



Pen City Current

Sunday, May 26, 2019 | 7 pages | Volume 3 • Issue 121

Thurmans, Avery get wins at state

Extended break hurts Thurmans' chances at Saturday play

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

WATERLOO – Sam Avery had about as tough a path to try and place at the Iowa State Tennis Tournament as any unseeded player in the draw.

But the senior from Holy Trinity did Fort Madison proud as he went up against two of the top four singles players in Class 1A in the state before bowing out in the second round of consolation play Friday.

Avery, who qualified for the first time this year, also got into the second round of consolation play but lost in a late afternoon match to end his high school playing time.

He entered the tournament unseeded as West Burlington/Notre Dame's Travis Wills upset him in the finals of district play two weeks ago. The state ranks the top four players and seeds them into the bracket against the pool and Avery drew No. 2 Evan Moon out of North Polk Alleman out of the gate.

Moon was 21-0 on the year in match play and didn't drop a set all year, sporting a 220-22 game record.

See **AVERY**, page 6



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



Above, Bloodhound Sam Avery returns a shot in his first round consolation match against Atlantic's Grant Sturm Friday afternoon at Byrnes Tennis Park in Waterloo Friday. At left, Jason Thurman returns a shot in the Hounds' doubles match against Spencer.

Twins just miss playing Saturday

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

WATERLOO – Jason and Vasin Thurman are just shots away, literally, from an eventual medal at the Iowa State Doubles Tennis tournament.

The two sophomores from Holy Trinity Catholic, who play in the Fort Madison High School's shared tennis program, ran into about three tiebreakers against some of the best doubles teams in the state, but came up short Friday in the second round of consolation play.

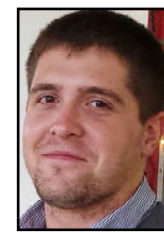
The toughest loss came at the hands

of Denison-Schleswig's Sean Moran and Colin Reis.

The twins dropped the first set in the 13th game after giving up a 6-5 lead. After the Bloodhounds broke serve to go up 6-5, Vasin Thurman hit a rifle down the left lane that just missed, allowing Moran and Reis to break back and tie it at 6.

The two from Denison then almost blanked the Thurmans in the tiebreaker going up 6-1 in the first to seven point breaker. They trailed 1-2 after a Jason Thurman serve was returned long and

See **THURMANS** page 7



From the Sports Guy's Eyes

Ethan Lillard,
Pen City Current Sports

Fort Madison a big city to country boy

I'm From Dallas City, Il, so I knew where Fort Madison was and could actually navigate the city with relative ease. What I could not do however, was tell you how good the football team was, how the baseball team was looking, or who was all going out for the basketball squad this season.

Some of those questions I still can't answer due to those seasons being so far away (I'm still working on meeting with the coaches), but what I can tell you is what I have seen from Fort Madison High School and the surrounding community has made me feel more excited than ever before for what the future holds.

Coming from rural Illinois, we had a football field surrounded by corn fields and basketball gyms that can only seat a quarter or so of what a 3A Iowa school can. So imagine my shock walking into Fort Madison High School and getting greeted by the bronze Bloodhound. Or walking into the cafeteria and seeing professionally hand drawn photos of each athlete that has made it to the state tournament for Fort Madison. Or when I walked into Baxter Sport Complex to realize the Hounds had some of the nicest facilities in the state to play on. (I know not all sports get played at Baxter, but still.)

The list of reasons why I was left in awe goes on and on, but still, going from Class 2A in rural Illinois to Class 3A in Iowa, I've seen a significant difference in talent level and the size of the schools' facilities. Just yesterday I had the privilege of working from the friendly confines of Bracewell Stadium in Burlington, a place that initially had me feeling like I was attending a professional game.

When I was first asked about the prospect of covering Fort Madison sports, I didn't know what to think. I had covered Hancock County sports (Illini West, West Hancock, Southeastern) for nearly four years and didn't really know how I would adjust to a "bigger city". I put bigger city in quotations because I realize many reading this will scoff at the notion that Fort Madison resembles anything close to that of a big city. But let me tell you, for a rural (somewhat) country boy,

See **LILLARD** page 3

Advertiser Index

Burlington Youth Triathlon..... P.7	Mobile Nursing Services..... P.5
ClassifiedsPs.4-5	Pen City Current.....Ps.3-5
Dr. Mark C. Pothitakis Family Dentistry..... P.6	Pilot Grove Savings Bank..... P.7
Fort Madison Family YMCA..... P.7	Professional Services..... P.4
Great River Regional Waste Authority..... P.3	Public Notices..... P.5
Lee County Economic Development Group..... P.2	Scotts MiracleGro Company..... P.5

News Index

From the front.....Ps.3,6-7
For the Record..... P.2
Local News..... P.2
Lee County News..... P.3
Lottery Numbers..... P.2
Opinion..... P.3
Scene Around Town.... P.2
Sports.....Ps.6-7
Weather..... P.6

Scan the code to
Subscribe today

Paid & Free Options Available!



For the Record/Scene Around Town

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

5/23/19 – 6:06 p.m – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/ theft in the 1500 block of Ave. M.
 5/23/19 – 7:40 p.m – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 3100 block of Ave. K.
 5/23/19 – 8:11 p.m – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2800 block of Ave. A.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

5/23/19 – 9:10 a.m – Anthony Ray Boatwright, 59, of Montrose was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief, second at the Lee County Sheriff's Office. He was taken to Lee County Jail and released the same day on pre-trial rel.
 5/23/19 – 12:46 p.m – Skyler Dwayne Stark, 31,

of Montrose was arrested on charges of eluding-injury, OWI, offense, driving under suspension, failure to maintain control, speeding, drive wrong side of 2-way hwy, and fail-continuous turn signal at the Lee County Sheriff's Office. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 5/23/19 – There was a 3 car accident on Hwy 103. Vehicle 1, driven by Michele Lee Gilpin, 48, of Danville was driving westbound on Hwy 103 with their turn signal on, preparing to turn into a driveway. Vehicle 2, driven by Jennifer Lynn Leggett, 35, of West Point, and Vehicle 3, driven by Jacob Kenneth Miller, 22, of West Point, were approaching Vehicle 1 from behind. Miller rear-ended Leggett in the driver's side back bumper and pushed Leggett off

the roadway to the right. Miller then proceeded to rear end Gilpin's vehicle in the passenger side back bumper as well. White paint transferred from Miller's vehicle onto both Leggett's and Gilpin's. No injuries were reported. Miller's vehicle was disabled and was towed via private arrangement. Gilpin was issued a citation for operating a non-registered vehicle and Miller was issued a citation for following to closely.
 5/24/19 – 3:21 a.m – Marly Mae-Jean Jones, 19, of Wheatland was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation at the Fast Break in Fort Madison. She was taken to Lee County Jail and held. Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



FMPD officers play Wii at SunnyBrook

Fort Madison Police captain Jamie Carle plays Wii Bowling with some residents at the SunnyBrook Assisted Living Center last week. Carle was joined by fellow officers Nathan Parker and Josh Wade. The trio "barely" beat the residents by a few pins.

Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



Southeast IA Regional Job Fair

2019

TIME: 1PM - 4PM
DATE: 05/30/2019

National Guard Armory
 16815 DMC Hwy 34
 Middletown, IA 52638

Schedule:

1pm—1:30 pm Veterans Only
1:30—4 pm Open to the Public

Presented by:



Resources:

Clothes for Careers— During the job fair partnership with local organizations will provide an opportunity for career seekers to select FREE appropriate workforce attire for career fairs, interviews and the workplace

Transportation— Transportation to the event will be provided at no cost by SEIBUS. Contact IowaWorks at 319-753-1671

IOWA LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS

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

5/24
 14 41 44 56 62
 Mega Ball: 10
 Megaplier: 2

5/24 MID-DAY
 7 9 4
5/24 EVENING
 0 5 6

5/24 MID-DAY
 6 0 7 6
5/24 EVENING
 4 7 5 3

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



Member LION Publishers
 www.lionpublishers.com



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

Lee County News/From the Front

Seems FMHS sports on are on the rise

LILLARD - Continued from Page 1

Fort Madison is the big time.

After a month into working for Pen City Current, my mood about making the leap across the river has changed drastically. I now know the significance of the Big Blue Oval at Drake. I now know to bring gnat spray with me to Bracewell Stadium. And most importantly, I now know that I may be out of my comfort zone in a bigger market, but the opportunities and places you get to see and cover while in the bigger market really helps to broaden horizons. That goes for both those covering the athletics and the athletes themselves.

Whether or not the Fort Madison community or its athletes feel their town is "big time," just know that this small-town boy is proud to cover the Bloodhounds and looks forward to the many programs' continued success.

I've heard there hasn't been a lot of success from Bloodhound athletics in the past few years, but from what I've witnessed in my short time in the area, Fort Madison High School athletics is on the rise. And whether they realize it or not, these "big city" athletes have a much greater chance of broadening their horizons on these bigger stages. Hopefully many of those involved in athletics get the chance to broaden their horizons even more past high school whether that be going on to a bigger college, moving to another country or provide local news coverage to an area they are completely unfamiliar with. #BrickByBrick

Ethan Lillard covers Fort Madison High School sports for the Pen City Current and Radio Keokuk's 93.9 FM and 1310 KOKX

Keokuk man killed in motorcycle crash

FROM RADIO KEOKUK STAFF

FORT MADISON - The Iowa State Patrol has announced that a motorcycle accident that occurred Thursday at roughly 10:30PM in central Lee County claimed the life of a Keokuk man.

According to the report, 46 year old Roy Lee Dorsey of Keokuk was travelling southbound on Highway 61 at mile marker 19 when his motorcycle dropped off of the east shoulder and struck the east guardrail.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office, Des Moines Township Fire, and Montrose EMS arrived at the scene and Dorsey was transported via ambulance to Fort Madison Community Hospital and scanner traffic shows a AirEvac Helicopter was originally called .

Dorsey was pronounced dead at Fort Madison Community Hospital as a result of his injuries. At this time the single motorcycle accident is still under investigation and any further information will be announced when it is made public.

#HyperLocalSuperFresh



The Pen City Current will not be publishing an e-Edition on Monday, May 27th or Tuesday, May 28th in observation of Memorial Day. We will resume publication on Wednesday, May 29th.

We remember and celebrate all those who fought for our freedom on this day.

Please celebrate safely and responsibly. We care about all of you.

- The Pen City Current Family



Clean Home. Clean Planet.

Do your part during this year's Spring Cleaning activities by making sure you're choosing products safe for our planet.

Here are just a few of the ways you can help:

- Properly dispose of your household hazardous waste materials, construction debris, & electronic waste
- Use environmentally-safe cleaning products
- Reduce • Reuse • Recycle
- Check our website for proper disposal methods, acceptable materials, & more

This year, do your part to keep our environment clean, too!



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 facebook.com/grrwa

Classifieds

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Open Mic Night
Wednesdays
7:00pm

1135 Ave. E • Wednesday ~ Saturday 5:00pm

Help GRRWA Keep Your Community Hazard-Free!

Household Hazardous Waste Unit is open Monday through Friday 8am - 4pm

800-216-2370
 Call for an appointment

GRRWA
 Great River Regional Waste Authority

Visit Us Online! www.grrwa.com facebook.com/grrwa

REHABILITATION & SKILLED NURSING WHEN GOING HOME AFTER A HOSPITAL STAY ISN'T AN OPTION.

YOUR LOVED ONES DESERVE THE BEST

Call to schedule your personal tour
319-372-8021

THE MADISON
 EXPERTISE. SIGNIFICANCE.
 Short-term Rehabilitation - Long-term Care
 Memory Care - Ventilator Support

1701 41st Street Fort Madison, IA 52627

Like us on Facebook

Protect your bottom line with The Power of AgMax®

Large commercial and diversified operations have distinctly different exposures than traditional farms and ranches. That's why we created AgMax specifically to serve the unique needs of commercial agriculture operations and related businesses, including:

- Producers who process, retail or direct market
- Equine and kennel operations, including boarding, breeding and training
- Agritainment and agritourism
- Hunting and other farm-based recreation

Contact me today to learn how I can help you maximize your insurance protection.

Larry Holtkamp
 1301 37th St
 Fort Madison
 (319) 372-9145
larryholtkamp.com

FARM BUREAU FINANCIAL SERVICES

Western Agricultural Insurance Company *West Des Moines, IA *Company provider of Farm Bureau Financial Services CAG19 (12-14)

Your dog deserves to be pampered

While your dog is enjoying their spa day in our grooming area, shop our healthy selection of dog foods & treats, collars & leashes, super fun toys, and other unique items and gifts you won't find anywhere else!

dawgs & Divas
 DOG STORE AND MORE

705 9TH STREET, FORT MADISON • (319) 372-3294
WWW.DAWGSNDIVAS.COM

MAY POTHOLE SPECIAL

\$159.95 SAVE \$60

- Computerized Alignment
- Suspension Inspection
- Wheel Balance • Tire Rotation
- Brake Inspection

319-372-2478 • 535 Ave G • Ft Madison
www.griffinmuffler.com

GRIFFIN

RIVER CITY MOTORS
 Plus
 Service & Repair

319-372-6959

Great Atmosphere!
Fabulous Food!
Quality Handcrafted Brews!

duckbrewing.com **319.372.8255**

Kitchen Open 3:00-9:00 PM
 Wednesday thru Saturday

Make a Duck Call!!!!

community
 HEATING & COOLING

SALES * SERVICE * INSTALLATION

ICE MACHINE LEASING

319-372-1095

Patrick Profeta
 General Manager

Keokuk Auto Credit
 We Tote the Note

No Credit Check Low Weekly Payments

www.keokukautocredit.com

1728 Main Keokuk, IA 52632 Office: 319-524-2334 Fax: 319-524-2373

HIRING ALL SHIFTS

FRONT DESK CLERKS & HOUSEKEEPERS

All candidates must have strong communication skills, be disciplined, hard-working and self-motivated. Pick up an application in person.

BOULDERS
 INN & SUITES
 by COBBLESTONE HOTELS

4901 AVENUE O, FT MADISON, IOWA

DODD PRINTING & STATIONERY
 Est. 1877

Logo Design
 Posters Art Supplies
 Printing
 Office Furniture
 Trifold Brochures

621 Avenue G Fort Madison, IA **319.372.2721**
doddprinting.com

ENJOY FREE DELIVERY TO FORT MADISON, KEOKUK, BURLINGTON & THE SURROUNDING AREAS!

Jim BAIER, INC
 SINCE 1971

JIMMY KEENAN
 Sales Consultant

Hwy. 61 West, Box 540 Fort Madison, Iowa 52627
www.jimbaier.com Toll Free: 888-372-1012 Cell: 319-470-9299

LIKE JIMMY ON FACEBOOK [f jimmy@jimbaier.com](https://facebook.com/jimmy@jimbaier.com)

FORD • LINCOLN • CHRYSLER • DODGE • RAM • JEEP

Shopping for a mortgage?

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

NMLS #139716, NMLS MLO #1359992
 MLO License #24290

We have a great selection.
 As life changes, so do your needs. Let State Farm Bank® help with a mortgage that fits your life and your budget. Let us help you make the right move. Bank with a Good Neighbor®.

CALL ME TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION.

State Farm Bank®

Some products and services not available in all areas.
 1001306.1 State Farm Bank, F.S.B., Bloomington, IL

The average person is on their device 3+ hours per day.

Reach your customers wherever they are with digital ads.

Call Brian today! (319)470.9151

Pen City current

Classifieds/Public Notices

the classifieds

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
Lee County, Iowa
Board of Supervisors
Agenda
DATE: TUESDAY,
May 21, 2019
MEETING
CONVENING TIME:
9:00 A.M.
LOCATION:
Correctional Center
2530 255th Street,
Montrose, IA

Discussion of County Audit for Fiscal Year 2018
 Consider Approval of Business Property Tax Credits for 2018
 Personnel Actions:
 A.New Hire-Sheriff's Office (Replacement)
 8.New Hire-Health Department (Replacement)
 Commission or Committee Reports
 Adjourn

tance available upon request

Contact Title VI Administrator
 319-372-3705

County Website:
www.leecounty.org

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance
 Approve Agenda
 9:01 a.m. Public Hearing for Amendment of Fiscal Year 2019 County Budget
 Consider Approval of Resolution Adopting Amendment of Fiscal Year 2019 County Budget
 Consider Approval of Resolution Approving Amended Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2019
 Approve Tuesday, May 21, 2019 Board Minutes
 Consider Approval of Claims
 Public Input
 Consider Approval to Move Forward with Solar Project, Defining the Project and Possibly Choosing Company
 Consider Approval of 28E Agreement with the City of Fort Madison to Provide Interim Police Chief Services

Workshop to Follow

PUBLIC MEETING
 CITIZENS WELCOME

Vision and hearing assistance available upon request

HELP WANTED

THE **Scotts Miracle-Gro** COMPANY

NOW HIRING!

Extended Season!

Immediate Production Openings at Scotts!
 Overtime Available!
 Day and Night Shifts Available!
 \$100 Sign On Bonus!

Call us today
319-246-1294

Team Staffing Solutions
 4502 Avenue O
 (Lodi Shopping Center)
 Fort Madison, IA

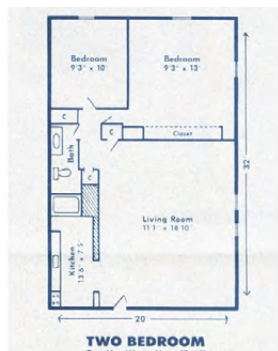
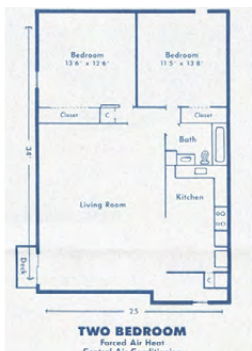
APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Chateau Apartments Extra Clean & Quiet Apartments for Rent



Extra clean & quiet with free YMCA membership included. 2 bedrooms, some with decks/patio. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, built-in microwave. Non-smoking, no pets. Very affordable security deposit \$300. Must pass background & credit checks (no felonies). Large

backyard with picnic tables & glider swing in very nice, quiet neighborhood. Rents range from \$585-\$635. Lease required. 850 sq. ft. units. All electric. Water, sewer, trash furnished. 650 sq. ft. units. Water, heat, sewer, gas, trash furnished. Laundry rooms have new coin-operated washers & dryers (located in all buildings). On-site manager. Call 319-372-9409 or 319-750-3115 for appointment to view. Owned by Alliance Realty Co.



Got a news tip? Call Chuck (319)371.1670

HELP WANTED



Loading Crew Position

Certified Fork Lift or Heavy Machinery Operator Experience Preferred

Starting Pay \$16/Hr.
 1st Shift Position

Call us today
319-246-1294

4502 Avenue O
 (Lodi Shopping Center)
 Fort Madison, IA

Mobile Nursing Services

NOW HIRING

RNs & LPNs
Burlington & Keokuk Areas

We are now hiring additional staff to meet the needs of our increased client base.

Flexible Schedules
 Competitive Wages
 PTO
 Free Life Insurance

Apply at:
 705 Ave. G, Fort Madison
 or email
mobnurse@mobilenursingservices.com

EOE

HELP WANTED

NOTICE OF JOB OPENING

Victim Witness Coordinator

Lee County Attorney's Office
 Keokuk and Fort Madison

Lee County Attorney's Office has an opening for a Victim Witness Coordinator position (40 hours per week) with a start date of July 1, 2019.

The Victim/Witness Coordinator position is responsible for managing, coordinating, monitoring, and providing case assistance for juvenile and criminal cases within the County Attorney's Office. The Victim Witness Coordinator will establish communications with victims and witnesses and/or their advocates, notify victims of their rights, keep victims and witnesses informed of the status of files/cases, provide victims and witnesses with information, locate witnesses required for effective prosecution, and assist with case management.

The position's successful applicant is preferred (but not required) to have the following:

1. Completion of some college level degree or in criminal justice, behavioral sciences, or related fields or any equivalent combination of training and experience.
2. Knowledge of legal terminology, legal format, and legal forms.
3. Knowledge of modern office practices, procedures, and equipment.
4. Knowledge of Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
5. Knowledge of Iowa Courts Online.
6. Ability to prepare accurate and timely documents, correspondence, and reports, including documentation and data for grant funding.
7. Ability to learn and/or operate the County Attorney's Office computer programs.
8. Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
9. Ability to multi-task.
10. Must be a self-starter and motivator.
11. Ability to communicate with the public and act as a liaison for the victim to attorney staff in order to facilitate the communication of the victim as the case progresses.
12. Ability to provide emotional and educational support to victims and witnesses of crimes.
13. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, attorneys, co-workers, and the public, as well as law enforcement personnel and Clerk of Court
14. Ability to maintain a large case load.
15. Must be able to travel all over the County.

The position is a grant-funded position with a salary of \$35,000 annually plus benefits

For more information about duties email request to bbowden@leecounty.org

Please send resume to
 Ross Braden, Lee County Attorney
 25 N. 7th St., PO Box 824, Keokuk, IA 52632
 or e-mail rbraden@leecounty.org
 by May 28, 2019



JOIN AN INDUSTRY LEADER



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

At our Fort Madison Liquids Manufacturing Plant

Operations Manager - R1264

-Job: Oversee the production and assembly operations for six production lines and three manual assembly lines. Directly lead a team of 4 salaried and indirectly lead 200-250 hourly full-time and seasonal associates across a three-shift operation.

- Qualifications: Bachelor's degree focused in Engineering (highly preferred), Supply Chain, Manufacturing or other related field. Minimum 5 years of manufacturing/production leadership experience in a plant environment (preferably in a packaging operation). Ability to grow into future manufacturing positions and the ability to relocate to other Scotts Miracle-Gro locations.

Env Health & Safety Manager - R0346

-Job: Develop, implement, and manage environmental, health, safety and security programs at the facility. Responsible for federal and state regulatory aspects of safety and environmental programs, including compliance with OSHA, EPA and DNR.

-Qualifications: Bachelor of Science in EHS, Chemical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering or related field. 5-8 years of experience in the Environmental, Health and Safety field or related discipline. Knowledge of OSHA, EPA, RCRA, FIFRA, air and DOT regulations.

Apply at: <https://scottsmiracleagro.com/careers/>
 Click "Search Jobs" and enter job number

YOUR AD HERE

Call Brian (319)470.9151

Sports/Weather

Avery: "I was playing my best tennis"

AVERY - Continued from Page 1

Moon took the first game on serve in a match played indoors because of a temperamental weather pattern, but Avery was able to knot it up after scoring a point from the ad court. But then Moon would rip off five straight, breaking Avery's serve at games 3 and 5 for a 6-1 first set win. But Avery was in each game other than a love game at 3-1 for Moon.

In game five, Avery had Moon at ad-out, but the junior from Alleman showed why he's the second best player in the state in Class 1A, chasing down a blistering forehand and then a blistering backhand from Avery to win the point and the game when Avery missed an overhead in the front court.

Unforced errors were the theme for Avery in the second set with Moon again going up 2-0 quickly. Avery would get his only game on a 40-0 service win that included the only ace of the match. Moon would break Avery's serve again in the fourth and sixth games to win the match.

"He's a phenomenal player for sure," Avery said. "I was playing my best tennis, but I have

to work on consistency. That's one of the things I could have been better at today. Aside from that, everything felt the best it has all season. Even at 1-6, 1-6 I felt happy with the way I played. I felt like I looked like some of these really good guys."

Head Coach Dean Hogan said it's always tough to lose a senior and he said Avery, in his match against Moon, played his best tennis ever.

"That was a win for Sam that you can't call a win," Hogan said. "That match against Moon, who's seeded second in the state, was the best tennis Sam has played all year. He was staying in points and moving Moon around. Doing the things with his groundstrokes better than he's done all year."

The skies cleared, literally and figuratively, for Avery in round 2. All tennis was moved outdoors as the rains stopped and Avery found himself against Grant Sturm of Atlantic.

The match was slower as Avery let the sophomore dictate the pace of play and quickly jump to a 5-1 lead breaking Sturm's serve at games two, four, and six.

A Sturm would get a break when a let cord fell on Avery's side to take the first set to 5-3, but Avery would finish the set with an overhead at 40-30 in the sixth game.

The second set would be much the same style of play, but Avery couldn't shake Sturm until 4-3 when an overhead bounced over Sturm's head for a game point and a 5-3 lead. Avery would win the next game on serve for the match.

His final match Friday was against 4th-seeded Zach Wingert of Le-Mars, who was upset in the second round of the championship bracket by unseeded Jack Edwards of Pella.

The match went very much the same ways as Avery's first match with Avery knotting the score at 1-all on serve in the first set. The match was still on serve at 2-3 and then Wingert broke Avery's serve to go up 4-2 and take some of the energy from Avery.

Wingert would win 40-love on his next service game to go up 5-2 and then would break Avery in the eighth game to take the set.

The Bloodhound got down 0-4 after an unforced error at the net



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Bloodhound Sam Avery watches a forehand drop shot clear the net in his first round loss to #2 seeded Evan Moon of North Polk Alleman Friday at the Black Hawk Tennis Center in Waterloo.

off a Wingert running backhand cost Avery the game. Wingert would double fault at 30-40 in game five to give Avery his first game of the set and he seemed to find some rhythm from there taking the next game moving

Wingert from side to side and then ripping a backhand down to Wingert's right that got through to cut the lead to 2-4.

Avery would break serve to close the gap to 3-4, but Avery failed to consolidate and Wingert would break right back to put him one game from the match. He ended Avery's run in the next game on serve.

"With Moon and Win-

gert, they're gonna return every single ball and if it's a point, it's because you hit a better shot. With Moon I think he hit long maybe one time in the whole match. It was insane," Avery said.

"My goal since I was a freshman was just to get to state in either doubles or singles and it means a lot to be able to finally get here as a senior."

FIRST IMPRESSIONS LAST

A beautiful smile helps make a great first impression.

Make sure yours does.

Now accepting new patients.



Call Dr. Mark C. Pothitakis Family Dentistry now to schedule your 6-month checkup or click anywhere on this ad.



Fort Madison Family Dentistry East
319-372-3614

Fort Madison Family Dentistry West
319-372-4882

Burlington Family Dentistry
319-752-7993

Burlington Dental Associates
319-753-2515

Mediapolis Dental Care
319-394-3255

New London Dental Care
319-367-2311

5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

SUN 26 May



Heavy Intensity Rain
High- 76.2° F | Low - 66.1° F

MON 27 May



Moderate Rain
High- 78.7° F | Low - 69.7° F

TUE 28 May



Moderate Rain
High- 78.4° F | Low - 71.5° F

WED 29 May



Light Rain
High- 78.3° F | Low - 60.2° F

THU 30 May



Clear
High- 76.6° F | Low - 64.1° F

[OpenWeatherMap](#)

Sports

Thurmans play tight matches in both losses

THURMANS - Continued from Page 1

then Denison took the next four points to lead 6-1. Fort Madison would score the next point, but Moran and Reis would win in the next rally for the set.

Jason and Vasin regrouped and blew through the next set giving up only one game in a 6-1 rout and had all the momentum going into the first-to-ten superbreaker.

But an unusually long break of almost 10 minutes between the second set and the upcoming tiebreak seemed to clear the twins' momentum as they dropped the tiebreaker 4-10 to end their season.

"Taking that break in between the 2nd and 3rd set took some momentum away from us. We didn't want to take that long of a break, but it's just however long they want basically, I guess," Jason said.

The two played in one of the first matches of the day at the tournament, but were forced to play indoors due to a fickle Mother Nature that couldn't make up her mind, causing play to be indoors, then outdoors, back indoors, and finally outdoors for good after about 11:30.

The Hounds found themselves up against a couple of freshman from Cedar Rapids Xavier in Brady Horstmann and Hugh Corter. The first set was a nailbiter with the two teams exchanging points and games throughout. But the Saints were able to get up 6-5 and take the first set on the next game.

Fort Madison's duo couldn't seem to find the momentum and had some trouble hitting into the yellow

lights of the Black Hawk Tennis Center.

"We just kept giving them some easy shots and playing in the indoor courts was different, the yellow lights and the yellow ball was different. If they lobbed it up, it was hard to make out the ball against those yellow lights," Vasin said.

The two then ran up against Spencer's Marcus Klemme and Grant Carpenter and got in sync quickly, taking the first set 6-2 breaking three Spencer service games, and winning their own serves regularly at 40-love and 40-15.

The Tigers made somewhat a match of it in the second set keeping within a game of the Thurmans at 4-3 and 5-4. In the 10th game, Vasin hit a lob that got away from Reis in the back court, and then the Hounds put the match away two points later to earn the second round against Denison.

"We played decent today, but we could have played better. The first game we played - the other team was better than us, we could have beat them, but they were just better than us. The last game match we were just not mentally focused in the first set or the tie-break," Jason said.

Head Coach Dean Hogan said the third match, the boys lost some steam and energy in the tiebreaker.

"These boys came up here and played well. The twins, they had the momentum, but they just lost their legs in that tiebreaker in the final match. They just got tired," Hogan said.

The two qualified last year as freshman and didn't win a match, but have set a goal to finish in the top five next year. A win in that tiebreaker would have put them one win from a guaranteed top eight on Saturday.

LEARN. GROW. THRIVE.

FREE 4-Year Old Pre-School
2019-2020 Enrollment Open

Call or click for details!



220 26th St • Ft. Madison, IA • 319-372-2403

BURLINGTON YOUTH TRIATHLON

Sunday, June 23, 2019

9am Race Start • Dankwardt Park Pool

Register as an individual or a team!



Distances based on age group

Age 7-8	Age 9-11	Age 12-14
Swim 50 yd.	Swim 100 yd.	Swim 200 yd.
Bike 1.7 mi.	Bike 3.3 mi.	Bike 4.9 mi.
Run 1/4 mi.	Run 1/2 mi.	Run 1 mi.

Click this ad to register online!



Online registration at www.getmeregistered.com

More race info. at www.facebook.com/BurlingtonYouthTriathlon



[Click for Details](#)

Do you like ice cream? We sure do!

*As our way of saying thank you,
we invite our loyal customers and friends
to our annual ice cream socials.*

**Tuesday, June 4
Thursday, June 6**

319-469-3951
www.pilotgrovesavingsbank.com

