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HTC puts "Grease" on next week

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Grease

"Zucco" a.k.a. HTC senior Ben Tinguely and "Sandy" played by fellow senior Lillian Schierbrock take a crack at "Summer Nights" during rehearsal for the school's upcoming production of "Grease". The Pink Ladies sing backup in the background.

and actually we had a lot of people who stepped into roles and they did a fantastic job. I didn't even know they were going to audition and some of them have lead roles," Beyer said.

HTC senior Ben Tinguely landed the lead role Danny Zucco. He was also in last year's production. But with the "Grease" storyline set in the 50s and the show coming out in 1978, he said he had to do a little

research.

"My dad forced me to watch it," Tinguely said. "He said this is how you've got to act...just like Danny Zucco in the movie."

"I've seen it maybe a couple times in my life. I mean I'm familiar with it. I guess more familiar with the music than the movie, even though this is more of a play version and not the movie."

Tinguely, who said last year's musical production

was tougher because it conflicted with soccer, said this year he decided to try out because the two only overlapped by a couple of weeks.

"(Mr. Beyer) had us try out and we all just read the same parts and sang the same song, and he just asked me if I wanted to be Danny and I said 'Yeah'. So we didn't really try out for any parts, but it worked out.

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FORT MADISON - The T-Birds and the Pink Ladies are going to be invading Shottenkirk Gymnasium next weekend and antics, show tunes and Rydell High are on the bill.

The Holy Trinity Catholic High School production of "Grease" has been in the works for about eight weeks and it all comes together on March 31, April 1, and April 2. Showtimes are 6 p.m. the first two shows and 3 p.m. on April 2.

HTC music instructor Stewart Beyer, who's in his third year as choral director at the school, unveiled the program months ago with a little apprehension after his first production with Holy Trinity last year, "The Sound of Music".

"Honestly I didn't know how well received it would be," Beyer said. "We did the "Sound of Music" last year and this was something we had a lot of success with. Because of that I was hoping we'd have a lot of people interested in it

Lee County leadership team nears graduation

PCC STAFF

Lee County Leadership held its ninth and final session on Tuesday, March 21 at the Baxter's Sports Complex in Fort Madison. The focus of the session was How to Mobilize Resources and Move Into Action. Participants spent the morning discussing individual leadership roles, community power structures, SMART goals and action planning.

The program facilitators are utilizing curriculum

from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. It is a modular and interactive community leadership program based on cutting-edge research on community leadership (as opposed to individual, business or organizational leadership). Lee County was the first county in Iowa to utilize this specific approach to leadership development by piloting the program with the

See **LEADERSHIP**, page 4

Residents bring up intersection rehab again

After seven public forums residents now chide project

FORT MADISON - For the second city council meeting in a row, a resident questioned the council's direction in reconstructing the intersection at 27th Street and Avenue L.

The work, which is slated to be done this year at a cost of about a \$500,000, was approved by the council to help alleviate what City Manager Dave Varley said is a high accident rate intersection.

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Fort Madison City Council, Mike Kruse, a school bus driver in the city, told councilors that intersections don't cause accidents, people cause accidents and enforcing the law through traffic citations and a more frequent presence of local police at the intersection is a better option than spending the money.

"I drive a school bus and I go down 27th street going south every day. Every day I stop at that stoplight. When the light turns green I wait for all the traffic running east and west to run all the yellow and red lights before I enter into the intersection." Kruse said.

Kruse told the council that intersections can't cause accidents and that anyone who says that is speaking incorrectly.

"There are a lot of accidents at this intersection.. and other intersections in Fort Madison... because for a split second a person wasn't paying attention, the car had a malfunction, or the weather wasn't cooperating. An intersection cannot cause an accident and an intersection cannot be unsafe."

At last week's meeting, city resident Bob Manka also expressed concern about the city spending a half a

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Every day I stop at that stoplight. When the light turns green I wait for all the traffic running east and west to run all the yellow and red lights before I enter into the intersection."

-Mike Kruse,
FM resident

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OBITUARIES

John "Jack" L. Holvoet

John "Jack" L. Holvoet, 93 years, of Fort Madison, Iowa died at 1:05 am Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at the Fort Madison Community Hospital, Fort Madison. He was born October 13, 1923 at Fort Madison, a son of



HOLVOET

Martin and Leonie (Sabbe) Holvoet.

Jack was a lover and admirer of horses all of his life, especially the American Saddlebred. He purchased his first horse in 1942, and rode for pleasure. By 1947, horses were very popular and he became active serving as ringmaster for many of the local shows. By 1954, he became

interested in photography and started taking pictures of horses at the shows and private stables. He soon became known as one of the top horse photographers in the nation. He served as the official photographer at shows from Maine to Arizona. He worked the State Fairs in Illinois, Minnesota, and Iowa from 1961 to 1991. Other major shows he worked for years included, the American Royal in Kansas City, the Tulsa Charity in Oklahoma, and The World Cup for the Morgan Breed in Maine. He retired in the early 1990's. Due to his many contributions to the Horse Industry over the years he was honored and was inducted into the Iowa Horsemen's Hall of Fame in 1997.

Prior to his photography days, Jack was a carman for the Santa Fe Railroad for 25 years. In addition, for 20 years Jack drove a school bus for the Marquette and Fort Madison schools. He also took many wedding and school photos. He was a member of the Holy Family Parish.

He is survived by one niece-in-law, Mickie Holvoet, of Fort Madison; three great nephews: Chris (Peggy) Holvoet, of Davenport, Iowa; Martin (Alex) Holvoet, of Rome, Italy; and Brian (Sara) Holvoet, of Wever, Iowa; six great great nieces and nephews: Peter, Connor, Michaela, Mason, Grace, and Reagan. He was preceded in death by his parents, one infant brother George, one brother Frank Holvoet, and one nephew William Holvoet.

Visitation will be held 9:30 - 10:30 am Friday, March 24, 2017 at the Sacred Heart Church, Holy Family Parish, Fort Madison. Mass of Christian Burial will follow and begin at 10:30 am Friday, March 24, 2017 at the church, with Reverend Joseph Phung as Celebrant. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Fort Madison. A memorial has been established for Iowa Horsemen's Hall of Fame, contributions may be left at the church or the Barr Memorial Chapel. Online condolences to the Holvoet family may be made at the Barr Memorial Chapel website, www.barrmemorialchapel.com. Barr Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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Kathaline M. "Kathy" Medland

Kathaline M. "Kathy" Medland, 69, of Ft. Madison, passed away on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 8:04 p.m. at the Ft. Madison Community Hospital surrounded by her family.



MEDLAND

She was born on January 1, 1948 in Ft. Madison to Alfred C. "Butch" and Mary Ellen Ford Mueller. On April 21, 1970 she married Terry E. King and they later divorced. She then married John Medland on September 25, 1992 in Ft. Madison. Kathy was the owner and operator of Ft. Madison Spirits Liquor

store. Kathy was also the manager of Midwest Surplus which specialized in bags, Sheaffer Golf Course Restaurant and Casey's on the west end. She was of the catholic faith. Kathy enjoyed scrapbooking, cooking and family get togethers. She especially enjoyed spending time with her daughter and grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, John Medland of Ft. Madison; a daughter, Christine (William "Bill") King-Bowker of Ft. Madison; a son, Terry (Shelly) King of Elko, NV; a step daughter, Michelle (Nick) Kruse of Ft. Madison; grandchildren, Dakota King, Grant Niggemeyer and Kennedy Niggemeyer; step grandchildren, Myah, Erika and Kinnick Kruse; four brothers, Don (Mitzi) Mueller of West Burlington, Darrel (Dana) Mueller of Ft. Madison, Frank (Pearl) Mueller of Augusta and Mike Mueller of Burlington; a sister, Betty Ann (John) Boughton of Burlington. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Barbara and a brother, Dave.

The family will meet with friends from 4-6 PM on Sunday, March 26, 2017 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. There will be a wake service at 6 p.m. at the funeral home. The funeral mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, March 27, 2017 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery.

A memorial has been established for Autism Society of Iowa and online condolences can be left at www.kinglynk.com.

Gertrude "Gert" Mohrfeld

Gertrude "Gert" Mohrfeld, 95, of Marshalltown, IA and formerly of Fort Madison, passed away on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at the Iowa River Hospice House in Marshalltown, IA. Gert was born May 11, 1921 to Hen-



MOHRFELD

ry and Clara (Stuekerjuergen) Umthun. She was raised in the St. Paul and Pilot Grove areas. She graduated from St. John's High School in Houghton. On April 2, 1940 she married Theodore "Toby" Mohrfeld in St. Paul, IA. He preceded her in death on March 20, 1998.

Together, they farmed in the St. Paul area. Upon retirement they moved to Ft. Madison and helped their son start up Matt's Greenhouse. Gert enjoyed working in the greenhouse for many years. Toby and Gert were a constant in their children's lives. Mary Claire of Ames, James (Helen) of Tomball, TX, Ted (Paula) of Mt. Pleasant, Richard (Peg) of Ft. Madison, Anne (LeRoy) Schulte of Marshalltown, Jean (Leroy) Anderson of Maquoketa, Adele (Bud) Lampe, Dan (Brenda) of West Point, Matthew (Beth) of Ft. Madison; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren and a sister in law, Darlene Umthun of Ft. Madison, IA. Gert was preceded in death by husband, 1-daughter: Adele "Delli"; 2-brothers & 1-sister.

Friends may call after 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 24, 2017 with the family to receive friends from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and a wake service to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening all at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory in Fort Madison. The Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 25, 2017 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church in Fort Madison with Rev. Joseph Phung officiating. Burial will be held at St. James Cemetery in St. Paul, IA. A memorial has been established for the Holy Trinity Elementary School Building Fund. Online condolences may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

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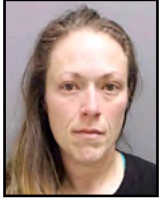
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Task force arrests two in raid of home on Avenue L

The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of two Fort Madison, Iowa residents on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.

Tachelle Nicole Dowell, 33, and Wayne Andrew Hayes, 34, both of 1920 Avenue L, Fort Madison, Iowa were arrested on March 16th, 2017 at their residence on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.



DOWELL

Dowell is charged with Possession With Intent To Deliver Methamphetamine In Excess Of Five Grams, a class B felony, Possession With Intent To Deliver Psilocybin Mushrooms, a class C felony, Possession With Intent To Deliver Marijuana, a class D felony, two counts of Drug Tax Stamp Violation, a class D felony, Child Endangerment, an aggravated misdemeanor, three counts of Possession Of A Controlled Substance (Marijuana, Methamphetamine, Psilocybin Mushrooms), a serious misdemeanor, Maintaining a Drug House, an aggravated misdemeanor, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Dowell faces up to 52 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.



SITTIG

Hayes is charged with Possession With Intent To Deliver Methamphetamine In Excess Of Five Grams Second Or Subsequent Offense, a class B felony with an enhancement, Possession With Intent To Deliver Psilocybin Mushrooms Second Or Subsequent Offense, a class C felony with an enhancement, Possession With Intent To Deliver Marijuana Second Or Subsequent Offense, a class D felony with an enhancement, two counts of Drug Tax Stamp Violation, a class D felony, Child Endangerment, an aggravated misdemeanor, three counts of Possession Of A Controlled Substance (Marijuana, Methamphetamine, Psilocybin Mushrooms), a serious misdemeanor, Maintaining a Drug House, an aggravated misdemeanor, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Hayes faces up to 137 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.

The arrests of Dowell and Hayes stem from an investigation by the Lee County Narcotics Task Force into allegations that they were involved in the use and distribution of illegal narcotics in the Lee County area. A search warrant was served in connection with this investigation and items that support the charges were discovered.

“Grease” troupe enjoying taking high school back to the 50s

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Sophomore Kyle Bredemeyer, who plays Frankie Avalon, said this year’s production is lighter and more fun, but last year’s was more dramatic and serious.

“It’s a lot of fun music, it’s just a fun musical to put on. Going from Sound of Music which was more serious and slower and this is quicker and lot more fun songs,” Bredemeyer said.

“Basically everyone is back for this one. Ben’s really good, he gets to play Danny.”

Lillian Schierbrock, a senior, also liked the change of pace of “Grease” and said she has also seen the movie.

“I’ve seen it before. I’ve also seen the live musical that they did on television not too long ago, but before that I had seen bits and pieces on television,” Schierbrock said. “But, yeah, it’s a lot of fun. I’ve been enjoying it.”

With the curtain coming up in just eight days, Schierbrock said she’s sure the cast will be good to go.

Beyer said the students are connecting more with a production that is more geared toward high school kids.

“They may not have connected personally with “Sound of Music” as they are with this one,” he said. “It’s fantastic to see them shine on the stage in a way that I didn’t know they would whatsoever. We have more realistic characters, and of course having the school version where there isn’t all the scandal, having that fits the mold of these kids here at HTC a little bit more, too.”

Beyer credited Ann Chapman with handling most of the choreography.

“I took a little bit, but she helped a lot alleviating that stress. I don’t know many that handle the music and the direction. I don’t have a pitband, so that’s a little different, but there is a lot of work to do.”

The show goes on March 31 and April 1 at 6 p.m. and there is also an April 2 showing at 3 p.m.

County leadership squad prepares non-profit projects as part of class

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LCL Class of 2016.

In the afternoon, participants hosted a panel discussion regarding crime & safety in Lee County. Panelists were: Steve Cirinna of Lee County Emergency Management, Tim Sittig Chief of The Fort Madison Police Department, Bill Young of Lee County EMS & the Donnellson Fire Department, and Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber. A second panel discussion regarding Mental Health and Addiction services featured Nicolas Foss of ADDs, Leslie Lindner of Juvenile Court Services, Ryann Wood of Lee County Community Services, Mike Mayer of Counseling Associates, and Shelly Marshall of Keokuk Area Hospital. The panel discussions provide an interactive opportunity for the participants to gain understanding of community, assets, challenges, resources, and to forge networks and connections with other leaders within the community.

In addition to gaining knowledge in community leadership, participants are using their learned skills to implement projects for the betterment of communities in Lee County. Area nonprofits submitted project proposals, which were evaluated and selected by the steering committee. The community projects that the Lee County Leadership Class of 2017 are working to benefit are: KPlay, The Friends of Keokuk Public Library and SCC Night Hawk Program. The day wrapped up with the participants giving updates on their respective community leadership projects.

The Lee County Leadership Program is a partnership between the Fort Madison Area Chamber of Commerce, Keokuk Area Chamber of Commerce, and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. It is also supported by a steering committee with representatives from the Lee County Health Department, Fort Madison Partners, Lee County Charitable Fund, Keokuk Area Community Foundation, Southeastern Community College, and Alliant Energy. The program is sponsored in part by Alliant Energy and Keokuk Area Community Foundation. Applications to participate in the 2018 Lee County Leadership program will be available soon.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

A lesson in preparedness

Members of the Lee County Leadership Academy meet with county emergency officials at the Baxter’s Sports Complex on Tuesday afternoon as part of a nine-session class that included a two-day session in Des Moines and a project to assist two non-profits in the county.

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Fort Madison Police Report

03/20/17 - 8:50 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny / theft in the Oak Drive area.
 03/20/17 - 11:16 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1900 block of Avenue L.
 03/20/17 - 1:05 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny / theft in the 1400 block of Avenue C.
 03/20/17 - 4:31 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 3000 block of Avenue N.
 03/20/17 - 11:13 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested James Allen Michael Moore, 33, of Fort Madison, at 16th and Avenue G on charges of driving while barred and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was taken to the Lee County Correction Center and jailed.
 03/21/17 - 3:35 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 2200 block of 48th Street.
 03/21/17 - 8:11 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1700 block of Avenue G.
 03/21/17 - 10:05 a.m. - Fort

Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 600 block of 18th Street.
 03/21/17 - 10:17 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 1700 block of Avenue H.
 03/21/17 - 10:17 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Heather Danielle Colwell, 27, Fort Madison, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on a charge of no insurance - accident related.
 03/21/17 - 10:22 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1100 block of Avenue C.
 03/21/17 - 10:31 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1100 block of Avenue H.
 03/21/17 - 10:48 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny / theft in the 1700 block of Avenue G.
 03/21/17 - 12:16 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 5000 block of Avenue O.
 03/21/17 - 12:16 p.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Dylan Michael Gregory, 25, Keokuk, in the 5000 block of Avenue O, on a charge of failure to stop within assured clear distance. He was cited and released.

03/21/17 - 12:34 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 700 block of Avenue D.
 03/21/17 - 1:12 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1700 block of Avenue G.
 03/21/17 - 2:45 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a property damage accident in the 2800 block of Avenue L.
 03/21/17 - 3:01 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny / theft in the 2900 block of Avenue I.
 03/22/17 - 12:50 a.m. - Fort Madison Police arrested Angela Marie McBride, 47, Fort Madison, at 23rd and Avenue L, on a charge of driving under suspension. She was cited and released.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

03/17/17 - 2:52 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on Hwy 218. A vehicle driven by Brandon Scott Dunn, 23, of Mt. Pleasant. According to reports, Dunn's vehicle was struck by a vehicle that swerved to miss an animal that ran into the roadway. Dunn's

vehicle then struck the median on the bridge. The driver of the second vehicle failed to stop at the scene. Dunn was taken to FMCH by a family member for evaluation.
 03/20/17 - 5:50 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Rachel Gennelle James, 47, Keokuk, at the Lee County Sheriff's Department, on a warrant for judgment entry / mittimus. She was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
 03/20/17 - 7:09 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a three-vehicle accident on Hwy 27 near 320th Street. The three vehicles driven by Rickardo Daley, 31, of Hollywood, Fla., Peta Gay Diana Dennis, 27, of Lauderdale, Fla., and Nicholas Junior Graham, 23, of Lauderdale, Fla., were traveling together. Daley's vehicle ran out of gas on the roadway, Dennis's vehicle slowed in time, but Graham's vehicle collided with Dennis's, which in turn collided with Daley. Airbags deployed in Graham's vehicle. No injuries were reported and no citations were issued, at the scene.
 03/20/17 - 8:34 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies re-

sponded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of 280th Avenue and Hwy 103. According to reports a vehicle driven by Hannah Louise Growe, 15 of Fort Madison, failed to stop at a stop sign and struck a vehicle driven by Robert William Schierbrock of West Point. Occupants of Schierbrock's vehicle were transported to Fort Madison Community Hospital. Occupants of Growe's vehicle were transported to FMCH by friends/family. No citations were issued at the scene. Airbags deployed in both vehicles.
 03/21/17 - 3:35 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on 240th Street near 48th Street. A vehicle had failed to make a turn in the roadway and collided with a utility pole support cable. A resident in the area told deputies that three of four subjects ran from the vehicle. The owner was contacted and said the vehicle had been stolen after it was left unlocked with the keys in the console. The vehicle was towed to the sheriff's office to be processed. No subjects are known at the time of the report.
 03/21/17 - 7:14 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's Deputies

arrested Leeroy Laveta Gray, 40, Keokuk, at the Lee County Sheriff's Department, on a warrant for failure to appear / contempt of court. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
 03/21/17 - 9:24 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Christopher Albert Burnette, 40, St. Francisville, Mo., at the Kahoka, Mo. jail, on 2 warrants for failure to appear-contempt of court. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 03/21/17 - 2:08 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Ashly Ann Erb, 33, Fort Madison, at the Des Moines County Jail, on a ourt order. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 03/21/17 - 4:52 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's Deputies arrested John Jacob Kline, 33, Keokuk, at the Lee County Sheriff's Department, on a warrant for arrest of parole violator. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed. He was later released on bond.

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From the Front

15th Street, Avenue E work to start soon

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million to redo the intersection.

“If the city does this they will put two curves in a half block on the south side of Avenue L,” Kruse said. “And I don’t understand why the city would tear up one straight street and put in two turning lanes.”

Kruse mentioned a quote from Driscoll from the Daily Democrat where Driscoll allegedly said, “It will be as straight as we can make it.”

“What does that mean,” Kruse asked in a prepared statement to the council. “I counted 20 some intersections in this town, why this intersection? There are six offset on Avenue L so again, why this intersection?”

Driscoll said he hadn’t read the paper so couldn’t respond to the quotes, but said a study was completed that showed this particular intersection had the highest accident rating in the city. He said after the study was done he presented the council with two options on the road. The first being a \$1 million renovation of the intersection going into the Fort Madison Community Hospital and the other was the intersection at 26th and L.

“We presented to the city council, mayor, and city manager at that time a plan with the improvements we needed to do and we moved with the 27th Street intersection,” Driscoll said. “It’s poorly designed. I did not design it nor am I designing this one... just to be clear.”

City Manager David Varley agreed with both Driscoll and Kruse saying that intersections technically do not cause accidents, but he said city’s work on data and that data can’t be ignored, especially when engineering experts are brought in to verify and make recommendations.

Right now the traffic through the intersection daily is about 11,500 cars per day and the intersection has an accident rating of .97 according to Varley. The second highest in the city is .78 and the lowest is .11. The rating is based on per million vehicles through the intersection.

“This intersection is offset and it’s poorly signaled. We bought the property next door to the road, I think where a Dominos or something used to sit. If you go to the alley where Hy-Vee gas is, that new street will start there and aim toward Jim Scott’s to line that up better. You should be able to get 12 cars stacked there,” Driscoll said.

“We’re also adding a right turn lane to go right down the highway toward Hall’s Ice Cream for better flow. It is an expensive intersection. But the staff felt when we gave you a recommendation it was a good option to invest in.”

Mayor Brad Randolph told Kruse that engineers told the city this would be the best way to repurpose was to improve that intersection.

“To do that we acquired the property to the west. Because there is a house to the south and an alley we couldn’t take the whole road. Is that an expensive fix, yeah. Would I rather see that half a million spent on something else, yeah. But I would personally lean toward matching those roads up,” Randolph said.

On Wednesday Varley said people tend to not worry about things until it’s right up on them, but said there were seven different public forums in 12 months to discuss the project and a citizen committee was formed to have input in the project.

OTHER PROJECTS

City Public Works Director Larry Driscoll also informed the board that work on 15th Street will begin on April 3 and that roadway will be closed for close to three months while it is being rebuilt and resurfaced all the way to Old Denmark Road. That contract stipulates it has to be 90% complete by mid July.

Driscoll also indicated on Wednesday that Avenue E in front of the Fort Madison Public Library will also be under construction starting Monday.

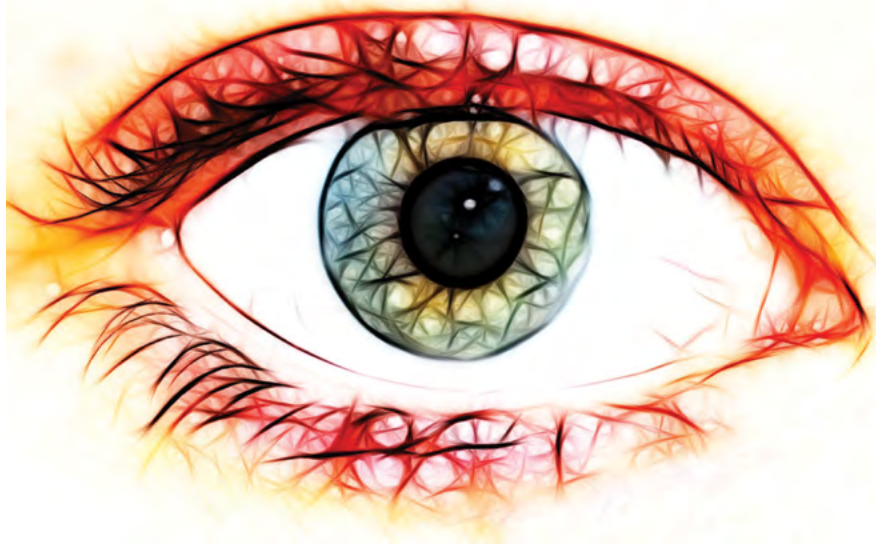
In other action, the council

- voted 5-0, to pass a 2nd reading of an ordinance vacating certain property along Avenue P to Hall Towing and set a public hearing on the vacation.

- voted 5-0 to pass the 1st reading of an ordinance changing city code Title 9. Traffic to amend standing, stopping and parking regulations and Chapter 14 Snow Emergency Regulations. As part of the changes, improper use of disability parking spaces has a fine now of \$200, illegal parking in a fire lane is \$100, all other parking fines shall be \$20 with a 25% increase for fines not paid in 30 days.

- voted 5-0 to set a public hearing on the sale of property at 3034 Avenue K to Habitat for Humanity.

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LCLH releases 2017 food guide

The 2017 Live Healthy Lee County Local Food Guide is ready to assist you and your family on where to find fresh, locally grown produce; restaurants that use fresh, local foods; grocery stores that sell fresh, local foods; food pantries who accept locally grown food donations; senior meal sites; and farmers markets where they can buy from local growers.

This is the third year for the guide which continues to grow. "Every year we have a new producer or a new restaurant to add to the guide which is exciting to see," states Emily Biddenstadt, Lee County Health Department Community Outreach Coordinator. "This year we even had to add a couple pages to be able to fit all the information."

Inside the guide is a "Quick List" which is a graph of who sells what. Past it each producer is listed with address, contact information, and hours. The restaurants listed make dishes and specials using locally grown food when in season. Along with the days and times of the farmer's markets it also indicates which ones have stands that accept WIC and Senior FMNP.

"We know the food pantry listing has been appreciated because it has informed our producers, even our home gardeners, that if they have extra there is a place that will take the produce," adds Biddenstadt.

LHLC would like to thank Fort Madison and Keokuk Hy-Vee stores, Pilot Grove Savings Bank, The Scotts Miracle Grow Company, and the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach for sponsoring the LHLC Local Food Guide.

Lee County Local Food Guides can be found all over the county. Copies are located at all the businesses in the guide plus Fort Madison Partners Office, Keokuk Area Chamber of Commerce, ISU Extension and Outreach, Fort Madison Community Hospital, Keokuk Area Hospital, and Lee County Health Department. A downloadable version can be found on the Live Healthy Lee County website, www.livehealthyleecounty.org. Or if you would like a copy mailed to you please call (319)372-5225 or (800)458-6672.

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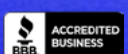
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FMHS Boys track results

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WASHINGTON - The Bloodhound boys track team capitalized on two first-place finishes by Caleb Gehle and two third-place finishes involving Elijah Barnes and several fourth place finishes to take 16th at the Steve Roth Relays Monday night.

Gehle took first in the wheelchair 100-meter dash and wheelchair shot-put and Barnes finished

third in the boys Class A shot with a throw of 43-feet, 6.5-inches. He also ran the first leg of the 4x100-meter relay weight man that finished third with Joseph Hummer, Dylan Eid and Heath Hoenig.

Shance Redd-Donald took fourth place in the long jump with a leap of 17-feet, 7-inches. Redd-Donald also ran the third leg of the boys 800-meter sprint medley with Alex Gully, Logan

Rashid and Quentin Schneider, which finished 4th at 1:44.09. He also took 4th place in the 200-meter dash in 25.6 seconds.

The 4x800-meter relay team of Jared Kester, Joseph Grabowski, Dayne Cordray, Matthew Meierotto took fifth place with a mark of 9:42.48.

Schneider took a fifth-place finish in the 400-meter dash with a time of 55.75

The 4x400-meter relay

team of Schneider, Kester, Aaron Steffensmeier and Matt Hellige took fifth with a time of 4:00:00.

All FMHS track place finishers are listed below.

Steve Roth
Washington Relays
Discus
13th - Heath Hoenig - 98'7"
Long Jump
4th - Shance Redd-Donald - 17'7"
9th - Logan Rashid 16'2.5"
Shot Put
3rd - Elijah Barnes 43'6.5"
17th - Dylan Eid - 31'7"
800 Sprint Medley Relay
4th - Alex Gully, Rashid, Redd-Donald, Quentin Schneider - 1:44.09

3200-meter run
7th - Matt Hellige - 10:39.76
10th - Aaron Steffensmeier - 10:55.66
4x800-meter relay
5th FM - Jared Kester, Joseph Grabowski, Dayne Cordray, Matthew Meierotto - 9:42.48
100-meter dash
6th - Alex Gully - 12.22 secs
14th - Logan Rashid 13.17
15th - Joseph Hummel 13.31
100-meter dash wheelchair
1st -Caleb Gehle - 40.64
400-meter dash
5th - Quentin Schneider 55.75
12th - Zander Schweiss - 1:00.73
4x200-meter relay
6th - FM - Grabowski, Kester, Cordray, Meierotto - 1:49.05
110-meter hurdles
11th - Joseph Hummel - 20.48

800-meter run
9th - Aaron Steffensmeier - 2:13.57
10th - Quentin Schneider - 2:13.65
200-meter dash
4th - Shance Redd-Donald- 25.60
400-meter hurdles
9th - Zander Schweiss - 1:09.49
1600-meter run
8th - Matt Hellige - 5:00.23
15th - Matthew Meierotto - 5:36.52
4x100-meter relay
6th - Gully, Redd-Donald, Rashid and Schweiss - 49.53
4x100.25-meter relay Weight Mans
3rd - FM Barnes, Hummel, Eid, Hoenig - 58.20
4x400-meter relay
5th FM Schneider, Kester, Steffensmeier, Hellige - 4:00:00
Shot put Wheelchair
1st - Caleb Gehle 15:09.00

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