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## Early morning collision

An early morning accident at the intersection of highways 61 and 16 sent one person to the Fort Madison Community Hospital. Emergency crews were called to the scene of the accident at about 7:10 a.m. where a pick-up truck and a GMC Acadia had collided. The Acadia came to rest in an embankment on the west side of Hwy. 16 just short of the intersection. Lee County Ambulance, Wever Fire & Rescue, Denmark Fire & Rescue and the Lee County Sheriff's department assisted at the scene.

## Shottenkirk closes east side sales lot

*Dealership moves inventory, but plans to repurpose lot*

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - An empty car lot now sits on the east end of town, as Shottenkirk moved its used car inventory to its full service dealership on the city's west end.

Mike Anderson, general manager of the CarSmart location and the Shottenkirk dealership in Mt. Pleasant said the decision was made just last week to consolidate the lots.

"I just took that store over last Tuesday, and with the assistance of Greg Shottenkirk and the ownership, we decided with the Internet presence, and so much being

done on the Internet now, it would be much easier to manage one site instead of two across the city," Anderson said Monday. The time management just wasn't the best and we felt it was the best interest of clientele to put it one location."

He said the location won't be sold and Shottenkirk will probably use the building in some capacity in the near future, but wouldn't put a timeline on any decision.

"We've had a good positive response from the community," he said. "It's better to have, instead of 25 cars

there, 250-300 cars out there, which gives our customers a better choice. Sometimes people go in there and don't come to other end and don't see all the vehicles we have. This gives them other options."

He said the building is a former gas station and its uses are limited but ownership isn't looking to sell the property. He said options for future use could be a parts depot or a service station, but didn't limit to those options.

*"The time management just wasn't the best and we felt it was the best interest of the clientele to put it in one location."*

-Mike Anderson,  
General Manager

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## Facebook changes may impact news coverage

BY LEE K. VANDENBERG  
PCC SALES MANAGER

FORT MADISON - Last week, Facebook announced it was rolling out changes that would profoundly alter the way news appears in users' News Feeds, with the priority being placed on users' family and friends, in an effort to refocus the platform to fulfilling its original purpose of "bringing people together and building relationships".

The decision was reportedly spurred by recent research indicating the negative effects the platform had on the mood of users. In co-founder Mark Zuckerberg's own Facebook post announcing the change and the reasoning behind it, he states "...research shows that when we use social media to connect with people we care about, it can be good for our well-being. We can feel more connected and less lonely, and that correlates with long term measures of happiness and health. On the other hand, passively reading articles or watching videos -- even if they're entertaining or informative -- may not be as good." Read Zuckerberg's full post [here](#). You can also read the article by Adam Mosseri, the head of News Feed, explaining the expected impacts of the change [here](#).

You might have noticed some changes already as many have been rolled out in the past several months,

according to Zuckerberg's post. Facebook states the complete overhaul will take many months and, in the end, they expect users to actually spend less time on the site, but believe the time users do spend on the site will be quality time, connecting with family and friends and building those relationships, and will, therefore, be more valuable to the user. Many in the online universe expect this move to push users to Twitter and other social media formats.

The new Facebook phase-in will place priority on the content that spurs the most meaningful conversation and debate, meaning these posts will show higher in users' News Feeds. The new Facebook algorithm will predict what content users are most likely to be interested in based on these interactions, and will display this content higher in their News Feed, as well as prioritizing posts from family and friends.

Public content -- that is, content from businesses and publishers -- will continue to be displayed in timelines, but in a limited fashion and not in a prominent position. For users that currently enjoy scrolling their News Feed for news, funny cat videos and other memes, or keeping an eye on the latest sales, Facebook does offer the ability to customize their News Feeds with a new feature called "See First". However, this work around is

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## Sun dogs

A view over the Highway 61 bypass overpass northeast of Fort Madison Monday morning showed a faint version of sun dog anomalies. The sun's light shines through frozen crystals suspended in the air to create the arcs on the sides equidistant from the sun, visible here on the far left and right of the photograph. In sharp frigid temperatures the sun will take a diamond shape reaching up to a sun dog above the sun.

### 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.

# Work around available to limited extent

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limited.

In order to customize your News Feed, click on the "News Feed" tab in the left-hand menu of your News Feed and click "Edit Preferences". Then click "Prioritize who to see first" and select up to 30 pages or people that you want to appear at the top of your News Feed, keeping in mind that Facebook will automatically place posts from family and friends they predict are the most likely to be welcome at the top of the News Feed. Facebook has posted an article in their Help section [here](#) that explains this "See First" option and an additional option to prioritize people and pages using the "Follow" function.

Past algorithm tweaks made by Facebook significantly limited a pages 'ability' to reach users in an organic fashion. Many reports found online state numbers as low as 2% of the people that like a page will see content posted by the page. For example, a post to a page that has 10,000 likes, could potentially reach only 200 people, in essence forcing businesses to pay to market on the platform. At this time no announcements have been made regarding the ability for business page owners' ability to pay to advertise on Facebook to reach audiences with their messaging, or how this algorithm change might affect the results of paid advertising campaigns on the platform.

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 Clear Skies  
High– 9.0° F | Low – 8.4° F


**THU 18 Jan** \_\_\_\_\_

 Clear Skies  
High– 28.9° F | Low – 28.8° F

**FRI 19 Jan** \_\_\_\_\_

 Clear Skies  
High – 39.5° F | Low – 35.8° F

**SAT 20 Jan** \_\_\_\_\_

 Light Rain  
High– 45.2° F | Low – 27.8° F

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# Obituaries

## OBITUARIES

### MARK ANTHONY SCHIEDEL

Mark Anthony Schiedel, 63, of Wapello, Iowa passed away Sunday afternoon, January 14, 2018 at his home in Wapello.

Born August 20, 1954 in LaHarpe, Illinois the son of John Howard and Gwendolyn Ruth (Pence) Schiedel.



SCHIEDEL

Survivors include one daughter: Amy (Shane) Sabel of Wapello, Iowa; one son: Andrew (Staci McDowell) Schiedel of Fort Madison, Iowa; six grandchildren: Kaitlyn, Abbigail, Alexa, Zachary, Trevor and Wyatt; three sisters: Patricia Brockman of Franklin, Iowa, Cindy Schiedel of Niota, Illinois and Sandy Thacker of Burlington, Iowa; one brother: Jeff Schiedel of LaHarpe, Illinois; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son: Jared Schiedel and one brother: Richard Schiedel.

Mark was a graduate of Dallas City High School. He retired from Burlington Northern Railroad. He enjoyed riding his Harley, taking his Jeep to the mud road, going on country car rides with his three dogs and going on the river. Mark especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 18, 2018 at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson, Iowa.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 18, 2018 at Schmitz Funeral Home with Pastor Dean Graber officiating.

Burial will be at the Evangelical Cemetery in Donnellson, Iowa.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established in his memory.

Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson is assisting the family with arrangements. On-line condolences to the family may be left at [www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com).

### ROSEMARE P. GRUVER MORNINGSTAR

Rosemarie P. Gruver Morningstar, 88, of W. Hartford, CT, formerly of Keokuk, passed away January 7, 2018.

Rosemarie was born in Akron, Ohio, the youngest child and only daughter of Gerald A and Anna M McNerney Gruver on March 18, 1929.



MORNINGSTAR

In her younger days, she was very athletic and competitive, playing softball and basketball. She loved to dance and won many dance competitions. She had a beautiful singing voice which many of her children and grandchildren inherited.

She was an avid Iowa Hawkeye football and UConn Women's basketball fan. She loved all kinds of music, musicals, crossword puzzles, was a prolific reader, and collected clowns, but at the top of her list were her children and grandchildren. She was the biggest supporter and cheerleader any of them could ever have. She was always there to celebrate the victories and to commiserate with the defeats.

Two of the highlights of her life were spending time in Hawaii with Michelle, and her trip to Ireland, which was the dream vacation she had always wanted. Everywhere she went, people loved her.

On April 21, 1951, she was joined in marriage to William A. Morningstar. They later divorced.

She was a registered nurse, and after her divorce worked at Ft Madison Community Hospital, The Convalescent Center, and Montebello nursing homes. She was proud of the fact that she helped in the delivery of three of her great-children while working at Ft. Madison Community Hospital.

After her retirement, she made her home with her family in W. Hartford, Ct.

She is survived by her children, Peggy (Rick) Murphy of Keokuk, IA, Greg Morningstar of Orlando, Fl., Bill Morningstar of Quincy, IL., Mark (Debbie) Morningstar of Cottage Grove, WI, Jean Morningstar and Michelle Proper, both of W Hartford, CT, 16 granddaughters, 1 grandson, 16 great-grandchildren with another due in June, and 1 great-great granddaughter, one sister-in-law, Maruth Gruver of Vancouver, WA, one brother-in-law, Robert Basham of Quakertown, PA, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one son, Jeffrey, her parents, three brothers, Walter, Richard and Tony Gruver, her cousin that was raised by her parents and was considered a brother, Michael F Dodd, four sisters-in-law, Marjorie Dodd, Miriam Gruver, Josephine Morningstar, and Jane Basham, and one niece, Maureen Torma.

Per her wishes she will be cremated, and the family will meet with friends on Friday, April 6th from 6:00 to 8:00 at Vigen Memorial Home. Her memorial mass will be Saturday, April 7th at 10:00 at All Saints Parish in Keokuk. A "Celebration of Life" gathering with family and friends will be held Saturday evening, April 7 at the KC Hall in Keokuk from 4:00 to 9:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorials/donations may be made to the ASPCA or Mental Health America.

### HAROLD E. PRICE

Harold E. Price, 73, of Keokuk, IA, died Thursday, January 11, 2017 at the VA Medical Center in Iowa City, IA.

He was born on May 2, 1944 in Paris, IL, the son of Forest Raymond and Kathleen Jane Breneman Price.

Harold was a veteran of the United States Army. He served during the Vietnam War and received the Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars.

He had been employed as a carpenter.

Harold is survived by one daughter, Carrie Peck of Carbon-dale, IL, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, one sister, Nila Garrett of Pekin, IL and several cousins.

A graveside service with Military Rites will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Keokuk National Cemetery. The Vigen Memorial home in Keokuk is assisting the family with arrangements. On-line condolences may be sent to the family at [www.vigenmemorialhome.com](http://www.vigenmemorialhome.com).



### RICKY DEAN WIXOM

Ricky Dean Wixom, 53 years, of Burlington, Iowa was found dead January 12, 2018 at his home. He was born August 15, 1964 in Iowa, a son of Richard and Marjorie Lou (Moore) Wixom.

He was an auto mechanic.

He is survived by one daughter Samantha Lou Wixom (fiancé Terry Lindgren Jr.) of Fort Madison, Iowa; five grandchildren: Faith, Kaitlynn, Nevaeh, Gabriel, and Alexander; eight brothers: Eric (Wendy) Wixom, Scott Wixom, Bob Wixom, Edward Wixom, Ronnie Wixom, Terry Wixom, Richard Wixom, and Carl Wixom; three sisters: Pam Sundquist, Cheryl Bowman, and Becky Fye; nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother Tim Davis, and one sister L. Colleen Hayes.

His body has been cremated. No formal services are planned. Barr Memorial Chapel in charge of the arrangements. Online condolences to the Wixom family may be made at the Barr Memorial Chapel website, [www.barrmemorialchapel.com](http://www.barrmemorialchapel.com).



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## OBITUARIES

### DORIS A. STARK

Doris A. Stark, 94, of Keokuk, IA, died Friday, January 12, 2018 at River Hills Village in Keokuk, IA.

She was born on September 20, 1923 in Keokuk, the daughter of Albert and Mary Barbara Walter VanAusdall. She graduated from Keokuk High School with the Class of 1942.

On October 4, 1942, Doris was united in marriage to John Stark, Jr in Kahoka, MO. John preceded her in death on November 13, 2016.

Doris was a faithful member of the St. Paul United Church of Christ in Keokuk. She enjoyed all sports and was an avid Chicago Cub and Chicago Bulls fan. She enjoyed playing computer games and watching television.

She is survived by her daughter, Sandy Stark of Keokuk, her son, John (Angel) Stark, III of Montana, five grandchildren, Shane Stark of West Des Moines, Jamie Stark of Chicago, Josh Stark of Wichita, KS, David Ruark of Derby, KS and Lysa Lund of Valley Center, KS, ten great-grandchildren, one sister, Phyllis Ewing of Keokuk and several nieces and nephews including Dev Kiedaisch of Keokuk.

Besides her husband, she was also preceded in death by one daughter, Constance "Connie" Ruark, one sister, Lucille Peterson, two brothers at birth, Roger and Leonard and two sons-in-law, Bob Stark and Tony Ruark.

A visitation for family and friends will be held from 7-8 p.m., Thursday, at the St. Paul United Church of Christ in Keokuk. Burial will held at a later date in the Keokuk National Cemetery in Keokuk, IA.

Memorials may be made to the St. Paul United Church of Christ. On-line condolences may be sent to the family at [www.vigenmemorialhome.com](http://www.vigenmemorialhome.com).

### MICHAEL JOHN TEBBS

Michael John Tebbs, 75, of Bonaparte, IA and formerly of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 4:18 p.m. on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at Van Buren County Hospital in Keosauqua, IA.

He was born on January 1, 1943 in Fort Madison, IA to Floyd H. & Katherine A. Buechel Tebbs. He graduated from Aquinas High School in 1961. He married Carol A. Morris in 1969, they later divorced. He then married Miriam Holtkamp and she preceded him in death on March 8, 2011.



TEBBS

He worked at Crandon's Paper Mill, Gleason's and retired from DuPont in Fort Madison. He was a lifelong hunter, fisherman, Iowa Hawkeye fan & St. Louis Cardinal fan. He was a member of Ss. Mary & Joseph Church, Knights of Columbus and the NRA.

Mike is survived by: 2-daughters: Danielle (Lance) Vaughn of Altoona, IA & Courtney Tebbs of Fort Madison, IA; 2-sons: Brendan (Denise) Tebbs of Sugar Grove, IL & Joshua Tebbs of Columbia, SC; 4-grandchildren: Clinton Tebbs, Corinne Tebbs Owen, Katherine Vaughn & Lauren Vaughn; 1-step granddaughter: Kendyl Bechen; 1-brother: Raymond Joseph Tebbs of Fort Madison, IA & 1-sister: Geraldine Shibley of Fort Madison, IA. He was preceded in death by: his parents, 1-brother: Jackie & 1-sister: Mary.

Friends may call after 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018 with the family to receive friends from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday evening at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.

Following the visitation, his body will be cremated and a memorial mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, January 19, 2018 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established for P.A.W. Animal Shelter. Online condolences to Mike's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: [www.kinglynk.com](http://www.kinglynk.com).

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## Sports/Lottery Numbers

# Junior varsity wrestlers get five 1sts at Centerville

BY PCC STAFF

CENTERVILLE - The Fort Madison Bloodhound junior varsity wrestling team brought home five first-place finishes at this weekend's Centerville JV tournament.

Dawson Hunt, Quinton Ross, Will Larson, Martin Vineyard and Lennon Barker all claimed titles at the meet.

A complete listing of the results are below.

*At 106 lbs Owen Kruse's place is 3rd and has scored 20.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Owen Kruse (Fort Madison) won by fall over Max Maiden (Clarke) (Fall 1:46)

Round 2 - Jacob Bland (Fairfield) won by decision over Owen Kruse (Fort Madison) (Dec 5-3)

Round 3 - Owen Kruse (Fort Madison) won by decision over Brecken Courtwright (Fairfield) (Dec 7-3)

Round 4 - Caden Sales (Centerville) won by fall over Owen Kruse (Fort Madison) (Fall 0:33)

*At 120 lbs (A) Dawson Hunt's place is 1st and has*

*scored 44.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Dawson Hunt (Fort Madison) won by fall over Lucas Quick (Southeast Polk) (Fall 2:26)

Round 2 - Dawson Hunt (Fort Madison) won by fall over Luis Lozano (Ottumwa) (Fall 0:49)

Round 3 - Dawson Hunt (Fort Madison) won by fall over Brody Angstead (Fairfield) (Fall 0:21)

*At 120 lbs (B) Mason Schau's place is 2nd and has scored 29.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Mason Schau (Fort Madison) won by tech fall over Chris Bowen (Centerville) (TF 18-2)

Round 2 - Brandon Hall (Southeast Polk) won by decision over Mason Schau (Fort Madison) (Dec 6-2)

Round 3 - Mason Schau (Fort Madison) won by fall over Tommy Jones (Fairfield) (Fall 0:57)

*At 120 lbs (C) Courtney Six's place is 3rd and has scored 17.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Courtney Six (Fort Madison) won by fall over Toby Oliver (Fairfield) (Fall 4:00)

Round 2 - Michael

Thomas (Albia) won by tech fall over Courtney Six (Fort Madison) (TF 19-4)

Round 3 - Kayto Chup (Southeast Polk) won by fall over Courtney Six (Fort Madison) (Fall 2:27)

*At 126 lbs Quinton Ross's place is 1st and has scored 42.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Quinton Ross (Fort Madison) won by major decision over Cain Geesaman (Chariton) (Maj 10-2)

Round 2 - Quinton Ross (Fort Madison) won by fall over Rivers Overton (Southeast Polk) (Fall 3:57)

Round 3 - Quinton Ross (Fort Madison) won by fall over Deaunte Gilson (Kirksville) (Fall 0:12)

*At 132 lbs Will Larson's place is 1st and has scored 44.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Will Larson (Fort Madison) won by fall over Hunter Stevens (Southeast Polk) (Fall 1:08)

Round 2 - Will Larson (Fort Madison) won by fall over Tyler Starr (Centerville) (Fall 1:24)

Round 3 - Will Larson (Fort Madison) won by fall over Logan Adam

(Fairfield) (Fall 3:49)

*At 160 lbs (A) Austin Haas's place is 2nd and has scored 30.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Austin Haas (Fort Madison) won by fall over Alex Huberty (Southeast Polk) (Fall 3:50)

Round 2 - Austin Haas (Fort Madison) won by fall over Ben Brewster (Knoxville) (Fall 1:17)

Round 3 - Logan Demichelis (Chariton) won by fall over Austin Haas (Fort Madison) (Fall 2:00)

*At 160 lbs (B) Keaton Poe's place is 2nd and has scored 27.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Gavin Mills (Chariton) won by major decision over Keaton Poe (Fort Madison) (Maj 18-8)

Round 2 - Keaton Poe (Fort Madison) won by fall over Alex Camero (Fairfield) (Fall 2:51)

Round 3 - Keaton Poe (Fort Madison) won by decision over Seth Stewart (Southeast Polk) (Dec 6-5)

*At 170 lbs (A) Martin Vineyard's place is 1st and has scored 41.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Martin Vine-

yard (Fort Madison) won by fall over Will Smith (Clarke) (Fall 0:58)

Round 2 - Martin Vineyard (Fort Madison) won by decision over Colton Richardson (Southeast Polk) (Dec 7-3)

Round 3 - Martin Vineyard (Fort Madison) won by fall over Ian Padgett (Moravia) (Fall 0:14)

*At 170 lbs (B) Chance Decker's place is 3rd and has scored 17.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Chance Decker (Fort Madison) won by fall over Nathan Sims (Chariton) (Fall 1:01)

Round 2 - Kyle Hanna (Southeast Polk) won by fall over Chance Decker (Fort Madison) (Fall 1:13)

Round 3 - Zack Glasscock (Keokuk) won by fall over Chance Decker (Fort Madison) (Fall 2:52)

*At 182 lbs (B) Lennon Barker's place is 1st and has scored 44.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Lennon Barker (Fort Madison) won by fall over Wyatt Baker (Fairfield) (Fall 0:50)

Round 2 - Lennon Barker (Fort Madison) won by fall over Ethan Messamaker

(Centerville) (Fall 0:30)

Round 3 - Lennon Barker (Fort Madison) won by fall over Josh Goben (Ottumwa) (Fall 0:24)

*At 182 lbs (C) Jarrett Settles's place is 4th and has scored 4.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Brody Slack (Ottumwa) won by fall over Jarrett Settles (Fort Madison) (Fall 1:56)

Round 2 - Nyan Baker (Knoxville) won by fall over Jarrett Settles (Fort Madison) (Fall 0:48)

Round 3 - Nic Jewett (Centerville) won by fall over Jarrett Settles (Fort Madison) (Fall 4:53)

*At 285 (A) Gunther Johnson's placed 2nd and scored 27.00 team points.*

Round 1 - Jakob Chapman (Colfax-Mingo) won in sudden victory - 1 over Gunther Johnson (Fort Madison) (SV-1 3-1)

Round 2 - Gunther Johnson (Fort Madison) won by decision over Jaquan Stallworth (Albia) (Dec 1-0)

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# Officials say Shottenkirk will be back

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“Consider what the building was before, there are only certain things you can and can’t put in there,” Anderson said.

“We want positive stuff to be out there for Shottenkirk and I’m sure Greg (Shottenkirk) will be making an announcement on that in the near future.”

Cassie Gilbert, director of Fort Madison Main Street said the business and staff will be missed.

“It is always disappointing to see a business close in the downtown district and the CarSmart staff will be missed by our downtown merchants,” Gilbert said. “As always, Main Street is continuously working to bring new business into the downtown area and we look forward to seeing how the building will be repurposed by Shottenkirk.”



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Shottenkirk has closed its CarSmart location in the Fort Madison Main Street district effective Wednesday. All the inventory in the lot has been moved back to the dealership’s main lot on the west side of town.

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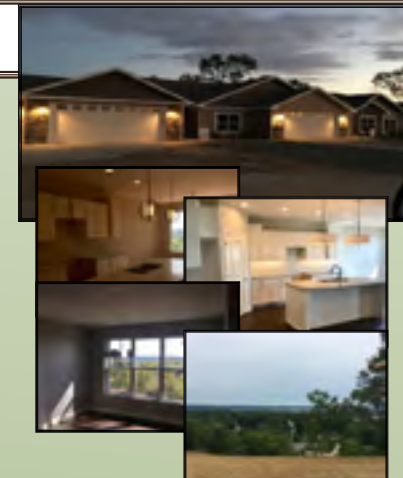
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