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Alexander gets interim FMCH post

Pike takes over financial lead until management firm finds next FMCH CEO

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - Fort Madison Community Hospital has named Jeremy Alexander as the interim President/CEO of the organization.

Alexander is the Vice President of Finance at FMCH and has been acting President/CEO since Pat Bira resigned the position July 31st. An interim Vice President of Finance has been selected to take on Alexander's current finance responsibilities; David Pike will join FMCH on October 9th assuming the role of Vice President of Finance.

Pike brings over thirty years of leadership experience in health care management to his new role at FMCH. Pike has spent the past nine years filling interim Chief



PIKE

Financial Officer positions for Quorum Health Resources after retiring as Chief Financial Officer at Southwest Alabama Medical Center in Thomasville, Alabama.

"I look forward to coming to Fort Madison and working with the FMCH family to accomplish the goals that have been established," expressed Pike.

"The Board of Trustees is committed to the success of FMCH. We feel confident that Jeremy will help lead us through this time of transition. Retaining an interim CFO will help ease Jeremy's workload so he can focus on ensuring the culture of excellence at FMCH is upheld. David Pike brings valuable experience in finance that will complement our leadership team," commented Ann Menke, President of the FMCH Board of Trustees.

Quorum Health Resources is actively working with the FMCH Board of Trustees to conduct a national search for a permanent replacement for the President/CEO position at Fort Madison Community Hospital.

EMPTY NEST

BY Curt Swarm



New hens come to roost at Empty Nest

I got a text from Ginnie while she was at work. "What's going on today?"

I text back, "Buddy to the vet, lady bringing her two hens, pet blessing on Sunday."

"It's all about animals," she replied. "LOL!"

Buffy counts eggs. 13 hens, 13 eggs And so it is. Life on the Empty Nest Farm is all about animals. Buddy was due for his annual checkup and shots. By the way, Buddy goes to the doctor more than I do. Oh, well. When it comes to cutes, he has the corner market.

A lady I met at our Old Threshers garage sale noted our hens running around free range. She asked if I wanted two more. She didn't want to keep hers through the winter. I told her I would give it a try.

Not only did she bring the two hens, but she also brought the coop she had for them. It was sort of like an apartment complex for chickens, with built-in nest boxes, roosts, and a ramp for accessing the second story. I was kind of worried about whether my hens and her hens would get along. So, I had the lady help me move her coop into our larger hen house. My idea was to house her two hens in the coop they were accustomed to, while letting my hens acclimate to hers, and vice versa.

I kept her two hens in the coop over night. My hens were quite interested in the coop and unsuccessfully tried to get inside. Her two hens huddled in the corner of their coop, bewildered by the new surroundings and the 11 additional birds-of-a-feather. Could they flock together?

My intentions were to keep the two new hens in their coop for a couple of days, while letting my hens in and out to graze. However, after the first night, I felt guilty about keeping the two new hens cooped up. I let them out to mingle with my 11 hens and to go outside at will.

At first the two new hens were quite shy about leaving their familiar surroundings. But they slowly poked out and went immediately to eating and drinking from the larger feeder and waterer. My hens rushed inside



Photo by Lee K. Vandenberg/PCC

Crop work

Farmers work to bring in a crop of soybeans last week just south of the Highway 61 bypass before rains settled in this week. Harvesting was leaving heavy clouds of dust throughout the county all week.

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Obituaries/Area News

OBITUARIES

LINDA SUE BAIER

Linda Sue Baier, 75, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 2:37 a.m. on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at Great River Medical Center in West Burlington, IA. She was born on December 15, 1941 in Naperville, IL to Mary Zemborski. She married James A. Baier on April 8, 1961 in Wheaton, IL. She was a legal secretary and also taught modeling at the Patricia Vance Modeling Agency in Chicago, IL in her younger years. Her mission in life was to take care of Jim and to help him grow their businesses. She loved her children and grandchildren, watching the Green Bay Packers, listening to the Bee Gees and spending time with Jim in Florida and Minnesota.



BAIER

Linda is survived by: her husband: Jim Baier of Fort Madison, IA; 1-daughter: Mindy (Ted) Goldie of Donnellson, IA; 2-sons: Michael (Patricia) Baier of Elko New Market, MN & Jamie (Danette) Baier of Fort Madison, IA; 12-grandchildren and 4-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: her mother and 2-sisters, Beverly Mothes & Mary Boehmer.

Friends may call after 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13, 2017 with the family to receive friends from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. that evening at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 14, 2017 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Pastor Steve Hoecker officiating. Burial will be held at Gethsemane Cemetery. A memorial has been established for the P.A.W. Animal Shelter. Online condolences to Linda's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

SALLY ESTRADA

Sally Estrada, 92, of Ft. Madison passed away on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 12:30 PM at the Montrose Health Center.



ESTRADA

She was born on August 20, 1925 in Ft. Madison to Lino and Altigracia Valdivia Estrada. Sally worked at Sheaffer Pen in her early years and later was a housekeeper. She was a member of First Baptist Church. Her ideal Sunday was going to the services and then eating at her favorite restaurant Vel's Amigos. Sally enjoyed country music, playing the piano and singing. Sally was a very humble lady and loved spending time with her family and was a beloved aunt who was very special to all of her nieces and nephews.

Survivors include one sister, Frances Garcia Becerril of Ft. Madison and numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and four sisters.

The funeral service will be held at 1:30 PM on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at the First Baptist Church with Reverend Dean Graber officiating. The family will meet with friends from 12:30 until the time of the service at the church. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for First Baptist Church and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

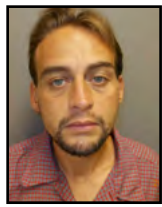
Task force makes multiple arrests in Lee County

BY PCC STAFF

LEE COUNTY – The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of three Lee County, Iowa men on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.

David Lee Spring, 34, of

Keokuk, Iowa was arrested on October 6th, 2017 in the 500 block of Main Street in Keokuk on two felony drug warrants.



SPRING

Spring is

charged with two counts of Delivery of Marijuana, a class D felony. If convicted, Spring faces up to 10 years in a state correctional facility.

The arrest of Spring stems from an investigation by the Lee County Narcotics Task Force into

allegations that he was involved in the distribution of illegal drugs in the Keokuk area.

In an unrelated matter, Colby Matthew Manning, 24, of 1148 Johnson Street Road, Keokuk, Iowa was arrested on October 7th, 2017 at the Keokuk Police



MANNING

Department on a felony drug warrant. Manning is charged with Delivery of Methamphetamine Less than Five Grams, a class

C felony. If convicted, Manning faces up to 10 years in a state correctional facility.

The arrest of Manning stems from an investigation by the Lee County Narcotics Task Force into

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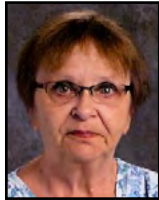
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Obituaries/Lottery Numbers

OBITUARIES

JOANN E. GUSTAFSON

Joann E. Gustafson, 68, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 9:27 p.m. on Monday, October 9, 2017 at Fort Madison Community Hospital. She was born on



GUSTAFSON

March 22, 1949 in Moline, IL to John & Margaret Lindstrom Gustafson. She worked as a machinist at the Rock Island Arsenal and later worked as a special needs associate at the Fort Madison Middle School. She enjoyed visiting with her friends in her card club, reading, the gulf coast when she lived in Mississippi and her special needs students.

Joann is survived by: 1-daughter: Carrie (Mike) Mayer of Denmark, IA; 1-granddaughter: Elizabeth Mayer of Iowa City, IA; 4-brothers: David (Helen) Gustafson of Georgia, Tom (Marty) Gustafson of Mississippi, Sam Gustafson of North Carolina & Jimmy Gustafson of Illinois. She was preceded in death by: her parents, 1-son: Mike Wren and 1-Brother: Johnny Gustafson.

Per her wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A visitation will be held on Thursday, October, 12, 2017 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Moline, IL. Burial will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery in Moline, IL. A memorial has been established in her memory. Online condolences to Joann's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

RUSSELL P. WENKE

Russell P. Wenke, 59, of rural Argyle, passed away on Monday, October 9, 2017 at 11:00 PM at The Madison.



WENKE

He was born on January 24, 1958 in Sioux City, IA and raised and loved by Henry and Patricia Sutcliffe Wenke. Russell was a lifelong farmer and also drove school bus for Central Lee School District. He was a volunteer for the Argyle Fire Department for numerous years and loved his animals, Skeeter and Cutie Pie. Russell enjoyed going out and spending time with his friends. Rick and Donna made sure all of Russell's remaining days were filled with

love and laughter.

Survivors include his brother Rick (Donna) Wenke of Ft. Madison; several nieces and nephews, great nephews and one great niece. He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents.

The family will meet with friends from 1-3 PM on Sunday, October 15, 2017 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The graveside service will be held at 10 AM on Monday, October 16, 2017 at Oakland Cemetery with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating.

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

JOSE ARMANDO PEREZ MONTENEGRO

Jose Armando Perez Montenegro, 97, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 12:55 p.m. on Friday, October 6, 2017 at The Kensington. He was born on April 4, 1920



MONTENEGRO

in Havana, Cuba to Jose Manuel Perez Duquesne & Julie Montenegro Sanabria. He married Margarita "Margo" Garcia Valladares on July 7, 1954 in Havana, Cuba. She preceded him in death on January 23, 2004. He received a BS in Agronomy Engineering from the University of Havana in 1943, received a Sugar Refinery Chemical Expert Certification from the University of Havana in 1944 and received his MA from the University of Iowa in 1966. He worked as an agronomist for the sugar cane industries in Cuba and after coming to the United States in October of 1960, he taught Spanish at Fort Madison High School for 23 years until his retirement in 1986. He was a member of the Fort Madison Kiwanis Club and was a past board member of the Fort Madison Public Library.

Jose is survived by: 1-niece: Mirta (Bill Leddy) Ramer of Muscatine, IA; 2-great nephews: Joseph (Kari Stansberry) Ramer & Christopher Ramer both of Muscatine, IA; 2-great great nieces: Jersey Lynn Ramer & Joslynn Marie Ramer, both of Muscatine, IA; 1-great great nephew: Riley Drake Norwood of Muscatine, IA and his good friends, Fred & Kitty Winke of Fort Madison, IA. He was preceded in death by: his parents, wife and 2-sisters: Bertha Perez Montenegro & Haydee Perez Montenegro.

Per his wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The family received friends from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 with a memorial service immediately following at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial was held in Sacred Heart Cemetery. A memorial has been established for the Fort Madison Public Library. Online condolences to Jose's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

JOAN CHRISTY

Joan Christy, 86, of Fort Madison, died Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at Great River Medical Center in West Burlington. Arrangements are pending at King-Lynk Funeral Home of Fort Madison.



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Sports

Lady Hounds wrap conference play at 8-0

Seniors pace FMHS to perfect 24-0 conference mark in sets.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Lady Bloodhound wrapped up 2017 Southeast Conference volleyball with a 25-8, 25-12, 25-8 win over Washington Friday night.

The Hounds finished the season 8-0, without losing a set (24-0) in the conference which gives them a repeat as conference champions. FMHS hasn't lost a conference match since 2015 when the Lady Hounds dropped two to Fairfield. Tuesday was also senior night for the Bloodhounds with six seniors being honored prior to the game. Head Coach Kent Bailey put them all on the floor to start the first game.

Senior Leigh Johnson led the Hounds with 26 assists and was 12 of 12 serving with an ace. Junior Kaeli Hutson pace the Hounds at the net going 12 of 15 attacking with six kills. She also had four digs. The Hounds got balanced performances in the front and back court in the win. Senior Courtney Woodley was 11 of 11 hitting with five kills. She also was perfect serving going 10 of 10 with an ace. Senior Shyla Farmer was 12 of 14 hitting with four kills and a block. Senior Amber Dilsaver was 7 of 10 hitting with three kills and served 10 to 11 with four aces.

Senior Kamryn Bailey had 11 digs and was 13 of 13 serving with four aces and had two kills. Senior McKenna Fehseke was 12 of 14 hitting with five kills. Sophomore Jillian Wiseman was 11 of 12 hitting with five kills and she had four blocks to lead FMHS on defense.

"It was good effort by our kids tonight," Head Coach Kent Bailey said. "The seniors set the tone the first game by going out playing well as a group. That group has worked hard the last eight years and we gave them a chance to start and play through a game together."



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Jillian Wiseman goes up for a kill in the Hounds 3-0 win over Washington to round out Southeast Conference action Tuesday night. Below, McKenna Fehseke works the net for FMHS.



"Jillian Wiseman gave us a good lift in the second game going out and recording four kills and three blocks. We were able to rotate our bench in the third game and see everyone contribute. Our kids hard work in the off-season during the club season and summer workouts has contributed to where we are at. You also see the efforts of the previous coaches Jill Stull, and Mike and Anita Helling in where are program has come to this point."

The Bloodhounds are 23-5 overall, including a 17-1 record dating back to Sept. 5. and are ranked 14th in the state in Class 4A according to the Iowa High School Girls Athletic Union.

The Hounds swept four wins in the Durant Tournament on Saturday, downing Grinnell 21-10, 21-6, Daventry West 10-21, 21-18, 15-13, Durant 21-8, 21-15, and Maquoketa 21-13, 21-2.

On the day, Johnson again led the Hounds going a perfect 23 of 23 hitting with three kills, and led the Hounds with 63 assists on the day. She also served 30 of 31 with four aces. Hutson hit 29-34, with 12 kills and served 17-17, 29 digs. Farmer hit 10-16, eight kills and Woodley hit 10-16, six kills. Dilsaver paced the Hounds at the net going 35-43 with 20 kills, 11 blocks and then served 14-18 with three aces. Wiseman hit 18-21 with 12 kills and six blocks and Fehseke hit 21-24 with 10 kills, four blocks for the day.

Josie Pumphrey served 41-44 with nine aces and 45 digs. Bailey served 25-26, six aces and had 29 digs, while Olivia Williams served 31-31, three aces and 16 digs.

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Sports

HTC places 4th at SEISC x-country run

Hellige takes 3rd at conference meet, Mike Jay invite

BY PCC STAFF

WINFIELD - Matt Hellige took third place at Thursday's Southeast Iowa Superconference cross-country meet at Winfield on Thursday.

Hellige's finish helped carry the Crusaders to a 4th-place finish overall at the meet. He finished at 17:04.26 just 2.5 seconds shy of Winfield-Mt. Union's Brody Barton and 11 seconds off the pace set by Colten Glosser of Pekin who ran a sub 17, 16:52.49 in the 5K run.

Blake Crabtree was the next Crusader across the line at 18:32.48 good enough for 26th place overall. Jacob Mohrfeld took 36th place with a time of 18:58.70. Senior Ben Abolt and Adam Rauenbuehler finished at 43rd and 44th respectively with times of 19:18.74 and 19:19.45 to round out the scoring for HTC.

Other place finishers for the Crusaders were Brant Holtkamp at 19:31 - 48th and Sam Avery 20:19.65 - 62nd.

Pekin won the meet with 63 points, followed by Wapello with 81 points and Winfield-Mt. Union with 116. HTC finished with 149 points.

In the junior varsity meet, Chandler Rung paced Holy Trinity with a 12th place finish at 21:17.75. Josh Barr finished in 26th place with a time of 23:16.25 and Wyatt Hellman was 27th at 23:18.25. Kyle Scheetz took 29th place with a time of 23:29.38.

In the junior high two mile boys run, the Crusaders took 3rd overall with 76 points highlighted by Philip Goldie's 1st place overall run at 10:40.89. Mikey

DePrima was sixth overall with a time of 11:28.79. Michael Hellman finished in 18th place with a time of 12:10.54, Tyler Snaadt took 23rd at the meet with a time of 12:20.10 and Jacob Pothitakis was 36th at 12:58.10 to round out the scoring for HTC. Nick Fullenkamp finished in 38th with a time of at 13:04.08.

In the girls two-mile run, Elliot Dostalek, took 32nd place with a time of 15:02.38 and Mary Hellige finished in 46th place at 16:14.75.

On Monday, HTC finished second at the Mike Jay Cross Country Invitational in Columbus Junction.

Matt Hellige again took third with a 17:53.20 on the 5K run. Again just two seconds behind Barton. Wilton's Buddy Darting won the race at 17:07.9, a full 45 seconds ahead of the field. But the Crusaders got strong runs from Crabtree at 19:32.8 - 16th, Mohrfeld at 19:40.5 - 18th, Ben Abolt with a time of 19:53.5 - 21st and Brant Holtkamp 20:40.0 good enough for 29th place to finish the scoring runners for HTC. Other finishers included Sam Avery 30th - 20:40.3.

In the junior varsity boys run, Chandler Rung took 4th place with a time of 21:42.7. Wyatt Hellman and Josh Barr finished 19th and 20th with times of 24:03.8 and 24:11.6. Kyle Scheetz was 28th with a time of 26:09.2

In the junior high run, Holy Trinity only fielded four runners in the two-mile event so they couldn't place as a team, which required five runners, but Goldie and DiPrima finished one and two at the meet at 10:29.3 and 11:14.80. Michael Hellman took 7th at 12:10.8 and Nick Fullenkamp took 15th at 13:07.2.

In the junior high girls run, Dostalek took 12th place with a time of 15:29.7 and Mary Hellige took 15th with a time of 16:41.6.

FMHS runners take 2nd at Centerville Invite

BY PCC STAFF

CENTERVILLE - The Fort Madison boys cross country team took second place at Tuesday's Centerville Invite.

Aaron Steffensmeier won the individual 5k race breaking the 17-minute mark at 16:59 just one second ahead of Oskaloosa's Carter Huyer. Oskaloosa won the meet with just 27 points having all five of their scoring runners in the top 9.

The Bloodhounds' Dayne Cordray finished in fourth place at the meet with a 17:41 mark. Other scoring runners for the Hounds included Nathan Steffensmeier

12th - 18:30, Shakir McClellan 19th -18:57; and Elton Kruse 20th - 19:01. Other Hounds competing at the event included Miguel Trejo 22nd - 19:10; Owen Kruse 23rd - 19:11; Noah Sissel - 19:21; Matt Meierotto - 20:11; Anthony Barnes - 20:24; Alex Steffensmeier - 20:33; and Seth Mendez 22:56.

Sissel won the junior varsity run with his mark of 19:21, Meierotto and Barnes took 4th and 5th in with their times, Alex Steffensmeier and Mendez rounded out the scoring runners for the Hounds.

The Fort Madison boys middle school runners took first place at the meet.

Austin Miller 5th - 9:29; Hayden Wolf 10th - 9:32; Miles Dear, 14th - 9:35; Emmett Kruse 15 - 9:36; Dayton Davis 17 - 9:42; Will Gager 20 - 9:57; Ben Thele 44 - 10:55; Reiburn Turnbull 11:41; Tate Settles 11:43; Matt Steffensmeier 11:56; Gideon Anderson 12:21, Cameron Shutwell 12:51.

Fort Madison took 3rd place in the girls middle school 1.5 mile run.

Katelyn Dennis 2nd - 10:03, Emily Steffensmeier 15th - 11:22, Mylah Blanchard, 17th - 11:30; Ellie Schulte, 22nd - 11:46, Lauren Otte 28th, 11:57, Breanna Walston 42nd - 12:29, McKenna Cashman, 44th -12:31; Jordyn Boyer -12:57.

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Fort Madison Police Report

09/29/17 - 11:48 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 800 block of Avenue G.
09/29/17 - 13:01 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 800 block of Avenue G.
09/30/17 - 12:50 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Samantha Suzanne Kellum, 28, of Fort Madison at the intersection of 233rd Street and Hwy 61 on a charge of driving while barred and a warrant out of Des Moines County.
09/30/17 - 2:55 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1000 block of Avenue C.
09/30/17 - 8:34 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a gas drive off in the 800 block of Avenue G.
9/30/17 - 12:31 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Charles Lozano, 39 of Fort Madison in the 2700 block of Avenue I on a charge of driving while suspended. He was cited and released.
09/30/17 - 2:38 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1600 block of Avenue L.
09/30/17 - 3:48 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a shoplifter
09/30/17 - 4:20 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Alexander Kelly, 45, of Fort Madison in the 1500 block of Avenue M on a charge of fifth degree theft. He was cited and released.
09/30/17 - 11:10 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Kyle C. Herron, 31 of Wood River, Ill., in the 3600 block of Avenue L, on a charge of excessive speed and transporting an open container. He was cited and released.
10/1/17 - 9:31 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2300 block of Avenue H.
10/1/17 - 2:27 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report a larceny/theft in the 1300 block of Avenue G.
10/1/17 - 4:42p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1200 block of Avenue G.
10/1/17 - 8:13 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Jessica Kim Bower, 27 of Fort Madison in the 1800 block of Avenue G on a charge of possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held
10/1/17 - 8:33 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny theft in the 2600 block of Avenue L.
10/2/17 - 6:42 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen bicycle in the 2700 block of Avenue O
10/2/17 - 7:24 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2800 block of Avenue

A. 10/04/17 - 6:36 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2800 block of Avenue H.
10/04/17 - 10:44 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in Green Oak Court area.
10/04/17 - 12:27 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 2000 block of Avenue F.
10/04/17 - 2:59 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2000 block of Avenue F, in the lobby.
10/04/17 - 5:38 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 900 block of 2nd street.
10/04/17 - 9:05 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Jarod Alexander Ramos, 36, of Fort Madison, in the alley of the 900 block of Avenue G, on a warrant for simple assault/criminal mischief. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/05/17 - 3:00 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1100 block of Avenue G.
10/05/17 - 3:34 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1600 block of Avenue L.
10/06/17 - 12:39 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2800 block of Avenue H.
10/06/17 - 3:26 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the Florence Drive area.
10/06/17 - 5:14 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen bicycle in the 900 block of Avenue D.
10/06/17 - 7:49 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Eric Troy Beckman, 42, of Fort Madison, in the 800 block of 32nd Street, on a warrant for simple assault. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/06/17 - 11:52 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 300 block of 7th Street.
10/07/17 - 12:59 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Kimberly Michelle Brewer, 37, of Fort Madison, in the 3000 block of Avenue P, on a charge of violation of protective order. She was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/07/17 - 1:36 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Jesse Winslow McGee, Jr., 39, of Revere, Mo., in the 2900 block of Avenue P, on two warrants for violation of protective order. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/07/17 - 3:55 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Timothy John Smith, 40, of Fort Madison, in the 3400 block of Avenue N, on a warrant for parole violation. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/08/17 - 12:37 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Nathan Patrick Boone, 26, of Fort Madison, at the Fort

Madison Police Department, on a charge of simple assault. He was released on his own recognizance.
10/08/17 - 2:45 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Arnold Lee Sholl, Jr., 56, of Fort Madison, in the 3000 block of Avenue O, on a charge of disorderly conduct. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/08/17 - 6:45 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 900 block of Avenue F.
10/08/17 - 8:56 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Adam Robert Cloyd, 29, of Fort Madison, in the 2000 block of Avenue L, on a warrant for failure to appear on fifth degree theft. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/08/17 - 11:56 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Bradley Robert Bohnenkamp, 31, of Fort Madison, in the 5400 block of Avenue O, on a warrant for escape. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
10/09/17 - 8:08 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 3400 block of Bluff Road.
10/09/17 - 1:05 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a burglary in 5000 block of River Valley Road.
10/09/17 - 2:26 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 700 block of Avenue G.
10/09/17 - 4:03 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 4500 block of Avenue O.
10/09/17 - 5:07 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 2000 block of Avenue B.
10/09/17 - 8:23 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Michael Robert Scott, 38, of Fort Madison, in the 1200 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for probation violation and charges of driving while barred, possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and carrying weapons. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

09/29/17 - 10:12 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Gregory Lane King, 55, Denmark, Iowa in the 1900 block of 303rd Avenue in Denmark on a charge of driving while barred. He was taken to Lee County Jail and then released on his own recognizance.
09/29/17 - 11:16 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Kenneth Lee Lilly, Sr., at the North Lee County Courthouse on a court-ordered hold. He was taken to Lee County Jail and then transferred to another agency.
09/29/17 - 12:24 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Joana Renee Mauld-

Obituaries/Local News

Task force makes FM drug arrest

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of a Quincy, Illinois man on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.

Joshua S Wegat, 28, Quincy, Illinois was arrested on October 3rd, 2017 at 2500 block of Chalk Ridge Road, Fort Madison, Iowa on felony and misdemeanor drug charges. Wegat is charged with Possession of Methamphetamine more than Five Grams with the Intent to Deliver, a class B felony, Drug Tax Stamp Violation, a class D felony, Possession of Methamphetamine, a serious misdemeanor, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Wegat faces up to 31 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.



WEGAT

The arrest of Wegat stems from a traffic stop conducted by a Lee County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit Deputy. During the course of the traffic stop, the K9 Unit alerted on the vehicle that Wegat was a passenger in. During the subsequent investigation, items that support the charges were discovered.

The Lee County Attorney's Office and the Lee County Sheriff's Office assisted the Lee County Narcotics Task Force in this investigation.

The defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The Lee County Narcotics Task Force is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Justice and the funds administered by the Iowa Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy.

OBITUARIES

RANDOLPH "RANDY" THOMAS DODDS

Randolph Thomas Dodds died at 9:15 p.m. Tuesday evening at Great River Hospice in Burlington after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease.



DODDS

Randolph, or Randy to anyone who knew him, was born Jan. 11, 1949 to Donald and Lorraine Dodds of Ottumwa, later of Burlington.

He attended the Burlington Community School District and graduated in 1967. He worked several jobs after high school including positions at the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant, Trane Corp., Coppus Murray and ended his career at Dresser-Rand where he retired in 2008. He also owned several businesses including The Racer's Edge and Wet Pets pet store.

Randy married Pamela Ann (Rheinschmidt) Vandenberg in July of 1988, inherited her four children as his own and they made a home in West Burlington.

He was an avid race fan and had passions for visiting with friends and family, the Iowa Hawkeyes, and the San Francisco 49ers. From a very young age, Randy was fixated with automobiles and racing, working on pit crews at 34 Raceway and racing in his youth while working on cars with his father.

He was also a former member of Boy Scout Troop 68 out of Burlington.

He is survived by his wife; his sister Pam (Dodds) Vroom (husband Jim) of Burlington; his four children: Dan Rheinschmidt (wife Karen) of Cape Coral, Fla., Chuck Vandenberg (wife Lee) of Fort Madison, John Vandenberg (wife Susan) of West Burlington and Mike Vandenberg (wife Tracie) of West Burlington; eight grandchildren; Brandon Rheinschmidt, Heather Rheinschmidt, Taylor Vandenberg, Hayden Wilson, Kelsey Vandenberg, Natalie Vandenberg, Hayden Vandenberg and Amelia Vandenberg and a nephew Jason Schmitz

He is preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting memorials be made out to Great River Hospice.

A visitation was held on Friday, October 6 at Prugh-Thielen Funeral Home with a graveside committal in Apsen Grove Cemetery in Burlington following the visitation.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fort Madison
Community School
District
1930 Avenue M
Minutes of the
Organization Meeting
September 25, 2017

I. The meeting was called to order by Temporary Chair Elmore at 8:12 p.m. Directors Hope, Young, DiPrima, Hotop, Wondra, Ross and Troxel were present. Also present were Superintendent Slater, Director of Curriculum and Student Services Harmon and Secretary Elmore.

II. Administer oaths and election of officers.

A. Oath of office to new Board members. The Oath

of Office was administered to the elected Board members.

B. Election of president. Secretary Elmore asked for nominations for the position of President. Director Hope made motion to nominate Director Wondra as President. Director Young seconded the nomination. There were no additional nominations. It was moved by DiPrima and seconded by Young to approve Director Wondra as President by acclamation. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

C. Oath of office to president. Temporary chair Elmore administered the oath of office of President to Director Wondra. President

Wondra assumed the chair for the meeting.

D. Election of vice-president. President Wondra asked for nominations for the position of vice-president. Director Ross nominated Director Young for vice-president. The motion was seconded by Director Hotop. There were no additional nominations. It was moved by DiPrima and seconded by Hope to approve Director Young as vice-president by acclamation. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

III. Consider Board appointments. The Board reviewed the Board appointments.

A. It was moved by Hotop

and seconded by DiPrima to approve Sandra Elmore as Board Secretary/Treasurer. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

B. It was moved by Young and seconded by DiPrima to approve Brett Nitzschke, Lynch Dallas, PC, school district attorney as the school district attorney. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

C. It was moved by Ross and seconded by Hope to approve the Daily Democrat as the official publication for the district. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

IV. Adopt meeting rules, procedures and committee assignments. The Board reviewed the rules, procedure

and committee assignments.

A. Establish time, day and location for regular meetings. Consensus was given to hold a work session on the 1st Monday of each month and the regular meeting on the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. except when conflicts arise with the school calendar. The meetings will be held in the Board Room of the Central Office.

B. Determine seating arrangements. It was determined that the seating arrangement would continue on a rotation basis.

C. Determine finance committee. The finance committee will continue on

a rotating basis.

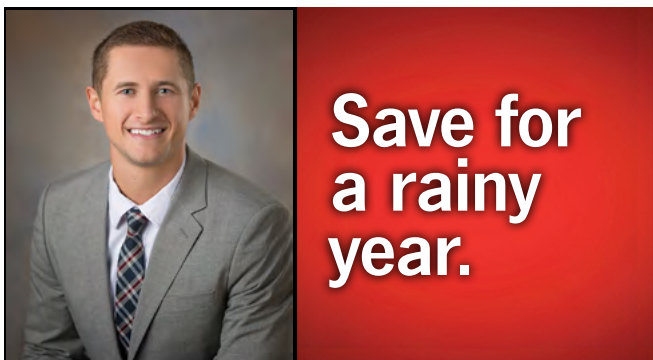
D. Selection of County Conference Board representative. Director DiPrima agreed to serve as County Conference Board representative.

E. Selection of negotiations committee. Directors Wondra and Young will serve on the negotiations committee.

F. Selection of calendar committee. Directors DiPrima and Troxel agreed to serve on the calendar committee.

G. Selection of vocational program representative. Director Troxel agreed to serve as

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the vocational program representative.

H. Selection of facility study committee representative. Directors Hotop and Wondra

agreed to serve on the facility study committee.

I. Selection of SIAC representative. Director Hope agreed to serve as the SIAC representative.

J. Selection of audit committee. Directors Ross and Wondra were selected to serve

on the audit committee.

K. Selection of community foundation group. Directors Hope and Wondra were

selected to serve on the community foundation.

L. Appoint LAN assembly member. The LAN representative will be Director

Young.

M. Appoint Delegate assembly member. The Delegate assembly member will be

Director Young and assisted by Director Wondra.

V. Action Items

A. Board Secretary/Business Manager

VI. Discussion Items

A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services

1. Review the District Wellness Plan. The Board reviewed the District Wellness

Plan.

B. Superintendent

1. Discuss plans for American Education Week. The Board discussed plans for American Education

Week and determined that they will hold a staff

appreciation breakfast on November 14th.

2. Discuss February Board meeting date. The Board discussed the February Board meeting date and decided to hold the February regular

Board meeting on

February 20th at 6:00 p.m.

3. Schedule October Instructional rounds tour. The Board will tour the High

School

on October 17th at 10:00 a.m.

C. Board Secretary/Business Manager – Sandy Elmore

VII. Comments from the audience. There were none.

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

IX. Announcements

Work Session, October 2, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

Next regular meeting, October 16, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

IASB Annual Convention, Des Moines, November

15-17

X. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

President

Date

Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fort Madison Community School District

1930 Avenue M

Minutes of the

October 2, 2017

Work Session

I. The meeting was called to order by President Wondra at 6:00 p.m. Directors Ross, Troxel, Hope, Young and DiPrima were present. Also present were Superintendent Slater and Director of Curriculum and Student Services Harmon, who served as acting secretary. Director Hotop was absent.

II. Recognition of guests. President Wondra welcomed members of the audience in attendance.

III. Approve the agenda. It was moved by Young and seconded by DiPrima to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

IV. Finalize IASB Presentation. The Board worked on the Presentation for the upcoming IASB convention where they will be presenting "You've Got This! Researched Based Strategies to Build a More Cohesive and Effective Board".

V. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

President

Date

Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE

FORT MADISON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

October 16, 2017

6:00 P.M.

Finance:

DiPrima / Hotop

AGENDA

I. Call meeting to order and determination of a quorum

II. Recognition of guests

III. Reading of Foundation documents

IV. Monthly communications

A. Student Rep Report – Sierra Howardson and Katie Larson

B. Curriculum Corner - C. "Did You Know?"

D. Superintendent Goal Report

V. Approve the agenda

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes

1. September 25, 2017 Regular Meeting

2. September 25, 2017 Organization Meeting

3. October 2, 2017 Work Session

B. Financial reports

1. September Balance Sheet Exhibit VIB1 September Balance Sheet

2. September Revenue Summary Exhibit VIB2 September Revenue Summary

3. Expenditure Report

Exhibit VIB3 Expenditure Report

4. Student Activity Report Exhibit VIB4 Student Activity Report

C. Accounts payable

1. September General Account General Account Board Bills for Approval

2. October General Account General Account Board Bills for Approval

3. Student Activity Account Student Activity Account Board Bills for Approval

4. Nutrition Account Nutrition Account Board Bills for Approval

D. Consider personnel resignations

1. Jessica Leshar as Middle School associate

2. Heidi Marshall, Middle School food service

3. Denise Hemmie, Middle School food service

E. Consider employment of personnel

1. Jared Rehm, Varsity Softball Coach

F. Consider contract modifications

1. Other reports

1. Director

Director moved and director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

seconded the

documents submitted in the consent section of the agenda be approved and/or filed as submitted.

VII. Action Items

A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services – Kim Harmon

1.

B. Superintendent – Erin Slater

1. Consider approval of policy changes

a. 507.9 - Wellness Policy

1. Consider personnel matters

C. Board Secretary/Business Manager – Sandy Elmore

1.

VIII. Discussion Items

A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services – Kim Harmon

1. Curriculum Report

2. Fall Data

B. Superintendent – Erin Slater

1. Reviewed policy #210.2

a. 210.2 Board Meeting Procedures

2. Enrollment Update

3. Certified Attendance Report

4. Board Member Attendance Report

5. Out of state travel request

5. Schedule November building tour

6. American Education



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7.. P3 Campus
C. Board Secretary/
Business Manager – Sandy
Elmore
1. Food Service Update
2. Legislative Priorities
Update

IX. Comments from the
audience
X. Legislative update
XI. Announcements
October instructional tour
of High School on October
17 th at 10:00 a.m.
Schedule instructional

tour for November
Next work session, No-
vember 6, 2017
Next regular meeting.
November 20, 2017
American Education
Week breakfast, Tuesday,
November 14th
IASB Annual Convention,
November 15-17
XII. Closed Session to
review confidential records
and also consider to suspend
or expel a
student as per Iowa Code
21.5(1)(a) and 21.5 (1)
(e)-Student A
XIII. Motion to approve
the Expulsion of Student
A and approve the Parental
Agreement.
XIV. Adjourn



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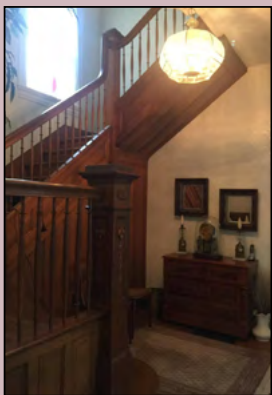
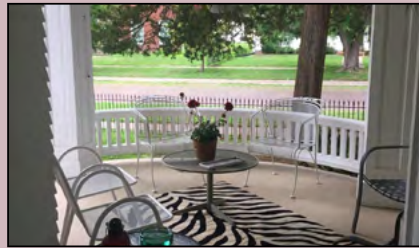


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For the Record

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ing, 47, of Alexandria, Mo., at the Lee County Correctional Center on a warrant of probation violation. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on bond. 09/30/17 - 7:21 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Frederick Allen Smith, 52, of Fort Madison, no location given, on warrants for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 09/30/17 - 7:37 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Romero Cesar Gonzalez, 29, of Granite City, Illinois in the 2700 block of Hwy 27 on a charge of operating while intoxicated. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released on bond. 10/03/17 - 12:30 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Caleb Earl Land, 35 of Warsaw, Ill., at the intersection of 48th Street and Bluff Road on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia., He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 10/3/17 - 12:30 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Chad Richard Barker, 39 of Montrose, at the intersection of 48th Street and Bluff Road on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. 10/03/17 - 2:53 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Nicholas Ryan Queen, 38, of Burlington, in the 2600 block of Chalk Ridge Road, on a charge of False ID of Law/ Public Service Officer. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/03/17 - 3:51 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on Green Bay Road. A vehicle driven by Nicole Ray Crawford, 27, of Rockford lost control after failing to navigate a curve and struck an embankment. No citations or injuries were reported at the scene. 10/03/17 - 9:00 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Travis Michael Hanson, 33, of Burlington, no location given, on a charge of violation of parole. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/05/17 - 9:23 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Rion William Donlan, 35, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Jail, on a charge of simple assault. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/05/17 - 1:09 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Michael Timothy Knox, 32, of Springfield, Ill., at the Sangamon County Jail, Springfield, Ill., on a charge of violation of probation. He remained in custody. 10/05/17 - 3:19 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Melissa Janette McDermott, 33, of Keokuk, at the Lee County Jail, on a charge of violation of probation. She was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/05/17 - 4:33 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies

arrested John Gabriel Anderson, 54, of Argyle, in the 1800 block of 295th Street, Argyle, on a charge of domestic abuse assault-3rd SUB. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/05/17 - 9:33 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Takoda Levi Henderson, 18, of Burlington, in the 800 block of Valley Street, Burlington, on a charge of violation of probation. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/06/17 - 12:21 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jermei Oliver Burns, 24, of Donnellson, in the 500 block of Dewey Avenue, Donnellson, on a charge of disorderly conduct. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed, but was later released on a promise to appear. 10/06/17 - 12:53 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Joshua Allen Lovelless, 32, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Jail, on a charge of simple assault. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/06/17 - 12:55 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Michael Wayne Land, 30, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Jail, on a charge of simple assault. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/06/17 - 10:38 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident on Hwy 61 and 280th Street. A vehicle driven by Kaye L. Kroken, 63 of Burlington, Wis., struck a vehicle driven by Jeremy Dwayne Christophe, 27, of Fort Madison. Kroken, was driving a pilot car for a semi and pulled out onto Hwy 61 into the path of southbound traffic, according to the report, and struck the rear end of Christophe's vehicle. Kroken was given a warning for failure to yield. No injuries were reported. 10/07/17 - 4:42 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jose Arnoldo Perez-Ochoa, 39, of Bloomfield, IA, at the Lee County Jail, charge not given. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/07/17 - 5:49 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Brandon Paul Harold Whippie, 28, of Keokuk, at the Sheriff's office, on a warrant for judgment entry/ mittimus. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/07/17 - 11:59 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Colby Matthew Manning, 24, of Keokuk, in the 1200 block of Johnson Street, Keokuk, on a charge of possession of <5GM methamphetamine. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/08/17 - 12:00 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Bernard Newbill,

66, of Keokuk, on South 7th Street, Keokuk, on a warrants for judgment entry/mittimus and voluntary absence from custody. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/08/17 - 6:45 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Bernard Newbill, 66, of Keokuk, in the 100 block of Hwy 61/218 bypass, Keokuk, on a charge of driving while barred. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/09/17 - 10:04 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Leeroy Laveta Gray, 40, of Montrose, no location given, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/09/17 - 12:38 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Michael Lee Jefferson, 19, of Keokuk, at the Sheriff's office, on a warrant for sex offender registration violation. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. 10/09/17 - 2:04 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident in the 3400 block of Hwy. 218. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Rodger Dale Allison, 55, of Swansea, Ill., struck a vehicle driven by Alice Marie Washburn, 45, of Keokuk. Allison was attempting to change lanes when he collided with Washburn's vehicle. Allison overcorrected and ended up in the ditch and he was cited for improper lane usage. No injuries were reported at the scene. 10/09/17 - 5:12 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Stanley Joe Davis, 27, of Montrose, at the Sheriff's office, on a warrant for violation of probation. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed, but was later released on bond. 10/10/17 - 12:06 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Travis Edward Scott, 38, of Keokuk, in the 1400 block of Exchange Street, Keokuk, on a warrant for failure to appear and a charge of possession of a controlled substance. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. *Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

*Fort Madison
Fire & Rescue report*

09/29/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls, one assist and one false alarm
09/30/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical calls
10/1/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call and one garage fire
10/2/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls.

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State News/Area News

Garcia gets state service award

BY PCC STAFF

DES MOINES - The Iowa Health Care Association (IHCA) recognized the 2017 IHCA Excellence in Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Award recipients at its annual convention of long term services and supports providers on September 27 in Des Moines. The Excellence in LTSS Awards recognize individuals' expertise, service and commitment to quality in their long term services and supports professions.

Amanda Garcia, Director of Nursing, The Kensington, Ft. Madison was awarded the Excellence in LTSS Leadership Award for Distinguished Director of Nursing

Garcia has education and training at the core of her long term services and supports mission. While she promotes safety and quality in all she does, she makes sure the staff have the education and training to ensure quality improvement is achievable.



Courtesy photo

Amanda Garcia, Director of Nursing at The Kensington, was presented an Excellence in Long Term Services and Supports Award by Iowa Center for Assisted Living President Briana Hilmer (left) and Iowa Health Care Association President Ted LeNeave (right).

And a big part of that is making sure she – herself – continually updates her own education, which she constantly does by attending workshops and participating in webinars.

As a Certified Dementia Practitioner, Mandi not only trains Kensington staff using the Virtual Dementia Tour, but she also provides training for the local hospital staff, and staff and inmate caregivers at the Iowa State

Penitentiary. She also offers training to community groups and Kensington residents' family members.

Garcia was also instrumental in The Kensington applying for and earning the AHCA/NCAL Silver Quality Award this year. The Kensington will receive the award next month at the AHCA/NCAL Convention in Las Vegas.

The judges said "Mandi

is a community-minded innovator who strives to elevate The Kensington staff's knowledge and expertise to constantly strive for quality improvement for everyone served by the facility," and "She's a visionary for the future of long term care".

For more information about the services provided at The Kensington, contact Rachel Benda at 319-372-4233.

GRHS offers Men's Health Fair Oct. 21

BY PCC STAFF

WEST BURLINGTON – Great River Health Systems is bringing information about men's top health issues to one location. A Men's Health Fair is scheduled from 8 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, in Great River Wellness Plaza's Blackhawk Room, 1401 W. Agency Road, West Burlington.

A light breakfast and door prizes will be available.

Topics and speakers will be:

- 8:30 a.m. – Prostate Enlargement, Brandy Parker, ARNP, Great River Urology
- 8:50 a.m. – Substance Abuse, Jim Towler, SAP, Great River Mental Health
- 9:10 a.m. – Pre-Diabetes, Marcia Carlson, RN, MS, CDE
- 9:30 a.m. – Breast Cancer in Men, William Rockey, MD, PhD, Great River Cancer Center, and a patient's story

Displays and information from other Great River Health Systems services will be featured. To register, please call 319-768-3491 or visit GreatRiverMedical.org/events.

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Local News/From the Front

City election absentee ballots now available

BY PCC STAFF

LEE COUNTY – Denise Fraise, Lee County Auditor, announces that absentee ballots for the City Election to be held Tuesday, November 7, 2017 are now available in the Auditor's Office.

You may vote in person at the Auditor's Office located at 933 Avenue H Fort Madison daily from 8:30 A.M. until 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday, through Monday, November 6, 2017. You may also vote in person at the South Lee County Courthouse, 25 North 7th Street, Keokuk, located in the west hall across from the Lee County Assessor's Office beginning Monday, October 9, 2017 from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. and 1:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Eligible voters wishing to vote early may complete THE IOWA OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT RE-

QUEST FORM available from the Lee County Auditor or by downloading the form at <http://sos.iowa.gov>. The request for an absentee ballot may be hand delivered to the Auditor's office in Fort Madison, dropped off at the South Lee County Courthouse in Keokuk or mailed to the Lee County Auditor, P.O. Box 190, Fort Madison, IA 52627.

A voter may also request a ballot on paper no smaller than 3 inches by 5 inches and must contain the voter's name, mailing address, date of birth and signature and the name of the election for which the voter is requesting a ballot. Requests must be received by 5:00 P.M., Friday, November 3rd.

Requests may be faxed to 319-372-7033. However, the original request document must be received by the Auditor's Office. If mailed, it must be postmarked by

Monday, November 6, 2017. It can also be hand delivered to the Auditor's Office no later than 8:00 P.M. on Election Day in order for the ballot to be counted.

Voted ballots may be returned by mail, but must be postmarked no later than Monday, November 6th and received by Noon on Thursday, November 9th for the cities of Fort Madison and Keokuk. All other cities' ballots must be postmarked no later than Monday, November 6th and received by Noon on Monday, November 13th. Prepaid postage is affixed to all ballot return envelopes. The voter's ballot may be hand delivered to the County Auditor's Office before 8:00 P.M., Election Day, November 7, 2017, by the voter or any person the voter designates.

Anyone having questions regarding absentee voting may contact the Auditor's office at 319/372-3705.

Hens come home to roost

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the strange coop to see what it was all about.

The two new hens investigated the laying boxes and eventually wandered outside. There were a few dust-ups between my hens and the newbies, but nothing serious.

One of the new hens is dark red and shy. The other is a red-and-white mix with a buff tail. So we call them Red and Buffy. Buffy is the boss, and they stick together tightly, wandering around our 2 1/2 acres, eating bugs and staying off the road.

I was a little concerned about whether Red and Buffy would return to the hen house at night, but they did—not to roost with my hens, but to return to the inside of their coop. Interesting. They are also not using my laying boxes, but continue to lay eggs in the coop's built-in laying boxes. I think some of my hens are going into the new coop and laying eggs at the new facility. Also interesting. Swarm's adopt-a-hen. Lucky 13.

We are getting about a dozen nice brown eggs a day. Many of them double-yolkers. In the supermarket they would be called "cage-free brown eggs" and are more expensive than the standard whites. We call our eggs, "country gold."

Our pastor had a pet blessing at the church and we took Buddy. He was a little jealous over all the attention

we're giving the hens, but is feeling special now after the blessing.

Ginnie was right, life on the farm is all about animals, which is a nice relief from the strife in the world. Next year we might take Red and Buffy to get blessed.

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<p>10/12 River Terrace Keokuk 8:30am-10:00am</p>	<p>10/18 Donnellson Public Library 11:30am-1:30pm</p>	<p>10/26 LCHD (#3 John Bennett Drive) Ft. Madison Noon-5:30pm</p>	
<p>10/12 United Methodist Church Donnellson 10:30am-11:30am</p>	<p>10/19 Eagle Bluff Apts. Ft. Madison 9:00am-10:00am</p>	<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">LEE CHD</div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> LIKE us on Facebook </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>	
<p>10/12 Trinity United Methodist Keokuk Noon-4:30pm</p>	<p>10/19 Heritage Center Keokuk 10:00am-Noon</p>		

Area News/Weather

Dirty Hawk 5K comes to SCC

WEST BURLINGTON – Southeastern Community College (SCC) will host its second annual Dirty Hawk Dash 5K on Saturday, October 14 in West Burlington. This mud run will take racers on a 5K loop over, through and around SCC's West Burlington campus with plenty of obstacles along the way.

"If you want to do a race like this, you're driving a few hours to get there, and it costs a lot more," explains

race committee member Jeff Ebbing. "We've built a quality of event that's available to people right here in our community."

Last year's event attracted approximately 200 racers. Many donned costumes, including Ninja Turtles, super heroes, zombies, and a large group of human M&Ms.

"This year's course includes even more obstacles. Racers will run through corn rows, scale multiple climbing walls, including

a tower that's nearly two stories tall, wrestle tractor trailer tire flips and a log carry, wade through mud pits, and more.

The course is difficult enough to challenge serious racers but not so daunting as to scare away average person.

The event is a college-wide endeavor. Various student clubs and departments have been busy building obstacles since the spring. Many others have provided support for the event.

Race proceeds benefit

student clubs and activities.

The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14, with heats starting every 15 minutes. The race is open to adults and youth, and racers can also register as a team. Registrations will be accepted until race day, however late racers may not receive a shirt.

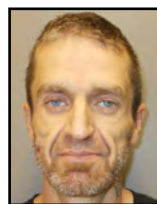
Complete race information and online registration is available at scciowa.edu. For more information, contact Pam Peterson at ppeterson@scciowa.edu or 319-208-5185.

FM man nabbed on felony drug charges

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allegations that he was involved in the distribution of methamphetamine in the Keokuk area.

In an unrelated matter, Timothy John Smith, 41, of 1125 48th Street #17, Ft. Madison, Iowa was arrested on October 7th, 2017 in the 3400 block of Avenue N in Fort Madison on felony and misdemeanor drug charges. Smith is charged with Possession with intent to Deliver Less Than Five Grams Of Methamphetamine within 1000 Feet Of A Park Second Or Subsequent Offense, a class C felony with enhancements, Possession of Marijuana Second or Subsequent Offense, an aggravated misdemeanor, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Smith faces up to 47 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.



SMITH

The arrest of Smith stems from a traffic stop conducted by a Fort Madison Police Officer. During the course of the traffic stop, items that support the charges were discovered.

The Lee County Attorney's Office, Keokuk Police Department, Fort Madison Police Department, Lee County Sheriff's Office, and the Iowa Division of Narcotics Enforcement, assisted the Lee County Narcotics Task Force in this investigation.

The defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The Lee County Narcotics Task Force is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Justice and the funds administered by the Iowa Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy.

5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

WED 11 Oct

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SAT 14 Oct

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