them in the rocks. Black Crappie - Fair: Drift



fishing for crappies out in the middle of the lake is producing some fish. Lost Grove Lake

Black Crappie - Slow: Crappie fishing has slowed with the hot weather; move to deeper water where the crappies are trying to escape the heat. Bluegill - Fair: Early morning and late evening are best. Largemouth Bass - Fair: Anglers are catching some decent bass on topwater baits early in the morning.

Skunk River (Rose Hill to Coppock) The water level on the Skunk is still just a little below bank full.

For more information on the above lakes and rivers, call the Lake Darling Fisheries Office at 319-694-2430.

Mississippi River Pool 19

Tailwater stage is 10.13 feet at Lock and Dam 18 above Burlington and is falling. Flood stage is 10 feet. River level is 15.17 feet at Burlington and is falling. Flood stage is 15 feet. River level at Fort Madison is 527.93 feet and flood stage is 528 feet. Fishing has been slow with the high and muddy water conditions.

River stages are still high and some boat ramps are still closed due to the high water. River stages have been falling. Fishing has been slow with the high and muddy water conditions. Main channel water temperature is around 82 degrees. Most fishing reports are coming from inland lakes and farm ponds. If you have questions on fishing Pools 16-19, contact the Fairport Fish Hatchery at 563-263-5062.



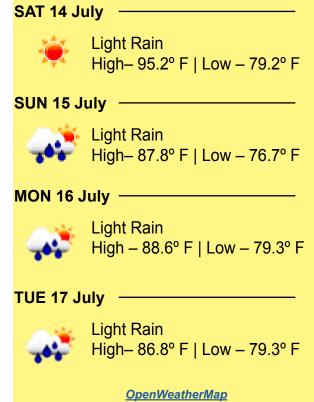
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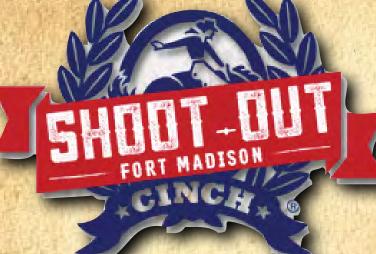
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