



# Pen City Current

Monday, August 14, 2017 | 9 pages | Volume 1 • Issue 195

## Fall Sports Preview

### Bloodhounds look for winning season

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

FORT MADISON - You could throw up the adage, there's no place to go but up for the Fort Madison Bloodhound football team.

You could.

Telling stats would include an 0-9 record capped off with a 0-81 dismantling at Washington to cap off last season; an anemic passing game that saw just 12 completions for 117 yards on the year, and only seven touchdowns scored on the year, just to name a few.

But first-year head coach Tony Shiffman feels that may be just a bit disingenuous to a team with decent numbers and a renewed sense of pride and invigoration.

The Hounds, (Class 3A, District 5), kick off the

season Aug. 25 at home against Davis County. The game was originally scheduled to be played on the road, but was moved to Fort Madison due to construction on the Davis County football facility.

Shiffman said he's targeted a 6-3 season and the team is buying into the new program.

"You know... we've had some good practices so far. Our numbers aren't



SHIFFMAN

quite what we wanted - not quite what I hoped for, but they're up," Shiffman said. "I think we can be a good team this year. I put the target out that we can win six games and I'm sticking to that. We have good athletes and a good senior core."

That core will be led by Shance Redd-Donald, the team's only returning 1st Team All-District player. Redd-Donald led the Hounds last year in rushing with 334 yards on 71 carries and three scores. He also led the team in tackles with 33.5, 29 of which were solo tackles mainly in the secondary. He snared three interceptions to lead the Hounds there as well. He

will be playing receiver on offense and roam as a free safety in the secondary on defense, Shiffman said.

"Shance is going to be a great player for us. He's our lone returning All-District player and he was unstoppable in 7-on-7s this summer."

Senior Alex Gully returns from a campaign where he carried the ball

See FOOTBALL, page 2

### Proctor led mythical state football champions

With the Friday-Night-Lights season nearly upon us, I'll relate a story that I've been itching to tell for some time.

It's the story of when Mt. Pleasant's



SWARM

high school football team went undefeated and, incredibly, un-scored upon. The year was 1963. However, this is more than just a football story. It's a story about winning, tragedy, and never giving up.

Tim Proctor was the quarterback of Mt. Pleasant's famed high school football team of 1963, that went undefeated and un-scored upon. I was fortunate to catch up

with the quarterback of that championship team, Mt. Pleasant native and resident, Tim Proctor. Tim is 70 years young, and looks to be in great shape. I'll bet he can still drill a button-hook pass, or run a quarterback keeper around the end.

Actually, Tim is quite modest and, for an ex-quarterback, very soft spoken. He doesn't brag (his wife was in the next room) but just relates the facts, as if they were the most natural set of circumstances. And maybe they are, because the team was coached by the

See SWARM, page 8

### Box, Rashid to lead HTC spikers

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - With close to 25 years coaching youth and high school volleyball, Holy Trinity Head coach Melissa Freesmeier has a pretty businesslike approach to the upcoming season.

After the Lady Crusaders were dropped in a three-set loss to Janesville in the state semis last year, the Crusaders are looking to repeat last year's 36-3 success and maybe get a shot at the state title again this year. At one point the Crusaders had one 15 straight matches giving up only three sets.

But Freesmeier said for that to take place, HTC will have to be more of a defensive squad this year.

The squad will be relying on junior Emily Box, who was second in the Southeast Iowa Superconference at the net last year with 435 kills and a 43% kill efficiency. She trailed only Burlington Notre



FREESMEIER

See CRUSADERS, page 4

### Lady Hounds eyeing state

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison girls volleyball team is hoping to build on last year's conference title for a deeper run in the post season.

The Hounds ended the season 22-10 with a loss to Cedar Rapids Xavier in the second round of the post season after knocking off Keokuk.

Senior Amber Dilsaver returns as the Southeast Conference's most dangerous player at the net with 387 kills, a full 178 ahead of Fairfield's Shelby Heston. Dilsaver also finished the season with a 30% kill efficiency. A kill is a scoring hit off a spike or tip. Defensively, she led the conference with 79 blocks on the season.

Senior Courtney Woodley was fifth overall in the loop in 2016 with 185 kills and 15% kill efficiency. Junior Kaeli Hutson and



BAILEY

See HOUNDS, page 9

### Advertiser Index

Boulders Inn & Suites Fort Madison..... P.6	Hill Side Inn ..... P.5
Classifieds ..... Ps.5-6	Hope Associates Real Estate ..... P.5
Dr. Mark C. Pothitakis and Associates..... P.3	Lee County Bank Mobile ..... P.9
Fort Madison Chamber Riverview Games..... P.5	State Farm – Thomas Klann..... P.6
Fort Madison Depot Farmers' Market..... P.5	The Kensington ..... P.9
Fort Madison Main Street Big Buckle Bash..... P.5	The Madison / Rodeo Park Rehab ..... P.6
Great River Regional Waste Authority ..... P.8	Trailways Travel..... P.2
Griffin Muffler & Brake Center ..... P.4	Tri-State Rodeo ..... P.7
	West Liberty Foods..... P.5

### News Index

For the Record..... P.3
From the front..... P.3
Local News..... P.3
Lottery Numbers..... P.3
Sports..... Ps.2,4,9
Weather..... P.8

Scan the code to  
Subscribe today

Paid & Free Options Available!



# SPORTS

## Shiffman targets six wins with new-look Hounds

**FOOTBALL** - Continued from Page 1

72 times for 168 yards. Shiffman said Gully will be the featured back in a spread offense this year.

"Alex is gonna be our workhorse. He's had a great off-season, a great summer, and a great start to fall camp. We're gonna run a spread and he'll get the bulk of the carries," Shiffman said.

Junior Lennon Barker was third on the team in carries as a sophomore last year with 57 yards on 37 attempts, mostly from the quarterback spot. Shiffman said Barker will, in all likelihood, be the signal caller this year. But Will Larson, who's just a freshman, is geared up to step in should something happen with Barker.

"It's probably gonna be Lennon, he's a junior, but Larson is our backup who's a freshman and has come a long way. If something drastic were to happen to Lennon, knock on wood it doesn't, I'm very comfortable with Will going in and managing the game."

Lorenzo Riles led Fort Madison in receiving with four receptions for 45 yards as a junior last year.

Senior Elijah Barnes is returning to football and will anchor the offensive and defensive line.

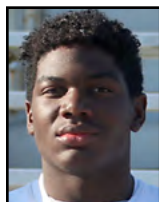
Shiffman said Barnes has stepped in and had an immediate impact on leadership for the team as well as picking up offensive and defensive

schemes quickly.

"Elijah Barnes is out for the first time since, I think, his freshman year. He's really taken a big leadership role and he's somebody who has impressed the coaches, a lot of other people, and done great stuff on the offensive and defensive sides of the line."

Dalton Mabeus and Tyler O'Tool, both returning seniors, had 31 tackles last year each and O'Tool had two sacks on the year. Riles and Gully each had 27 tackles. Diego Lozano had 12 tackles as a freshman last year including a sack.

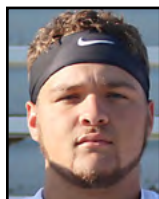
"Defensively, we're flying around and we've got a lot of guys back on



GULLY



REDD-DONALD



BARNES

that squad," Shiffman said. "That can be good and bad because they gave up a lot of points last year. But I've got a great staff working there and the kids are doing some good things. We're learning things quickly and picking up on the

defense. They're gonna get us the ball and make some stops."

He wasn't ready to name starting defensive spots yet because there is still time to get a better look at personnel and with a scrimmage coming up against Mediapolis, things should settle in after that.

Shiffman said he'd like to get out of the gate with a couple of wins and show not only the team, but also the community, that times

are changing.

"It's a matter of getting them out and getting some success and letting them feel that success," Shiffman said.

Looking into district play, Shiffman said the district is very competitive.

"We've got Osky (Os-kaloosa), Fairfield, West Burlington, Solon....Ke-okuk. It's a tough district and we're gonna have a good test early opening with Davis County and Central Lee. Then we go to Osky and that will be a tough one, but it will help answer a lot of questions about how good our players are," Shiffman said.

West Burlington-Notre Dame just voted two weeks ago to allow Danville to join the program which infused just over 20 players into the program.

"That hurts us a bit, but that helps them a lot. It's always nice when you get good participation from your co-op," he said.

Junior A.J. Nolting will be doing the kicking for the Hounds. Nolting was 3-of-5 kicking PATs last year as a sophomore and

0-for-1 in field goal tries.

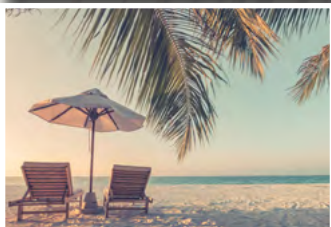
The buzz in the community is something Shiffman said he's been picking up on and he hopes that transitions into big crowds for the games.

"I've heard about the excitement from other people and that's what's great about having six home games. We get to open up Aug. 25th at home and we'd love to have a packed house so they can see the product on field. They need to see we're turning a corner. I talk about the kids buying in, but it would be great if the community bought in as well."

As far as the kids buying into the program, Shiffman said he'd still like to see more numbers.

"One of the tough things is to get some of the kids in the school who look at this program and say, 'Oh, they're terrible.' We need those kids to come out and help the program. They're just making too many excuses. They need to see what's going on...that this is a different brand, and a different era."

### RIU TROPICAL BAY NEGRIL All-Inclusive Resort February 16-24, 2018



The RIU Palace Tropical Bay Hotel is located on Negril's 7 Mile Beach, one of Jamaica's most stunning! The amenities available at the RIU Palace Tropical Bay Hotel are countless, and they'll make your stay unforgettable. Overlooking Bloody Bay on the Caribbean coast, this all-inclusive resort with Victorian-style details is right on the water. The Seven Mile Beach is known for its white sands, and very calm and crystal clear waters.

You're guaranteed to have fun at this Jamaican beach resort! You can enjoy one of the many swimming pools or take advantage of the direct beach access. RIU also offers a recreation program where you can enjoy all types of activities and live shows day or night, as well as the Renova Spa located within the resort.

The Resort has been designed to give you the best quality and variety of food options. You'll get to taste the finest international, Japanese, and Italian cuisine, or try the best Jamaican barbecue beside the beach! This all-inclusive resort also has four bars located in different zones so that you can enjoy refreshments any time of day (or night!).

Jamaica is a unique country where you are sure to have unforgettable experiences. There will be plenty to do off the resort as well -- all within walking distance, including Booby Cay, Kool Runnings Water Park, Times Square Mall, Throne Room and the Negril Hills Golf Club.

**TOUR INCLUDES:**

- Deluxe Roundtrip Motorcoach Transportation // On-board Friendly Host
- Pre-night hotel stay at Drury Inn, St. Louis with Kickback Reception
- Round-trip, non-stop flight from St. Louis, MO to Montego Bay
- 8 days, 7 nights at the RIU Tropical Bay Negril
- ALL food, beverages, alcohol, and gratuities are included while at the resort

**SINGLE \$3300 PP / DOUBLE \$2625 PP**

\$50 CLUB MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT IS AVAILABLE

\$500 DEPOSIT / PIF 10-20-17



(319) 753-2864 Ext. 162

www.trailwaystravel.com

3211 Divison St • Burlington, IA 52601



### IOWA LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS

#### Lotto Drawings

Game	Draw Days	Sales Cutoff Time	Approx. Drawing Time
Lucky for Life®	Mon & Thu	8:30 pm	9:38 pm
Mega Millions®	Tues & Fri	8:59 pm	10:00 pm
Powerball®	Wed & Sat	8:59 pm	9:59 pm
Hot Lotto®	Wed & Sat	8:18 pm	9:40 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



8/13 MID-DAY  
6 7 9  
8/13 EVENING  
8 2 8



8/13 MID-DAY  
9 7 0 4  
8/13 EVENING  
8 6 4 7

Pen City Current encourages you to play responsibly.

Charles Vandenberg, Editor  
(319).371.1670  
editor@pencitycurrent.com

Lee K. Vandenberg, Sales Manager  
(319).371.4125  
sales@pencitycurrent.com

Copyright © 2016 by Pen City Current  
All published materials are property of Pen City Current and cannot be used without express written permission.

Pen City Current  
Founded in 2016



P.O. Box 366 | Fort Madison, IA

Nissa Rung, Advertising  
(319).520.8953  
n.rung@pencitycurrent.com

Shawna Ross, Advertising  
(319).470.0622  
sross@pencitycurrent.com

Pen City Current and www.pencitycurrent.com are products of Market Street Publishing, LLC. Pen City Current is published Sunday through Friday mornings.

# Keep Your Teeth Healthy And Your Smile Bright



Dr. Mark C. Pothitakis will begin seeing patients on Wednesdays in the downtown Fort Madison office beginning August 23.

*Schedule your appointment today | (319) 372-3614*

**Fort Madison Family Dentistry**  
726 Avenue G, Fort Madison, IA 52627  
319-372-3614

*Dr. Jonathan Dingeldein*

*Mon-Thur: 8:00am - 5:00pm  
Friday: 8:00am - 12:00pm*

*Dr. Mark C. Pothitakis*

*Wednesday: 8:00am - 5:00pm*

[www.drmarkdds.com](http://www.drmarkdds.com)



## Sports

# Crusaders working with smaller lineup in 2017

**CRUSADERS** - Continued from Page 1

Dame's Emma Lynch who graduated last year in those stats.

The Crusaders will lose the offense power of Ali Randolph who was fourth in the league in kills with 348. Randolph also led the conference in aces with 58. Also lost to graduation were Shyanne Moeller and Danielle Scheetz.

Another big loss will be that of junior Mya Lawlor, who went down with a knee injury in soccer and had to undergo ACL surgery and if she's able to play at all, it will be in late October.

"They told me it would be late October so I'm probably going to be out for the year," Lawlor said.

Freesmeier said Lawlor is doing everything the doctors are telling her and there's a chance she could play very late in the season, but right now she's just lending support to the team and rehabbing.

Maya Rashid, who was third in assists in the conference in 2016 with 533, will be back to anchor the setting duties as a senior.

Freesmeier said the team will be a good mix of juniors and seniors and she's hoping some underclassmen will step into roles this year.

"Were gonna be young again with lots of kids coming back," she said. "Lots of juniors and seniors that can step up big this year. We'll have to wait and see. We had a good week in Nebraska a couple of weeks ago. I'm excited about the season."

The dynamic of the squad may change a bit this year as Freesmeier may move to a 5-1 system instead of the traditional 6-2 set she's been running for the past couple of years.

"This is new for us. The last couple years we ran a 6-2. Picking up that middle position will be huge for us," she said. "Madison Mohrfeld and Emily Dingman are



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

HTC Head Coach Melissa Freesmeier, gives direction to the Lady Crusader's 2017 volleyball squad at practice Wednesday afternoon. The squad lost three players off the team that went to the state semifinals last year and will be without junior Mya Lawlor who underwent ACL surgery after soccer season ended.

incoming seniors that I'm looking to take that role. We ran two setters last year so we had three hitters in the back row. Maya will be moving around and doing most of the setting."

She said the team has a long way to go, but she has a strong group of kids and defense will be the key because the team is smaller than in past seasons.

"Besides Box, of course, we're gonna lean on her and Maya Rashid as two crucial leaders to the team, but we've got Taylor Boeding and Eryn Anderson and I'm hoping they step up for us."

She said with Lawlor being out on the defensive side of things, Elise Pothitakis has some big shoes to fill but is proving to be another great defensive player. The

team will also be looking to Samantha Hoenig on the right side.

Twelve girls will be on the varsity squad in a 10-person rotation, but Freesmeier has 26 girls out this year.

"Right now I'm looking at 10-player rotations and with substitution and all the rules they have out there now it's going to be interesting."

The stiffest competition according to Freesmeier will come from New London and West Burlington and Van Buren in the south SEISC division. The Crusaders will face some north division tests and she said they'll have to be ready for Mediapolis.

"We'll have to be tough to beat them. They always come out with a good squad," Freesmeier said.

## Let Griffin's Help Send Your Student Off Safe & Sound

Receive up to

**\$60**

Pre-Paid Visa Card

On a qualifying purchase of brake pads

Now through September 30th, 2017

Click Here for more details or to schedule your appointment online!



**CarCare ONE**  
6 MONTHS SAME AS CASH ON PURCHASES OF \$199 OR MORE\*  
when you use your CarCareOne™ credit card.  
\*Subject to credit approval. Minimum monthly payments required. See store for details. Credit is extended by Synchro Bank.

Mention these coupons at time of service!

**\$25 OFF**  
Any Repair or Maintenance Order \$250 or More

**\$50 OFF**  
Any Repair or Maintenance Order \$500 or More

**\$75 OFF**  
Any Repair or Maintenance Order \$750 or More  
Excludes tires and batteries. Cannot combine with any other offers. One time use. Valid for a limited time only!

**\$10 OFF**  
Oil Change  
Includes FREE Seasonal Check Up:  
✓ Battery Check ✓ Suspension Check  
✓ All Fluids Level Check  
✓ Radiator & Coolant Check  
✓ Tire Check ✓ Lights Check  
✓ PLUS Road Test  
\*For faster service, please call ahead for an appointment. Cannot combine with any other offers. Valid for a limited time only!

535 Avenue G  
Fort Madison, IA  
319-372-2478

Mon - Thurs: 7:30am - 5:30pm  
Friday: 7:30am - 5:00pm

[www.griffinmuffler.com](http://www.griffinmuffler.com)



Ask about our NEW Customer Friendly DIGITAL INSPECTIONS!



Like us on Facebook!

Join Griffins Gratitude Rewards Program!



5% of every invoice, sales tax excluded, will be added to your Griffin Gratitude Card to use for future services up to 50% Off! Plus receive \$25 for every new customer you refer to Griffins!

# Classifieds

**Advertise  
in a brand  
new way.**

**Nissa**  
**(319)520.8953**  
**Shawna**  
**(319)470.0622**  
**Lee**  
**(319)371.4125**



#ShopLocal  
Support your local  
business community!

**5 MILLION AMERICANS COULD HAVE T1D**

BY 2050 [jdrf.org](http://jdrf.org)

**JDRF** IMPROVING LIVES. CURING TYPE 1 DIABETES.

A CFC participant. Provided as a public service.



**Immediate Positions Available**

Jr./Sr. High Math Teacher  
Part-time position available for Jr. High Math, Algebra I and Algebra II. Competitive Salary to Qualified Applicants.

Please e-mail or send your resume to:  
Michael Sheerin  
HTC  
2600 Avenue A  
Fort Madison, IA 52627  
[Michael.sheerin@holytrinityschools.org](mailto:Michael.sheerin@holytrinityschools.org)  
319-372-2486 x1

Daycare Substitutes.  
Afternoon Daycare Shift  
(2:30-5:30 pm).

Please e-mail or send your resume to:  
Stefanie Drollinger  
HTC Early Childhood Center  
2213 Avenue J  
Fort Madison, IA 52627  
[Stefanie.drollinger@holytrinityschools.org](mailto:Stefanie.drollinger@holytrinityschools.org)  
319-372-6428

Sub Arena Sandwich Shop has immediate openings for daytime positions. Please apply in person at 2805 Avenue L, Ft. Madison. No phone calls or emails please.



**ADVERTISE YOUR SERVICE BUSINESS**  
**90 days • Only \$74<sup>99</sup>**  
*2x2 Business Card Size Ad*

Place your ad online 24/7  
[www.pencitycurrent.com](http://www.pencitycurrent.com)  
Email your ad [classifieds@pencitycurrent.com](mailto:classifieds@pencitycurrent.com)  
Call (319)371.4125

**You can't beat FREE!**  
**Subscribe to #PCC today**  
**Paid options also available.**



## HELP WANTED



choose your career at **West Liberty Foods**

One of North America's fastest growing food processing companies has immediate openings for highly motivated individuals to join their team!

**IMMEDIATE INTERVIEWS EVERY TUESDAY 9AM-3PM**  
**GET A RAISE BEFORE YOU EVEN GET STARTED!**

### 2nd Shift – Slicer Technicians

Leadership AND maintenance and/or machine operator experience  
Pay: ~~\$16.67 per hour plus \$0.30 shift differential~~  
**Pay: \$17.17 per hour plus \$0.30 shift differential**

### 2nd Shift – General Production

Positive attitude and excellent attendance demonstrated by a solid work history  
Pay: ~~\$11.50 per hour plus \$0.30 shift differential~~  
**Pay: \$11.85 per hour plus \$0.30 shift differential**

Competitive benefits package includes health, vision, life, and dental insurance, employee discounts, matching 401k. Plus paid holidays and vacation effective first day of employment.



Apply online at <http://careers.wlfoods.com>

Equal Opportunity Employer

# Beautiful Period Homes



**PENDING**

631 Avenue D

4BR • 2BA • 2 car garage

Beautiful victorian home on a quiet street with an amazing wrap-around porch. All the modern conveniences. Quite a charmer! Listing #20165372, \$124,900.



403 10th Street

5BR • 3BA

This is a beautifully appointed home with all the modern conveniences. There is an extra large lot for your family to enjoy! Listing #20162159, \$164,000.



**REDUCED**

602 7th Street

3BR • 3BA

Practically perfect in every way, this 1841 home includes the latest improvements while keeping its Victorian charm. Listing #23006122, \$99,999.



*There are hundreds of great listings in the area  
and we can show all of them to you.  
Give us a call today or click here to search them!*

(319) 372-4040 • 903 Avenue G • Fort Madison • [www.seia.rapmls.com](http://www.seia.rapmls.com)



# Classifieds

**The Hill Siders**  
 Saturday, August 19th  
 7 to 10



**Hill Side Inn**  
 1135 Ave. E

**THE RIVERVIEW GAMES**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 26th**  
 10am-Noon • Riverview Park, Ft. Madison

**FREE KIDS EVENTS**  
 Minute to Win It Games, Football Toss, & MORE!

**36' INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE**  
 Bounce House for kids under 5!

**AIR EVAC HELICOPTER LANDING**  
 Weather Permitting

**GIVE AWAYS & RAFFLE PRIZE**  
 Medals presented at 12pm!  
 Raffle: 1 FREE 1 Year Kids; YMCA Pass

**FREE Cotton Candy & Lunch Provided!**

the Y, Lions Club, Rotary, HyVee, Chamber of Commerce

Please call 319-372-5471 for details.

**Elevated Comfort.**

"I keep coming back! The beds are amazing and the staff is fabulous!"  
 - Mark M.



**BOULDERS INN & SUITES**

We are expanding! 78 Rooms with choices to fit all your needs!  
 Now taking reservations for Fishing Tournaments, Sporting Events and the Annual Tri-State Rodeo!



Boulders Inn & Suites  
 Fort Madison, Iowa  
 4901 Ave O  
 Fort Madison, IA 52627  
 Tel: 319-246-1401  
 www.bouldersinnandsuites.com  
 Email: info@bouldersinnfortmadison.com

Like us on Facebook!  
 tripadvisor®



**Save for a rainy year.**

Thomas Klann RICP LTCF LUTCF, Agent  
 State Farm Agent  
 2623 Avenue L  
 Fort Madison, IA 52627  
 Bus: 319-372-5982

Get a 11 Month CD  
 FDIC-insured CD  
**1.25% APY\***

Set aside money with a fixed rate of return. I'll be there to show you rates and terms that can help you reach your goal.  
**Bank with a Good Neighbor®.**  
 CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION.

**State Farm Bank®**

\*Annual Percentage Yield as of 06/28/17. Advertised rates are subject to change at the Bank's discretion. The minimum balance required to earn the stated APY is \$500 (rates apply to deposits less than \$100,000). A penalty may be imposed for withdrawals prior to maturity. Special Term CDs renew automatically into the next highest Standard Term CD. Some products and services not available in all areas. FDIC basic coverage amount is \$250,000 per depositor, per insured bank, for each ownership category. IRA and ESA CDs are not available for terms less than 12 months. Callers who are hearing or speech impaired should dial 711 or use a preferred Telecommunications Relay Service.

**RODEO PARK REHAB**  
**Short-term rehabilitation**

Fully equipped state-of-the-art therapy gym  
 Occupational, physical, and speech therapy  
 Personalized therapy plan  
 Private rooms  
 Compassionate nursing staff

**We'll get you ready to:**  
**"Giddy Up & Go Home!"**



**319-372-8021 | 1702 41st Street, Fort Madison, IA**

**Buy Local Buy Fresh**

**Every Monday at the Ft. Madison Depot Farmers Market!**

**Fresh Fruits & Vegetables**  
**Homemade Pastries & Pies**  
 & so much MORE!

**RAIN OR SHINE!**

Located in the Ft. Madison Depot Parking Lot at 814 10th Street

Click here for more details!  
 Have Questions? Call 319-372-5471

Follow us on Facebook

Nissa Rung, Sales & Marketing Consultant  
 n.rung@pencitycurrent.com  
 319.520.8953

**Pen City current**

Fort Madison's 24/7 All Digital Source for News & Advertising • www.pencitycurrent.com

Shawna Ross, Sales & Marketing Consultant  
 sross@pencitycurrent.com  
 319.470.0622

**Pen City current**

Fort Madison's 24/7 All Digital Source for News & Advertising • www.pencitycurrent.com

**Fort Madison Main Street Presents:**

**FORT MADISON MAIN STREET'S 7TH ANNUAL BIG BUCKLE BASH**  
 AUGUST 26, 2017  
 4 PM - 12 AM

Main Street's Premier Summer Event kicking off Rodeo season welcomes all ages to join in on the fun!  
 Adults: \$5 Kids: \$2 • Food Vendors  
 Beer Tent (must be 21 w/ valid ID)  
**DOWNTOWN SHOPPING AT IT'S FINEST!**

Big Buckle Bash 2017 brought to you by:  
 Boulders Inn & Suites, Connection Bank  
 Matt Lafrenz - Country Financial,  
 Hy-Vee, J&S Electronics

**Classic Car Cruise-In**  
 Starting at 4pm



**The Voice Singing Competition**  
 Starting at 5pm



**Country Musician**

**JAKE DODDS**  
 Starting at 8pm



**Subscribe to #PCC today**  
**Free and Paid Options Available.**

**Pen City current**



**YOUR AD HERE**

**(319)371.4125**

**70TH**

# TRI-STATE **RODEO**

**ANNUAL**

**SEPTEMBER 6-9, 2017**

**Fort Madison, IA**



**Sat., Sept. 9**

**PRCA**

**Rodeo Action**

*followed by*

**Jon Pardi**

*Award-winning country star*



**Wed., Sept. 6**

**CINCH Shootout**

The best cowboys  
in the country  
competing for  
**\$120,000**  
in prize money



**Thur., Sept. 7**

**PRCA**

**Rodeo Action**

*followed by*

**Cody Johnson**

*Country Artist*



**Fri., Sept. 8**

**PRCA**

**Rodeo Action**

*with*

**Smash Mouth**

*rocking the stage*

**Get Your Tickets Now  
at [www.tristaterodeo.org](http://www.tristaterodeo.org)  
or click this ad**



**Fort Madison, IA**

**Or call 800-369-3211  
or 319-372-2550**

## From the Front/Weather

### Help GRRWA Keep Your Community Hazard Free!



Our Household Hazardous Waste Unit is open Monday through Friday 8am - 4pm. Call 800.216.2370 for an appointment.



#### Become familiar with HHW Materials:

- **Corrosive**, meaning they can corrode or burn your skin on contact.
- **Toxic**, meaning they can be lethal to humans and animals if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin.
- **Flammable**, meaning they may ignite even under normal working conditions.
- **Explosive/Reactive**, meaning it reacts violently when exposed to heat, sudden shock, pressure, or other chemicals.

Please never dispose of any of these items down your drain, they eventually pollute our rivers.

#### Acceptable HHW Items:

- Fertilizers
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Pesticides
- Household Cleaning Products
- Auto Cleaning Products
- Antifreeze
- Motor Oil
- Car Batteries
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Oil Based Paints
- Paint Thinners
- Propane Tanks
- Swimming Pool Chemicals
- Florescent Light Bulbs
- And More

If you don't see your item(s) on this list or if you have any questions please call 800.216.2370



Ft. Madison Main Office:  
2092 303rd Ave  
Fort Madison, IA  
1-319-372-6140

Keokuk Transfer Station:  
111 Carbide Lane  
Keokuk, IA  
1-319-524-6175

Visit Us Online! [www.grrwa.com](http://www.grrwa.com) | [facebook.com/grrwa](https://facebook.com/grrwa)

## Mount Pleasant may have been best in state

**SWARM** - Continued from Page 1

famed Bob Evans.

Ending in his freshman year, the Mt. Pleasant Panthers had an incredible winning streak of 40 games. As a freshman, Tim was an extra-point kicker and linebacker. In his sophomore year he was moved to first-string quarterback. Tim would lineup behind center and look at his offensive line and backfield. Five sophomores were starters. In hindsight, Tim believes Coach Evans was grooming the team for the following year.

One of the first games in Tim's junior year was a non-conference game with Cedar Rapids Jefferson, the biggest school in the state at the time. The Panthers beat them 7-zip in Jeff's house. People took notice. Cedar Rapids Jefferson would go on to win their Valley Conference.

Tim Proctor, as a junior quarterback, called his own plays, or 90% of them, running a wing-T, which was a five-yards-and-a-cloud-of-dust offense. They overwhelmed their opponents that year by an average of 30 points. The Panthers' manic defense was not about to allow a score, which drove the offense

even harder. Tim played offense.

There were no playoffs in the state at that time, thus the name, "Mythical State Champs" was being passed quietly from person to person like a flickering candle. But the Panthers were conference champs, playing a nine-game schedule, thus making it easier to go undefeated and un-scored upon. Other teams that did the same in Iowa's high school football history also did it before playoffs were born. When playoffs were added, a season could last 13 or 14 games.

In his senior year, Mt. Pleasant lost one game. They traveled all the way to Hannibal, Missouri to play on Saturday night, and got beat on the final play of the game under questionable officiating. Bummer.

The day after their final game of his senior year, a Saturday, Tim, his brother, and a teammate were going pheasant hunting over by Grinnell. Excited from the game and about pheasant hunting on opening day, the boys didn't sleep that night. They decided to leave early for their pheasant

hunt. They bagged one pheasant that fateful day.

On the trip home, Tim was riding shotgun. It was a cool fall day, with the sun shining brightly, and the feel of harvest in the air. Because they were tired, and the sun was hitting them in the face, they all fell asleep in the car, including the driver. The accident that ensued left Tim with massive facial and wrist injuries. He was taken straight to the University of Iowa Hospital Emergency Room.

Tim was a three-sport letterman and was supposed to go to Arkansas State to play football and baseball. But participating in sports, for Tim, was over. He spent most of the rest of his senior year at Mt. Pleasant in a cast and undergoing multiple surgeries. He enrolled at Iowa Wesleyan College and earned a degree in social studies.

Some people say that participating in high-school sports, or any activity for that matter, like band or FFA, teaches life lessons. Tim Proctor agrees. "Never give up. It is what it is." Even though participating in sports was over for Tim, he went on to become a teacher and coach in Iowa for 37 years, 16 of those years at New London. His last teaching and coaching assignment was at Mt. Pleasant.

When asked, he will tell about that championship year, when the Panthers went undefeated and un-scored upon. But he would rather talk about today.

Have a good story? Call or text Curt Swarm in Mt. Pleasant at 319-217-0526, email him at [curtswarm@yahoo.com](mailto:curtswarm@yahoo.com) or find him on Facebook. Curt's stories are also read at 106.3 FM in Farmington.

### 5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

MON 14 Aug

Moderate rain  
High - 70.9° F | Low - 60.6° F

TUE 15 Aug

Light rain  
High - 81.9° F | Low - 74.1° F

WED 16 Aug

Heavy rain  
High - 75.3° F | Low - 75.0° F

THU 17 Aug

Light rain  
High - 79.9° F | Low - 65.3° F

FRI 18 Aug

Light rain  
High - 76.8° F | Low - 68.3° F

[OpenWeatherMap](http://OpenWeatherMap)





**From the Front**

**Dilsaver, Johnson set to lead Hounds run at state**

**HOUNDS** - Continued from Page 1

senior McKenna Fehseke were also in the top 10 in kills for the Hounds.

“Our kids wanna win conference again this year. Last year we went 8-0 and did that, but now we want to move beyond the second round and get that chance to go to state,” said Head Coach Kent Bailey.

The Hounds lost two components of the Southeast Iowa Conference championship team in Chayse Lowney and Brittiney Harris, but are returning four 1st team all conference players in Dilsaver, Hutson, senior Leigh Johnson and junior Josie Pumphrey.

Bailey, who’s in his first

“*I was junior varsity coach for the past three years so I know them and they know me.*”

-Kent Bailey  
FMHS Head volleyball coach

year back as head coach, has seen most of the girls on his team when he was junior varsity coach and through youth volleyball.

“I’ve coached a lot of these kids previously,” Bailey said. “I was junior varsity coach for the past three years so I know them and they know me. They know what gets me frustrated and it’s usually

attitude more than play.”

Johnson almost doubled the field as a junior with 802 assists to lead the conference in 2016 at close to 10 assists per set.

“We’ve got Leigh back as a setter and Amber back in the middle. We’re also going to be relying on McKenna Fehseke as an outside hitter, Jazmine Bass at the outside or



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

The Lady Hounds are looking to use a 2016 Southeast Conference Championship as a springboard to their 2017 season and are hopeful for a run to the state tournament.

maybe middle hitter. Shyla Farmer is working on the outside hitter spot and Courtney is back in the outside hitter spot,” Bailey said.

Pumphrey was third in the conference in digs last year with 304 at 3.62/set clip.

Senior Kamryn Bailey will return as a back up hitter and defensive specialist with 1.54 digs per set.

The preseason has been

productive for the Hounds who played at an Iowa State camp and walked away with a title among 16 teams.

“We won our division and the kids were able to come home with medals,” Bailey said. “We took three seniors, two juniors, a sophomore, and two freshmen. It was team camp so we got to see a lot of different teams. There were 16 teams in our division.”

Bailey said recent trends would indicate that Fairfield will pose the toughest threat in the conference. The Lady Trojans went 21-12 on the season followed by Mt. Pleasant 17-15.

Bailey will get help on the bench from Mike Davis who was a junior varsity coach under Mike Helling and helps out with Burlington clubs. Amy Doherty and Kayla Hendrix will also be helping this year.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison Head Coach Kent Bailey works some defensive drills with his varsity squad at practice Wednesday. The Hounds are looking to repeat as Southeast Conference Champs and make a run at state with four 1st-team all conference players returning.

**Lunch & Learn**

**Dedicated to learning about all dementia types**

Held at noon the 4th Tuesday of each month in our private dining room. Call 319-372-4233 to RSVP or for more information. Click to visit our website.



**Subscribe to #PCC today**

**Free and Paid Options Available.**



**#HyperLocalSuperFresh**

**BANKING AT THE TOUCH OF A BUTTON.**

**EASY. PEASY.**



Call 319-372-2243 for more details or click this ad to download the app.



**LEE COUNTY BANK MOBILE**

MEMBER FDIC

EQUAL HOUSING