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## County building security concerns brought up at budget talks

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - District Judge John Wright, who chairs the Lee County courthouse security committee, put forth a list of recommendations to the Lee County Board of Supervisors Tuesday morning.

As part of the board's annual budget review process for the upcoming 2018-2019 fiscal budget year, Wright asked the board to consider putting some of the recommendations into the budget process.

"When it comes to money we understand, number one, budgets are tight and, number two, we need to get into the cycle soon enough so you can make plans to get things done. We have the understanding it won't be tomorrow that you can do this because you have to budget it, so we would ask that you plan as you can for the next several years," Wright said.

Wright asked the board to consider putting in 12 windows, three at the North Lee County Courthouse and nine at the South Lee County Courthouse at a cost of about \$1,000 each.

He asked that the windows be either shatter-proof or bullet proof to allow some protection and time for employees in the event of an attack by someone. He also requested card readers be placed on all internal doors, panic buttons be put on lanyards for all employees and eventually fund a security guard for the courthouse and county buildings.

"A couple years ago we had a person walk into the North Lee County Clerk of Court's office with a cross bow and there was no protection for our employee," he said. "It can happen in the courthouse in Keokuk or Fort Madison. We need that separation or partition from the people who may want to do our employees harm."

The North Lee Courthouse has metal doors that employees can manually roll down, but those are to close up the offices at night.

"That is no good for when a bad guy comes in. Our employees can't say wait a minute while I roll this door down."

He commended the board on providing the security measures they have to date, but said more needs to be done and said ultimately a

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-John Wright  
District 8 Judge

live security person would be the best scenario.

"With an officer in the courthouse, it helps quell any situations that might arise," Wright said. "They've helped us keep a gun out of the courtroom. They've kept knives and box cutters out of the courtroom. To that end, if you can find it in your budget without cutting the

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## LCCB close to finalizing new bylaws

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

MONTROSE - The Lee County Conservation Board is close to finalizing a new set of bylaws for operations of the board.

A set of 1996 bylaws were presented to the board in December by West Point resident Rusty Robbins that outlined how the board is to conduct business on an annual basis.

Board members were given a redacted version of the bylaws as part of a refreshing of the document. Board members Sandra Fullhart-Snyder, Richard Whitaker, and District Director Nathan Unsworth make up a committee looking at bringing the bylaws current.

Unsworth said Iowa Code will still govern the board's regulations, but the bylaws are good for controlling the operations of the board itself.

"We're dictated by state code, these bylaws are more just how the board itself functions, but the overriding thing that dictates how we operate is the state code," Unsworth said.

It remains unclear if the board is still governed by the 1996 bylaws as

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## Braden, Stensvaag to lead county attorney's office

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Ross Braden, an attorney from West Point, was



BRADEN

appointed this morning, for the second time in less than a year, to lead the Lee County

Attorney's office.

Braden was sworn in by 8th Judicial District Judge John Wright at the regular meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors. Braden replaces former

Lee County Attorney Clinton Boddicker, who was appointed to an associate judge's seat in the district starting Friday.

Boddicker won the county attorney's seat in a general election in May over Braden. Braden had received an appointment from supervisors over several candidates, including Boddicker, in February when then-County Attorney Mike Short retired.

After the swearing in, Braden then informed supervisors that he was appointing Jonathan Stensvaag, a public de-

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Eighth Judicial District Judge John Wright swears in Ross Braden, for the second time in less than a year, as Lee County Attorney.

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## Obituaries/From the Front

# Bylaws may be presented at February meeting

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presented because the bylaws were to be reviewed annually by the board and considered each November.

Article 10 of the 1996 document reads – “These bylaws shall be reviewed by the conservation board each year at the November board meeting and approval or amendments proposed for revisions or corrections, amendments may be proposed at any regular meeting but must be again considered at the next regular board meeting, in open session, before adoption. Adoption shall require approval of at least four (4) board members.”

The bylaws were approved by the board at its May 1996 meeting. The bylaws also have an Article 1 that reads “Chapter 350, 1994 Code of Iowa, is the governing authority, and the purpose,

power, and duties as defined and set forth in said Chapter will control the functions of the conservation board, its employees and its facilities.

Unsworth said he was meeting with County Attorney Ross Braden next week before bringing a finalized version back to the board. He wanted Braden to look over the bylaws for any legal issues before bringing the completed set back to the board for approval. He said he was hoping to have the changes approved and back for a vote by the board at a February meeting.

In other action, the board voted - 5-0 to appoint Richard Whitaker as chairman and Harry Sylvester as vice chairman of the board.

5-0 to sponsor Pheasants Forever for \$250

### 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.

## OBITUARIES

### KARLEEN W. PUMPHREY

Karleen W. Pumphrey, 97, of Denmark passed away at 5:23 AM on Tuesday, January 09, 2018 at the Great River Hospice House.



PUMPHREY

She was born on November 4, 1920 in West Point, IA to Steven and Marion Broadfield Denning. On November 9, 1939 she married Jess Pumphrey in Davenport and he passed away on July 9, 2017. Karleen was a homemaker and also owned and operated a beauty shop in Denmark and in Ft. Madison. She enjoyed cooking, camping, boating and traveling. Karleen and Jess spent a lot of time with friends and enjoyed countless card games with them. She was a lover of nature and enjoyed sitting on her front porch watching the moon and stars.

Karleen was of the Christian faith. Her family was her greatest love and she was especially fond of her time spent with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Survivors include one daughter, Kay (Martin) Rogers of Spring, TX; three grandchildren, Paige (Trent) Yackimec, Lacey (Jared) Capps and Brent (Diane) Pumphrey; five great grandchildren, Michael and Caden Yackimec, Brianne Johnson, Kayla Christenson and J.D. Pumphrey; four great great grandchildren, Ava and Wesley Johnson, Benjamin and Everett Christenson and one brother, Bill (Sue) Denning of Wapello. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a son, Jerry Pumphrey.

A private family funeral service will be held at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory with Rev. Dean Graber officiating and burial will take place in Fairview Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for Fairview Cemetery Association and online condolences may be left at [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

### JANET MARIE BETHUREM

Janet Marie Bethurem, 74 years, of Fort Madison, Iowa peacefully passed away Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at the West Point Care Center, West Point, Iowa. She was born March 31, 1943 in Burlington, Iowa, the daughter of Harrison and Ina Mae (Sarbaugh) Bethurem.

Janet attended the Fort Madison High School. She worked at the Park Ridge Workshop in Montrose for 25 years. She loved music, especially Elvis who was her idol, and playing euchre and rummy with family and friends. She was the type of individual God meant for all of us to be. She was of the Christian Faith.

She is survived by her two brothers, Gerald “Thomas” (Marie) Bethurem, of Cairns, Australia and Jim (Sandy) Bethurem, of West Point; four nephews, Jayson (Stevie), Nicholas, James (Kristie), and Michael; and two great nieces, Sadie and Sophie. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Her family will greet friends from 9:30 - 10:30 am Friday, January 12, 2018 at the Barr-Holtkamp Funeral Home, West Point. A memorial service will follow and begin at 10:30 am Friday, January 12, 2018 at the funeral home, with Pastor Chad Savage officiating. Burial will be at the Oakland Cemetery, Fort Madison. A memorial has been established for the Holy Trinity Catholic Elementary Building Fund, contributions may be made at the Barr-Holtkamp Funeral Home, West Point. Online condolences to the Bethurem Family may be made at [www.barrholtkampfuneralhome.com](http://www.barrholtkampfuneralhome.com).

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## For the Record/Current-Lee

### For the Record

#### Fort Madison Police Report

01/08/18 - 7:57 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2200 block of Avenue L.  
 01/08/18 - 2:12 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 2000 block of Avenue B.  
 01/08/18 - 4:12 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Melody Rae Clifford, 66 of Fort Madison, at the police department, on two counts of 5th degree theft. She was taken to Lee County Jail and the released on a promise to appear.

01/08/18 - 4:12 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Donald Edward Clifford, 52, of Fort Madison, on a three counts of 5th degree theft. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on a promise to appear.  
 01/08/18 - 7:33 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Charles Benjamin Smalley, 51 of Fort Madison at the police department, on a charge of simple assault.. He was released upon citation.

#### Lee County Sheriff's Report

01/08/18 - 2:04 a.m. - Lee

County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jacob Matthew Davalt, 36, of Keokuk, at Casey's in Keokuk on a charge of driving while barred,. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and then released on a promise to appear.  
 01/08/18 - 5:14 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Mathew Rohan Boon, 32, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Sheriff's office on a warrant for violation of probation. *Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.*

### CURRENT-LEE

BY PCC STAFF - Lee County Crime Stoppers will be holding a chili fundraiser at both the Fort Madison and Keokuk Hy-Vee locations on Jan. 18 from 5 to 7 p.m. Proceeds will be used for expenses and criminal payouts.

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.

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Powerball®	Wed & Sat	8:59 pm	9:59 pm
Lotto America™	Wed & Sat	8:59 pm	10:00 pm
Pick 3 - Midday	Daily	Noon	12:20 pm
Pick 3 - Evening	Daily	9:40 pm	10:00 pm
Pick 4 - Midday	Daily	Noon	12:20 pm
Pick 4 - Evening	Daily	9:40 pm	10:00 pm



1/9  
 16 29 31 65 67  
 Lucky Ball: 23  
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**State News/Classifieds**

# Details Of Weekend Mega Millions® And Powerball® Results In Iowa

## \$50,000-Winning Ticket Purchased In Marion

CLIVE, Iowa – The Powerball and Mega Millions jackpots have both ended their historic runs that for the first time saw them simultaneously top the \$400 million mark.

Friday's \$450 million Mega Millions jackpot was won with a ticket purchased in Florida, while Saturday's \$559.7 million Powerball jackpot was won with a ticket purchased in New Hampshire.

In Iowa, players won nearly 42,000 prizes ranging from \$4 up to \$50,000 in Saturday's Powerball drawing. The \$50,000-winning ticket was just one number away from having a share of Saturday's jackpot, matching four of the first five numbers and the Powerball. That lucky ticket was purchased at Hy-Vee, 3600 U.S. Highway 151 in Marion.

**WINNING NUMBERS IN BOTH GAMES**

The winning numbers in Saturday's Powerball jackpot drawing were: 12-29-30-33-61 and Powerball 26.

The Power Play® number was 3.

Meantime, the winning numbers in Friday's Mega Millions jackpot drawing were: 28-30-39-59-70 and Mega Ball® 10. The Megaplier® number was 3.

Both jackpots return to their starting amounts of \$40 million for the next drawing.

The \$50,000-winning ticket can be claimed at any Iowa Lottery office, the closest of which to the store where the ticket was purchased is in Cedar Rapids.

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With the jackpots garnering such attention, the Iowa Lottery continues to urge the public to play responsibly. "You've seen us say this many times, and we really mean it," said Iowa Lottery CEO Terry Rich. "It only takes one ticket to win. Have fun playing, but stay within your means and don't get in over your head. The fun of our games is that you can do a lot of dreaming for just a few dollars."



# Alaric Jackson Earns Freshman All-America Honor

ATLANTA, Georgia – University of Iowa redshirt freshman offensive lineman Alaric Jackson has been named a first team Freshman All-American by the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA). The FWAA All-America team includes 13 players on both offense and defense.



Jackson (6-foot-7, 320-pounds) started all 12 regular season games at left tackle in 2017. He is a redshirt freshman from Detroit, Michigan (Renaissance HS). Jackson was also named to the Big Ten Conference All-Freshman team selected by [BTN.com](http://BTN.com).

As a member of Iowa's starting offensive line, Jackson helped lead the way for senior running back Akrum Wadley to rush for 1,109 yards and 10 touchdowns, while sophomore quarterback Nate Stanley passed for 2,437 yards and 26 touchdowns. Wadley's rushing total ranks 12th best in a single season at Iowa, while Stanley's passing yards rank 14th. The 26 passing touchdowns ties as the second best single season total for an Iowa quarterback.

Iowa completed the 2017 season with an 8-5 overall record following its 27-20 win over Boston College in the New Era Pinstripe Bowl. Nine of Iowa's regular season opponents participated in bowl games, posting an 8-1 record in those events.

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# Public Notices/Classifieds

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL – 1/2/2018

The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, January 2, 2018, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Randolph presided with Council Members Greenwald, Morawitz, Rink, Andrews (arrived at 5:52 P.M.), Seidel, Lair and Cangas present.

Randolph gave the Oath of Office to Morawitz.

On motion, Council approved the agenda as written.

On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 12/19/2017; Liquor License Renewal: Dolar General #1577, 429 Avenue H, effective 2/10/2018, and Casey's General Store #2319, 1428 – 38th Street, effective 3/1/2018; Resolution No. 2018-01, URTE application for MBRME, LLC, 3506 Woodland Heights (new condominium); Resolution No. 2018-02, URTE application for MBRME, LLC, 3504 Woodland Heights (new condominium); Resolution No. 2018-03, URTE application for MBRME, LLC, 3502 Woodland Heights (new condominium); and Payment of Claims.

On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-04, fixing date for a meeting on the authorization of a loan agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$1,700,000 Water Revenue Capital Loan Notes, of the City of Fort Madison, State of Iowa, and providing for publication of notice thereof. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-05, accepting Avenue E from Vica Lane to 33rd Street.

On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-06, accepting the improvements in the Woodland Heights Subdivision, Phase 1, including "Woodland Heights" a concrete drive, right-of-way, and public improvements including a storm sewer, sanitary sewer and water main. A motion to amend

Resolution 2018-06 failed. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on an Engagement Agreement with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., of Des Moines, Iowa, for their services as bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of not to exceed \$1,700,000 Water Revenue Capital Loan Notes. On motion, Council approved meeting dates for 2018. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's signature on an Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds for a planning study for the Mississippi River Bridge with a local grant match of \$72,000. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's appointment of: Corey Fraise to the Planning and Zoning Commission, to fill an unexpired term ending 3/31/2018; David Soppe to the Fort Madison Housing Authority, to fill an unexpired term, term ending 6/2/2018; and Brian Wright, to the Tourism Commission, term ending 12/31/2020. On motion, Council approved the Mayor's reappointments of: Merlin Hellman, to the Southeast Iowa Regional Riverboat Association, term ending 12/31/2020; Loren "Andy" Andrews and Dan Reppert to the Historic Preservation Commission, terms ending 12/31/2020.

Following a five minute recess, Council entered into Closed Session to evaluate employees pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i). At 7:30 P.M., with no action taken, Council exited Closed Session. Council then entered into Exempt Session under Iowa Code 20.17(3) to discuss collective bargaining strategy with the City's bargaining representative, Lynch Dallas, P.C. With no action taken, at 8:09 P.M., Council exited Exempt Session.

At 8:10 P.M. on motion, Council adjourned until January 16, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.

/s/ Bradley A. Randolph, Mayor

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

EXPENDITURES	
General	\$ 13,003.75
Sp. Rev. Funds	227,602.85
Road Use	110,684.34
Debt	757.78
Capital	8,341.97
Water	206,988.33
Sewer	2,966,034.90
Solid Waste	56,409.07
Storm Water Util.	16,015.13
	<b>\$3,605,838.12</b>

PAYROLL	12/22/2017
General	\$171,519.25
Spec. Revenues	10,171.57
Road Use	24,820.94
Water	24,658.90
Sewer	39,926.86
Solid Waste	11,698.71
Storm Water	3,272.51
	<b>\$286,068.74</b>

REVENUES	12/15-12/31/2017
General	\$ 16,974.65
Special Rev.	497,039.42
Road Use	11,415.32
Capital	3,250.88
Water	8,382.53
Sewer	34,416.60
Solid Waste	839.41
Storm Water Util.	146.00
	<b>\$572,464.81</b>

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# County Attorney position up for election in 2018

*Position open to summer primary, November general election*

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fender working out of Burlington, to be the assistant county attorney.

"I know Jonathan to be an incredibly sharp, knowledgeable attorney who knows how to battle in court," Braden said after the meeting. "He's handled anywhere from 15 to 17 jury trials, has handled many Class A felony cases, and has been practicing locally for about seven years. He's a very competent, respected, and well-rounded attorney and will be a great addition to the office."

Braden said Stensvaag would have to sever ties with the public defender's office and would probably give two weeks notice, but hinted that Stensvaag could start sooner because of the nature of the job offer.

Stensvaag also made the final cut for the judicial seat Boddicker was appointed to last month.

The County Attorney's position is also up for election this year with a summer primary and general election in November. Braden said he will seek election this year to stay in the position.

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## Sports

# HTC boys stay focused on learning, experience

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The young Holy Trinity boys basketball team continues to take its lumps, but Head Coach John Hellige says the focus is on having fun, learning, and gaining confidence as the season progresses.

The Crusaders dropped a 49-71 loss to Van Buren Tuesday night for the ninth loss of the season against two wins.

But despite the lopsided season, the Crusaders are still building a team and looking forward to the rest of the season and the two or three more years they have to play together.

Reed Fehseke started the game with a 3-pointer, but the Warrior's Mason McDonough hit inside and Jacob Peckler hit a 3-pointer to wipe out the early Crusader lead.

Quentin Schneider then hit from the left baseline for a 3-pointer for HTC to retake the lead but then Van Buren went on an 11-2 run to end the quarter up 16-8 highlighted by McDonough's eight points. He finished with 23 to lead all scorers on the night.

Van Buren outscored HTC 17-9 in a second quarter that almost mirrored the first. The Crusaders wilted under a smothering match-up zone defense that kept the ball on the perimeter and didn't allow for many clean looks for HTC's long range shooters as the Warriors held a 33-17 halftime lead

"Their defense was kind of suffocating and we had a lot of in and outs and if just a few of those had fallen in, it would have been a different game," Hellige said.

Hellige said he changed some things up in the second half and the Crusaders began to get some offensive penetration that opened up shooting a bit. Holy Trinity started the third quarter with a 9-3 run capped by a Fehseke 3-pointer to close the gap to 38-26. Hellige called a time out after the basket, but McDonough converted inside to halt the run.

Peckler hit back-to-back 3-balls sandwiched by buckets inside from senior Jaeden Gerig, while HTC only managed a bucket by Matt Hellige inside.

The Crusaders were able to match buckets with the Warriors in the third quarter, but Van Buren pulled away in the fourth quarter with five more points from McDonough and a 3-pointer by Peckler. A last minute 3-pointer banked in by JT Metcalf capped the scoring.

Matt Hellige, who finished with a dozen points on

the night, said the losses don't dishearten him as the season progresses.

"We're really young and we're just learning as we go," Hellige said. "We try to stay positive. We know we got a couple more seasons to play and we're just looking forward to the next game and the next season."

Sophomore Quentin Schneider, who's scored in double figures the last two games, said the team improves with each game.

"I feel like we're greatly improving. We're working very hard in practice and we have next year with most of the same players so we're looking forward to that," he said.

Coach Hellige said he's trying to keep the season fun. "They're a good team with a good mix of height and shooters so they're a really solid team," Hellige said.

"We're just trying to keep it fun and keep it positive. As I shake hands with other coaches, I tell the kids what they tell me, which is "hang in there, better days are coming, you've got a ton of talent and you're young. I worry about the kids getting disheartened, but we're just trying to keep it fun,"

Brant Holtkamp and Reed Fehseke each had nine points for Holy Trinity while Adam Rauenbuehler had a bucket and Jake Eaves hit on a 3-pointer. The Crusaders now face WACO on Friday night, which is Homecoming night at Shottenkirk Gym.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



At top, Brant Holtkamp goes to the hoop in the lane in early second half action of the Holy Trinity Catholic 49-71 loss to Van Buren Tuesday night at Shottenkirk Gymnasium. At left, sophomore Matt Hellige goes up for one of his 12 points on the night.

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Sports

# HTC girls fall to Van Buren

*Crusaders host Waco Friday, which will also be Homecoming festivities*

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The Van Buren Warriors threw 6'3" sophomore Taryn Scheuermann repeatedly at Holy Trinity Tuesday night and took a second win of the season from the Crusaders 45-32. Scheuermann scored 23 points, mostly under the basket, as the Crusaders tried using junior post Emily Box and sophomore Avery Hopper underneath to disrupt her. Scheuermann is averaging 18.6 points per outing, 17th in Class 2A in the state. The Crusaders only got six points from

Brett Schneider who's third in the Southeast Iowa Superconference in scoring with 17.5 points per game. Schneider gets the majority of her points from layups in transition, but the Crusaders couldn't get into the uptempo style of play that triggers Schneider's points. "They play a pretty good half court 1-3-1 defense and they're big across the middle. With the Scheuermann girl in back it was hard for her to get inside and get her layups," Head Coach Tony Johnson said. Holy Trinity dug out of an early 10-3 deficit to come back to within two at 17-19 with just over two min-

utes remaining in the first half when junior Taylor Boeding hit a 3-pointer. Scheuermann countered from inside the lane to push the lead back to 4, 21-17 at the half. The second half started much the same, but Holy Trinity went quiet shooting only managing three free throws until :49 seconds left in the third quarter when Madison Mohrfeld converted inside after hitting two free throws on the previous play. The Warriors took that opportunity to go on an 8-3 run in the period, highlighted by three straight buckets by Scheuermann and the Warriors had a 31-24 lead at the end



Photo by Ava Peitz/PCC Intern

HTC's Brett Schneider and Emily Box (20) bring the ball up the floor against Van Buren in a 45-32 loss Tuesday at Shottenkirk Gymnasium.

of three. "We didn't have a very good third quarter and had a stagnant offense," Johnson said. "We didn't move well, we tried to get inside and we had some luck but we just didn't shoot very well. Johnson, who usually employs a full or three quarter zone press, said Van Buren's height prevented from him deploying the pressure game. "We tried some presses, but they're tall enough that they can throw it over us so we had to back it down some," Johnson said. "We tried a little half court and that didn't work and then towards



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HTC junior Emily Box tries to move inside on Van Buren's Taryn Scheuermann Tuesday night.

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**From the Front/Sports**

# Wright asks supervisors to budget for security measures to protect county employees

*Security officers, card readers, and panic buttons among requested items*

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sheriff's budget to increase our security, we would ask you to do that."

He said a security person could travel with the treasurer's office, whether it was open in Keokuk or in Fort Madison. When that person is in South Lee County, that person could cover the first floor offices.

Wright also asked for card readers for the internal doors as well as external doors at the buildings. The county is currently in the process of putting card readers on most external doors at the courthouses.

A request was also made to have panic buttons, which are in place in sporadic locations throughout the courthouses, purchased for all employees that could be placed on a lanyard that is carried with the employee at all times during the day. Wright said those would cost \$149 per button.

"We already have a lot of them, we just need to fill in the gaps. Instead of having them hanging on a hook, we need to have them on the person at all times. That's a very simple solution to a security concern we have," he said.

"These are pretty inexpensive solutions. The most expensive would be an actual live person in the courthouses all the time to keep the peace. I understand

that this isn't something you can just pull out your checkbook for, but I do ask that you put these in your budget," Wright said.

At the end of the day's budget reviews, board chair Don Hunold asked County Budget Director Cindy Renstrom to put \$50,000 into the preliminary county budget to address some of the issues. Supervisor Gary Folluo said the money could come from Iowa Fertilizer Company revenues, but cautioned everyone that all the requests would not be carried out in one year.



HUNOLD

Supervisor Matt Pflug said the county has "been kicking this can down the road for years" and said he wouldn't want anything to happen to any county employee on his watch.



PFLUG

The budget review process took place Monday and Tuesday with a few departments still remaining to present their budgets to the board. The county board takes the budget requests from each department and then formulates a countywide budget based on projected incomes before scheduling a public hearing to approve the 2018-2019 budget.

# Lady Crusaders outmanned by bigger class

**HTC** - Continued from Page 8

the end, and I knew it would take a lot of our energy, but we tried a man press and it worked for the most part. But we were far enough behind that we got them into the double bonus and couldn't catch up."

The Crusaders were able to cut the lead to nine on two separate occasions, but the deficit forced the Crusaders to foul to try and keep the ball which backfired as Van Buren went 6 of 6 from the free throw line in the final 90 seconds. Johnson said the girls played well against the bigger school.

"We played two really great games and I thought we played well tonight," he said. "That's a big 2A school with big kids and we hung right with them and had the score in single digits a couple of times."

Boeding led the Crusaders with 12 points all on 3-pointers, Schneider had six points, followed by Emily Box and Madison Mohrfeld with five. Avery Hopper scored three points and Eryn Anderson scored a point. Box led Holy Trinity with eight rebounds and five blocks.

The 5-7 Crusaders host Waco on Friday night, which will also be the HTC Homecoming festivities.



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