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Minor flood

The Fort Madison Municipal pool spilled out over onto Pat's Alley Wednesday morning due to a malfunction in the pump room that had water running for an undetermined amount of time and flooding from a pool side pump access.

Winfield attorney gets 8B judge seat

BY PCC STAFF

DES MOINES – Gov. Kim Reynolds appointed Wyatt Peterson Wednesday as district court judge in the Judicial District 8B.

Peterson, of Winfield, received his law degree from the Drake University Law School and his undergraduate degree from Iowa State University. He currently serves as a part-time judicial magistrate in the Eighth Judicial District and a partner in the Peterson Law Firm.

Other local attorney's considered for the position included: Kimberly A. Auge, a Fort Madison attorney; Amy K. Beavers, with the Des Moines County Attor-

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FMAAA's Sunday Garden Tour features town, country

Tickets still available at
FMAAA and retail outlets

BY BRIAN RIGGS

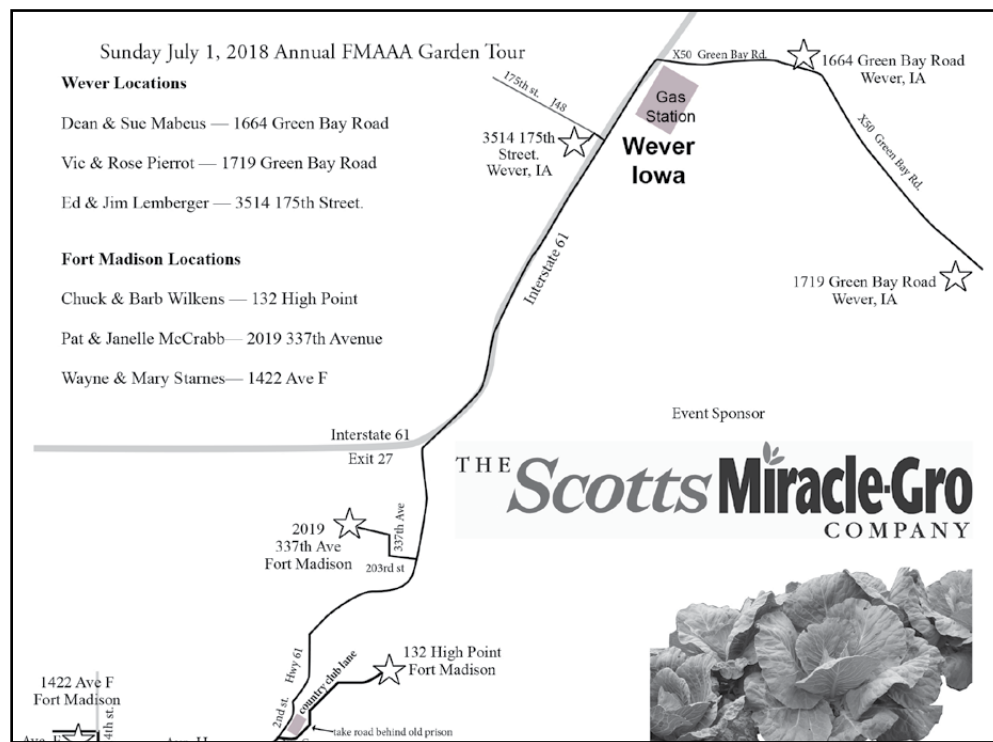
Fort Madison Area Artists Association

FORT MADISON - Ft. Madison Area Arts Association unveils another great chapter to an ongoing novel of garden adventures. Six amazing locations with three in Ft. Madison and three in Wever on July 1st from Noon-4:00pm. Advance tickets and maps are \$10 and available at Gate City Seed in Keokuk; HyVee, Kempker's Tru-Value, and FMAAA gallery in Ft. Madison; and Zaiser's Florist and Landscaping and Weird Harold's in Burlington. Tickets are available in the gardens at the tour as well as garden narratives, maps, and ice cold water. Scotts Miracle-Gro is the Event Sponsor. The raffle of Scotts products is always

a popular part of the tour, giving gardeners a leg-up for the remainder of the outdoor season. FMAAA thanks the gardeners for sharing their marvelous locations with the public. Also kudos to visual artists in the gardens, Artic Glacier for ice, Daily Democrat for printing, businesses selling advance tickets, and garden hostesses. A special thanks for the last week of rain!

Wayne & Mary Starnes - 1422 Avenue D

The first thing Wayne planted some 25 years ago was the sprawling Bald Cypress in the backyard. But upfront is an amazing Gingko tree that he planted from a graft. It is a narrow form of Gingko from root stock, a species dating back to dinosaurs! Other



trees of note are Canadian Hemlock and Juniper Red Cedar. Wayne has a passion for prairie grass with many species. Look for the Bamboo on the west side of the home. It is a cold hardy version that does not come inside at the end of the season. There are a dozen types

of hosta, half-dozen varieties of ferns, and 5 different types of clematis, including a rare one that gives off bell shaped flowers that smell like melon and resemble mop heads. Be you in sun or shade along the perimeter, you will spot many different and interesting

varieties at this camp.

Artist in the Garden: Glassblower Jim Topic will add some sparkle in the location.

Chuck & Barb Wilkens - 132 High Point

The couple has been on the property for 16 years, always looking to "keep it blooming". Other than

the Rose of Sharon at beginning of property, everything has been planted by them. First order of business afterwards was the construction of the produce fence, saving the current crop veggies and new apricot&peach trees, from the voracious deer critters. The clematis on the fence leads to a decade old dwarf Gingko. The front yard houses fairly new tri-colored beech, white dogwood&magnolia. Follow the creeping phlox along the Rhododendron and Azaleas. Take a right down the side of the house to the Craizin Cherry, which drop crate paper blooms in spring. Than you are close...to an undeniably grand view of the Mississippi. The valley below held many linear trees, extinguished in the deep valley with a bow saw by Chuck, creating the

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Scene Around Town/For the Record



Photo courtesy of Fort Madison Partners

Scott's Miracle Gro- Fort Madison has joined forces with their contribution to the 2018 Light Up The Sky This 4th of July fireworks campaign. Pictured is Plant Manager, Leslie Malinski presenting a check to Tim Gobble, FM Partners Director. FM Partners is close to the goal and welcomes any and all contributions to continue the tradition of having one of the best shows in the area.



Photo courtesy of Alliant Energy

An Alliant Energy Hometown Safety Grant was awarded to the Fort Madison Fire Department to help in purchasing a new thermal imaging camera. From left to right are: Lt. Mike Fullenkamp, Firefighter John Lange, Fire Chief Joey Herren, Alliant Energy Account Manager Nancy Snaadt and Firefighter Chris Eastin. Not pictured are Capt. Mike Schneider and Lt. Chad Hannum. Alliant Energy Hometown Safety grants are awarded to organizations and projects that serve or protect the community.

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6/26/18 - 8:30 a.m - Fort Madison Police arrested Rhonda Lavoy Jackson, 36, of Fort Madison on charges of criminal mischief, harassment, and interference with official acts in the 4000 block of Ave. J. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
6/26/18 - 12:13 p.m - Fort Madison Police arrested Lawrence Bernard Jackson, 47, on a charge of the unauthorized use of a credit card in the 1000 block of Ave. G. He was taken to the Lee

County Jail and held.
6/26/18 - 1:44 p.m - Fort Madison Police cited Amanda Joy Nelson, 41, of Fort Madison on a charge of trespassing in the 900 block of Ave. H. She was released upon citation.
6/27/18 - 12:41 a.m - Fort Madison Police arrested Darin Michael Bleything, 31, of Fort Madison on a charge of OWI 2nd offense in the 2000 block of Ave. L. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

Lee County Sheriff's Report
6/26/18 - 3:00 p.m - Lee

County Sheriff's deputies arrested Marti Nichole Clark, 23, of Keokuk, at the intersection of Hwy. 218 and 340th St. in Keokuk, on a warrant for failure to appear. She was taken to Lee County Jail and held.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report
06/25/18 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded to two medical calls and one burn complaint.
06/26/18 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded to three medical calls and one lift assist.

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Sports/From the front

Hounds score six in fourth inning to down HTC

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

WEST POINT - A six-run fourth inning that started with a hit-batsman and two errors gave the Fort Madison Bloodhounds what they needed to down Holy Trinity 6-1 on Wednesday at South Park.

Junior Jordyn Gerdes took a pitch off his back to start the top of the fourth. Brandon Reichelt fanned, but HTC's Kaden Medland and Garrett Hannum both had infield errors. Trey Kuntz, pinch running for Gerdes, swiped second and then took third on the Medland error. Hannum then had a ball go under his glove at second allowing Kuntz to score. Jace Burgher and Lennon Barker got aboard with the

errors. Tony Fortato then lined a single to center scoring Burgher.

HTC's Cole Thornton, who had gone three innings surrendering just a walk and Dayne Cordray double in the third, was pulled by HTC head coach Albert Schinstock after the Fortato single in favor of Jason Thurman. Thurman gave up a two RBI single to Gavin Wiseman and then a walk to Landes Williams. Cordray hit into a fielder's choice at third forcing Wiseman and then Parker Denning singled to shallow center to score Williams and move Cordray to third.

With Denning at first and Cordray at third, the Hounds sent Denning to draw a throw and Cordray broke on the throw to second. Denning got caught in a run down and

was tagged out at first, but Cordray had gotten across the plate prior to the tag.

"We'd been working on that play...early break is what we call it, a ton in practice on Tuesday and the kids just executed it perfectly," FMHS head coach Ken Steeples said after the game.

Schinstock said that inning was the difference in the game.

"It was just that one bad inning," Schinstock said. "That's what got us down."

Schinstock was wearing the pink arm band with Abby Denning's name on it. Denning, a 14-year-old HTC student, was killed in an ATV accident Sunday morning. The game was moved to 8 p.m. to allow the community and team to attend the funeral Wednesday evening.

Thurman then quieted



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Hound pitcher Jordyn Gerdes throws over to try and catch HTC's Garrett Hannum leaning. FMHS downed HTC 6-1 at South Park.

the Hound bats putting them down in order in the fifth, sixth, and seventh innings. But Gerdes was still dealing for Fort Madison allowing only two base runners in the Crusaders' halves of the fourth, fifth, and sixth.

The Crusaders got a

little offense going in the bottom half of the seventh when Collin Thornton singled up the middle and Vason Thurman was plunked by Gerdes in the next at bat to put runners on 1st and 2nd with no outs. Medland then hit a ground back to Gerdes

who bobbled the ball but recovered and threw to Cordray at second who quickly fired over to first to get Medland in the double play. Thornton moved to third on the play.

Garrett Hannum then

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Peterson named area Judge

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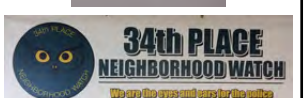
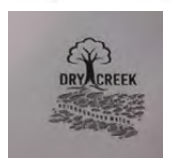
ney's office; Adam D. Parson, an attorney with the Louisa County Attorney's office; Artemio Santiago, a Fort Madison attorney with the Lee County Attorney's office; and Heidi D. Van Winkle, a criminal defense attorney in Burlington. Parson was the other name submitted to Kim Reynolds from the interview committee last month.

The last attorney appointed to a seat in 8B was former Lee County Attorney Clinton Boddicker was assigned in December.

Judicial District 8B includes Louisa, Henry, Des Moines and Lee counties.

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Sports

Fairfield offense overwhelms Bloodhounds

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Bloodhounds dropped a pair of games to Fairfield at home Monday night on senior night.

Senior Tony Fortado took the loss in a 20-0 five-inning first game for Fort Madison going two innings and giving up 12 runs, seven earned on eight hits.

The Trojans put up a 11 runs in a big third inning highlighted by junior Tristan Waugh's grand slam with no outs in the top half.

Bloodhound pitchers allowed 10 hitters to reach base consecutively in the inning and all scored before recording an out. Waugh would score again in the inning

on a ground out by Cade Lisk before Jackson Wheaton fanned to end the inning.

Eighth grader Landes Williams had the only hit for the Bloodhounds, a two-out single up the middle in the bottom of the second inning.

Caleb Parson worked at third of an inning and Gaven Wiseman worked 1 2/3 of an inning in the loss.

The Bloodhounds started the night cap with a single by Dayne Cordray. Cordray was moved to second on sacrifice by Parker Denning and then scored on Jordan Gerdes' RBI single to right. Brandon Reichelt fanned and Jace Burgher popped to first to end the inning tied at 1-1.

The Trojans then got another big inning with eight runs in the top of the second. Cordray got Cade Lisk to ground out to first to start the inning, but then walked the next two followed by a hit batsman to load the bases. Kosta Papazagolou singled to drive in two runs and then Hunter Hoskins tripled to deep left to clear the bases.

Fairfield got back-to-back singles in the next two at bats for another run and then Lisk homered to right. Wheaton grounded out to short to wrap up the inning with Fairfield up 9-1.

FMHS responded with three in the bottom half. Fortado and Parsons both

reached on infield errors. Wiseman singled to drive in Fortado, and Parsons scored when Denning singled to shallow left. Wiseman moved to third on the hit and then scored on a wild pitch. Gerdes flew out to short to end the rally with the Hounds down 9-4.

The Hounds couldn't muster another score while the Trojans put up two in the third and fourth innings and one in the fifth that set the 10-run rule at 14-4 with Fort Madison unable to get a run across in the bottom of the fifth.

Cordray went 1 1/3 in the loss striking out one, walking three and giving up three runs all earned.

Falcons' big innings too much for HTC

Falcons start game with four-run first inning.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

WEST POINT - West Burlington jumped out to a quick 4-0 lead and went on to a 13-7 win over Holy Trinity Tuesday night.

Jason Thurman went 2-for-3 with three RBI and a double to lead HTC at the plate. Garrett Hannum went 3-for-4 with two runs scored and Quentin Schneider went 2-for-4 with three runs scored.

Hannum went 3 2/3 innings giving up nine runs, four earned on 10 hits and struck out four. Zander Schweiss came on in relief going 3 1/3 allowing four runs on five hits and struck out two.

HTC had runners on first and second with no outs in the bottom of the first, but Reed Fehseke flew out to deep right field and Collin Thornton hit into a fielders choice at second, before Vason Thurman fanned to end the threat.

The Falcons started the game with four out of the first five hitters getting to Hannum, including RBI doubles by Daniel Crooks and Colton Hohenthauer. Jacob Fritz and Masin Shullaw each had RBI singles before HTC retired the side.

After Hannum settled holding the Falcons scoreless in the second, the Crusaders got back in the game in the bottom of the second. Kadin Medland singled to right to start the inning and following a Cole Thornton strike out, Hannum singled to right moving Medland to second. Schweiss grounded out to first. Schneider reached on an error that scored Medland and Hannum and then Schneider came around to score on Fehseke's double down the line in right field. Collin Thornton then lined out to Crooks on the mound to end the inning with HTC 4-3.

HTC would get two more runs in the fourth on a Jason Thurman two RBI double to right center. Thurman would advance on a wild pitch. Fehseke grounded out to short before Collin Thornton and Vason Thurman would draw walks to load the bases with two outs. Medland then struck out to end the inning.

West Burlington hit through the lineup in the fourth, plating five more runs including a two RBI double by Shullaw to left. The Falcons would tack on four more in the top of the fifth with Fritz, Tyler Dameron and Crooks each scoring their third run of the game.

The Crusaders would nibble at the 13-5 lead with a run each in the sixth by Schneider and seventh by Hannum.

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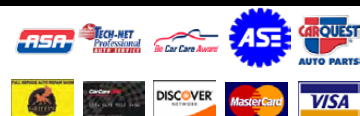
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Gerdes goes the distance in win over Crusaders

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reached on an error when Barker mishandled Hannum's grounder to third. Hannum advanced to second on a wild pitch, prompting a visit from Steeples to the mound. Chandler Rung then reached when his grounder to first was mishandled to put runners on 1st and 3rd with two outs, but Zander Schweiss hit a squibber down the first base line that Gerdes was able to field cleanly and fire to first to end the game.

Steeple said the sixth inning was the biggest single inning output of the year for the Hounds.

"It was a real team effort. We put the ball in play and we ran the bases well. We did stuff offensively but we let up a bit. I told them one of the things we need to do is extend the lead and we didn't get that done," Steeples said.

He said he let Gerdes go the full game which is something this year's pitchers haven't done a lot.

"He pitched great. He ran out of gas late, but we haven't run our pitchers 70 pitches much, but we had Dayne ready to go if we needed him."

Schinstock was without two starters - Kyle Bredemeyer, who was out for Denning's service, and Reed Fehseke who had to sit out after being ejected from Tuesday night's game against West Burlington.

He said this week has been hard on the team going into the post season, but the Crusaders have just two regular season games left in the next seven days so they should be able to regroup.

"If you'd have asked me a week ago it would have been great. We came into this week thinking we could win three of the four and here we are 0-3."

The Crusaders, now 7-14, host Highland Thursday night and then travel to Keokuk next Thursday to end the regular season. District play starts the following week.

The Hounds improve to 3-13 on the season and host Centerville on Friday night.



HTC's Collin Thornton turns to tag FMHS' Tony Fortado, who's already past the plate, in the fourth inning of the Hounds' 6-1 win over the Crusaders Wednesday night

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

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to compare different insurance programs. Discussion with the Board followed. It was moved by DiPrima and seconded by Hope to approve the renewal of the Property and Casualty and Workers Compensation insurance programs with EMC through the IASB program as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

V. Consider approval of Tiffany Wibbell as third grade teacher at Lincoln. It was moved by Young and seconded by Troxel to approve the hiring of Tiffany Wibbell as third grade teacher at Lincoln Elementary. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

VI. Consider approval of salary lists

a. FMEA Salary and Teacher Salary Supplement List. The Board reviewed the FMEA Salary and Teacher Salary Supplement List. It was moved by Young and seconded by Ross to approve the FMEA Salary and Teacher Salary Supplement List as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

b. Teacher Leadership Compensation Stipend. The Board reviewed the Teacher Leadership Compensation and Other Stipends. It was moved by Young and seconded by DiPrima to approve the Teacher Leadership Compensation and Other Stipends as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

c. Teamsters Unit 2 Custodian/Maintenance/Mechanics. It was moved by Hope and seconded by Troxel to approve the Unit 2 Custodian/Maintenance/Mechanics salary list as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

d. 12 Month Secretaries. It was moved by DiPrima and seconded by Ross to approve the 12 Month Secretaries salary list as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

e. Food Service Staff. It was moved by Young and seconded by Hope to approve the food service staff salary list as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

f. Administrators/Directors/Support Staff. It was moved by DiPrima to approve the Administrators/Directors/Support Staff salary list as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

Pre-School 28E Agree-

ments

a. YMCA. The Board reviewed the 28E agreement for preschool with Y Kids Preschool. It was moved by Hope and seconded by DiPrima to approve the 28E agreement for preschool with Y Kids Preschool as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

b. Carousel. The Board reviewed the 28E agreement for preschool with Carousel Preschool. It was moved by Troxel and seconded by Ross to approve the 28E agreements for preschool with Carousel Preschool as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

VIII. Consider approval of 2018-2019 Meal Prices. The Board reviewed the proposed Meal Prices for 2018-2019. It was moved by Young and seconded by Hope to approve the 2018-2019 Meal Prices for 2018-2019 as presented. The motion passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

IX. Comments from the audience. The Board received comments from the audience.

X. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m. Tim Wondra, President June 25, 2018 Sandra Elmore, Secretary

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grand view. Once you tear away from the view gaze upon the Mexican Petunia, which blooms once a day in the morning than drops its petals.

Artist in the Garden: Chuck refurbishes antique chairs and will showcase some examples.

Pat & Janelle McCrabb - 2019 337th Avenue

The McCrabb's have moved 8 times with each occasion giving Janelle a new blank canvas of landscape to fill. The red rhubarb is the only transplant, coming from her mother in Dubuque and her memories, perhaps moving along with her from home to home. Her father was a "planticide" personality, mowing down fresh starts the family may have tried. She would grow plants from seeds and create stone barriers so the mower monster could not take them. It led to a meticulous nature for her groundscaping, as she remembers hand trimming with scissors prior to advent of the weed wacker! Janelle loves heritage roses with over 15 varieties already on the perimeter. She teaches that smaller plants will take off quicker than larger ones from starts. She has been here basically little more than a year; and, she is making the environment her own with quick precision. Hydrangeas are her "canary in a coal mine", telling her when to water. The south side of the home garden is a jaw dropper with only the hardscaping and 3 bushes left prior to Janelle painting outdoor canvas.

Artist in the Garden: Plein air painter Gin Lammert will document the scene in paint while Carlene Atwater roves various other locations with easel in hand.

Vic & Rose Peirrot - 1719 Green Bay Road

You know you have found a garden haven when the door knocker to the home is a garden spade! When a garden encompasses growth, beds, and landscaping 360 degrees around the domicile, it can definitely make cultivation a statement. This garden is a 360 degrees around the home, encompassed by a 360 degrees of development around the fence line. It is a 720! There are 10-15 built and maintained beds on this property. The property has been in Vic's family for 3 generations, battling fire and rain. The house was built on fill that

was battle tested in 1993! However, when the house was put up for sale it caught fire, maybe twas what called Vic back to his roost. See if you can spot the winter scalded Weeping Orange to see if it's scar shall heal or whether it shall wither. So many stories to discover, but much can be summed in the His/Her sheds. Vic's shed memorializes his first wife Lorraine. They spent 50 years tilling the soil together. The brown shed is from Rose's West Burlington property. It now has become a playhouse for kids in the family. Both had a love for gardening and both lost their spouses on the same week. They have united to bring their sheds together on a truly inspiring garden path. How awesome of a "coming home" story is that? Park on either side of Green Bay road to view the garden; their driveway would get too congested.

Artist in the Garden: Rose will share 3 generations of her quilting family within the perimeter.

Dean & Sue Mabeus - 1661 Green Bay Road

Missing Dean's Produce? In 1993 the couple were well-known at Farmer's Markets and for their blue shed food stand at the residence. Most will agree this garden to be one of the largest produce growing territories in recent years. However, what is grown now is just for family and friends, not the 6 acres of veggies like in the past. The couple were known for picking their wares ripe the day of the market they were attending. Sue has a new hobby in her post produce days, nurturing 8 boar goats from the bottle that are sure to entertain the crowd. An old smokehouse adorns the scene left from the previous owners. Dean has butchered plenty of hogs in that giant slow cooker. Perhaps someone can aid this couple in finding a needed saddle? Dean salvaged the tower and bell from his one room school K-8 Pond's School, which Dean attended until 7th grade when rural residents consolidated to Denmark. Parking available at the blue shed that used to be the produce stand.

Artist in the Garden: Curt Swarm metal sculptures add appeal to the outdoor scene, while his wife Ginny mans the popular Scotts Miracle-Gro product raffle!

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Ed & Jim Lemberger - 3514 175th Street

These industrious brothers have all the equipment needed to be a commercial organic winery. Drive along either side of the fence rows to park at the outbuilding. Tours will form at that nexus point. Enjoy wine and cheese sampling. Ed and Jim have been making their own wine for years, entering regional competitions. When this property came available a decade ago, Ed pounced at the chance for vintnering. The brothers have five types of grapevines: Concord, Edelweiss, Caco, St. Croix, and Swinson White. The property also sports 100 tomatoes and peppers of differing varieties. As well as Bitter Melon, Asian squash, watermelon, pumpkins, asparagus, broccoli, eggplant, strawberries, and blueberry bushes. Harvest occurs normally on Rodeo weekend. The white grapes are pressed that day, while red needs to ferment with the skin on for a week or so for color. Once prepped the wine resides for a year in the stainless steel vats. Then from vat to bottle to mouth!

Artist in the Garden: Potter Linda Ross displays wares from Chestnut Hill Pottery.

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