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2017 - A Year in Review

May & June

OBITUARIES

Tyrone J. Lozano

Tyrone J. Lozano, 45, of Ft. Madison passed away at 1:29 AM on Friday, May 19, 2017 at the West Point Care Center.



LOZANO

He was born on September 15, 1971 in Ft. Madison to Rito and Paula Porrez Lozano. Ty was a 1989 graduate of Ft. Madison High School. On September 20, 1997 he married Shanon Brown and they later divorced. Ty was a correc-

tional officer at Iowa State Penitentiary for almost 26 years. He was an avid Cubs, Cowboys and Hawkeye fan. Ty enjoyed fishing, playing shooting barbe-enjoyed

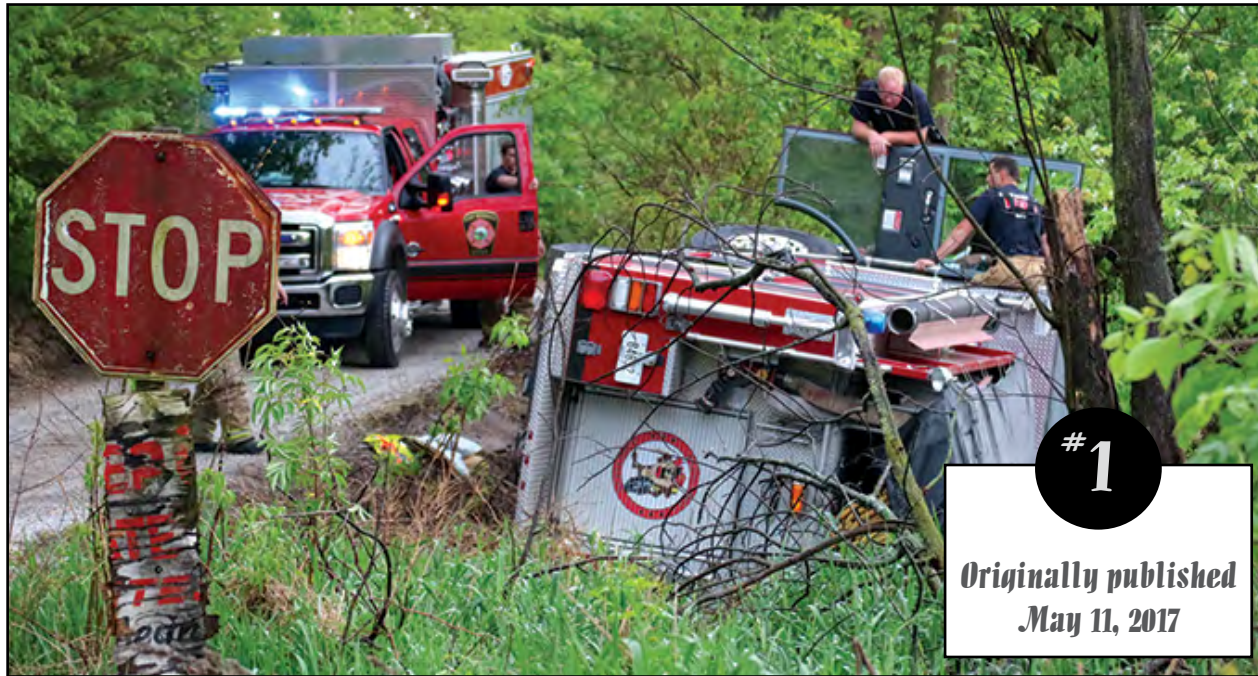
also hunting, bowling, cards, pool and quing. He spending

time with his family and friends.

Survivors include a son, Quinlan Lozano of Ft. Madison; his parents, Rito and Paula Lozano of Ft. Madison; three brothers including his twin Travis Lozano, Sam (Laura) Lozano and G.J. (Lisa) Lozano all of Ft. Madison; six sisters, Rita (Joe) Cangas of Des Moines, "Lali (Rick) Leach of Oklahoma, Sherri (Donnie) Dobbs of Cedar Rapids, Pam Lozano, Renay (Memo) Dominguez of Guerrero Chihuahua, Mexico and Betsi Lozano all of Ft. Madison; numerous nieces and nephews and his special friend, Angela Kruse of Peoria, AZ. He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents.

The family will meet with friends from 1-4 PM on Sunday, May 21, 2017 at Sacred Heart Church. Following the visitation cremation will be entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The funeral mass will be held at 10:30 AM on Monday, May 22, 2017 at Sacred Heart Church with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

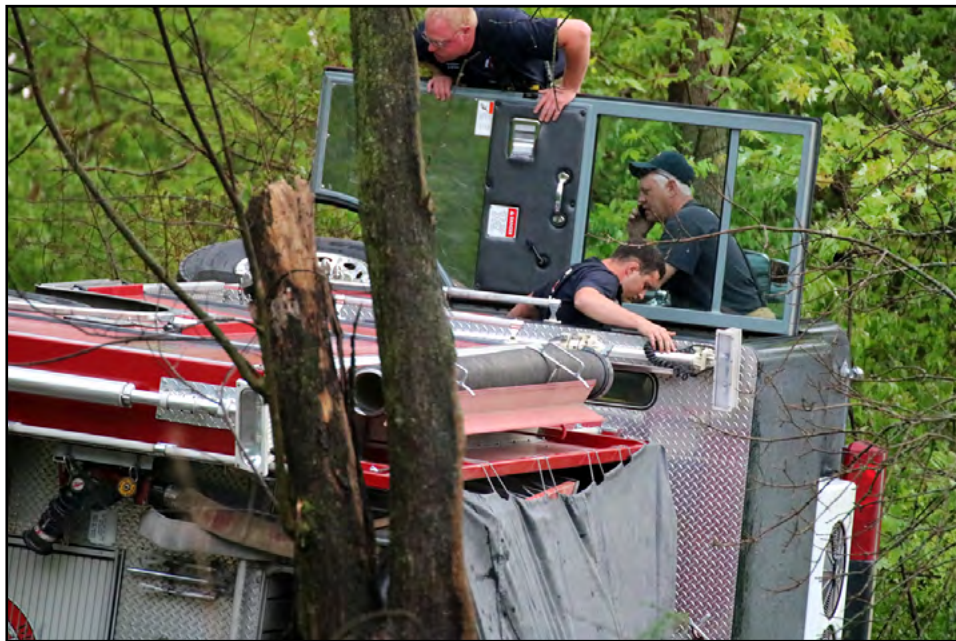
In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in his memory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.



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May 11, 2017

Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC



Close call

Responding to an injury accident Wednesday evening on 35th Street south of the railroad bridge, a Fort Madison fire truck tipped on its side into the slough in about 2-3 feet of water. All firefighters in the truck were able to get out. No injuries were reported at the scene.

Looking back on 2017

Editors Note:

As the year comes to a close, it is customary to look back at the stories that affected us throughout the year. Being an all-digital newspaper with multiple social media channels, we have many avenues to consider when deciding to review the year behind us.

We chose to feature the Top 10 Best Read news articles from our website pencitycurrent.com and the Top 10 Facebook posts that impressed the most readers from each month.

Each issue of 2017 - A Year in Review will feature two months of these stories as they originally appeared.

These stories touched thousands of lives this year, whether they were heartbreaking or heartwarming, good news or bad.

We hope you enjoy looking back on the year with us as we usher in a new year filled with new stories. You can rest assured Pen City Current will be reporting those stories in a factual, unbiased way in the manner you've become accustomed to - whether you're reading them on our website, on our mobile app, in our e-Edition, or in any of our social media channels.

We thank you for your patronage and wish you a peaceful new year.

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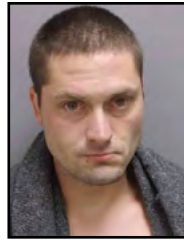
Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

A benefit for Chase Harkey turned out to be more than an outpouring of support and love as Harkey was presented with his diploma from Fort Madison High School. Fort Madison Community School District Superintendent Erin Slater was on hand to make the presentation along with Creative Learning Center instructor Debora Hentzel.

Task force arrests man on drug charges

PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of a Fort Madison, Iowa man on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.



ATWATER

Jeremy Abraham Atwater, 27, of 1628 Avenue

A, Fort Madison, Iowa was arrested on May 23rd, 2017 in the 1100 block of Avenue I on felony and misdemeanor drug charges. Atwater is charged with

Possession of Meth-

amphetamine Less than Five Grams with the Intent to Deliver, a class C felony, four counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance (Oxycodone, Methamphetamine, Alprazolam, and Marijuana), a serious misdemeanor, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Atwater faces up to 14 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.

The arrest of Atwater stems from an investigation by the Lee County Narcotics Task Force into allegations that he was involved in the use of illegal narcotics in the Lee County area.

The Lee County Attor-

#4

Originally published
May 24, 2017

ney's Office, and the Fort Madison Police Department assisted the Lee County Narcotics Task Force in this investigation.

The defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

The Lee County Narcotics Task Force is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Justice and the funds administered by the Iowa Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy.

#5

Originally published
April 25, 2017

ISP to offer old prison tours May 7

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – Warden Patti Wachtendorf is pleased to announce that there will be a public tour of the Historic Iowa State Penitentiary that has been closed since August, 1st 2015.



WACHTENDORF

This public event will take place on Sunday, May 7th beginning at 9:00 a.m. Parking is restricted to the South Lot.

Anyone touring is being asked to bring a nonperishable item to be donated to the local Food Pantry. Each tour will be guided by either a retired or current staff member who will be able to provide details regarding the operation of the 176-year-old facility.

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County deputy shoots burglar



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Two Iowa State Patrol officers go over the crime scene just west of Montrose early Monday morning after Lee County Sheriff Dakota Foley shot 29-year-old Joshua Welborn of Montrose after he allegedly was caught breaking into a trailer in the 2400 block of 270th Street around 12:30 a.m. In the background Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber interviews the homeowner about the incident.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

born, 29 had allegedly gained entrance to a home and was subsequently shot by Lee County Deputy Dakota Foley after failing to respond to commands.

According to Sheriff Stacy Weber, the homeowner was home at the time of the incident and the suspect was taken to

MONTROSE - A Lee County deputy shot a suspect in a home invasion early Monday morning near Montrose.

Lee County Sheriff's deputies were called to Lot #212 at around 12:30 a.m. Monday morning where Joshua V. Wel-

See SHOOTING, page 10

Top May Stories #6-10

#6 Thursday rollover injures one

Originally published May 5, 2017

Read the article here: <http://www.pencitycurrent.com/2017/05/04/thursday-evening-accident-sends-one-hospital/>

#7 Fort Madison man killed in county mishap

Originally published May 29, 2017

Read the article here: <http://www.pencitycurrent.com/2017/05/29/fort-madison-man-killed-county-mishap/>

#8 ISP tour primes charities, fosters ideas

Originally published May 8, 2017

Read the article <http://www.pencitycurrent.com/2017/05/08/sunday-isp-tour-primes-charities-fosters-ideas/>

#9 Area woman seeking answers in river rescue

Originally published May 26, 2017

Read the article here: <http://www.pencitycurrent.com/2017/05/25/montrose-woman-looking-answers-river-rescue/>

#10 Hesse Marketplace set to open Thursday

Originally published May 31, 2017

Read the article here: <http://www.pencitycurrent.com/2017/05/30/hesse-seventh-street-marketplace-set-thursday-grand-opening/>

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Top May Facebook Posts

#1 Originally published May 10, 2017
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Published by WordPress [?] · May 10 ·

BY PCC STAFF FORT MADISON – Responding to an injury accident Wednesday evening on 35th Street south of the railroad bridge, a Fort Madison fire truck tipped on its side into the slough in about... [19 more words]
Finish reading the report here: <https://www.pencitycurrent.com/.../fm-fire-truck-flips-way-a.../>



FM fire truck flips on way to accident

BY PCC STAFF FORT MADISON – Responding to an injury accident Wednesday evening on 35th Street south of the railroad bridge, a Fort Madison fire truck tipped on its side into the slough in about [Read More...]

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#2 Originally published May 22, 2017
Reached 23,717 people
See the post here: <https://www.facebook.com/PenCityCurrent/posts/1782815738696654>

Pen City Current added 3 new photos.
Published by Chuck Vandenberg [?] · May 22 ·

Three FM residents nabbed by task force
BY PCC STAFF
FORT MADISON - The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of three Fort Madison, Iowa residents on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.
Connie Raye Martin, 41, Heavenly Wendy Omiatek, 20, and Douglas Scott Knittle, 48, of 836 Avenue F #2, Fort Madison, Iowa were arrested on May 4th, 2017
...
Read here for full details on the arrests: <https://www.pencitycurrent.com/.../three-fm-residents-nabbed.../>



#3 Originally published May 13, 2017
Reached 19,649 people
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BY PCC STAFF A benefit for Chase Harkey turned out to be more than an outpouring of support and love as Harkey was presented with his diploma from Fort Madison High School... [83 more words]
Read the rest of the story here: <https://www.pencitycurrent.com/.../harkey-gets-diploma-benef.../>



Harkey gets diploma at benefit

BY PCC STAFF A benefit for Chase Harkey turned out to be more than an outpouring of support and love as Harkey was presented with his diploma from Fort Madison High School. Fort Madison Community [Read More...]

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BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR FORT MADISON – With less than two days before its grand opening, the occupants of the Hesse Seventh Street... [994 more words]
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<https://www.pencitycurrent.com/.../hesse-seventh-street-mark.../>



Hesse Seventh Street Marketplace set for Thursday grand opening

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BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR FORT MADISON - In just two weeks, a quickly assembled tour of the old prison generated more than seven tons of food for the local food pantry and put money in the coffers of the P.A.W. animal shelter. Final numbers released today... [996 more words]

Read more on the ISP tour results here at :
<https://www.pencitycurrent.com/.../sunday-isp-tour-primers-ch.../>



Sunday ISP tour primes charities, fosters ideas

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR FORT MADISON - In just two weeks, a quickly assembled tour of the old prison generated more than seven tons of food for the local food pantry and put money [Read More...]

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#6 Originally published May 20, 2017
 Reached 11,012 people
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 Published by Chuck Vandenberg [?] · May 20 ·

Congratulations FMHS coach Brian Mendez on 25 years and your recognition at the Iowa high school state track meet



#7 Originally published May 19, 2017
 Reached 10,478 people
 See the post here: <https://www.facebook.com/PenCityCurrent/posts/1781008808877347>

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Tyrone J. Lozano, 45, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 1:29 a.m. on Friday, May 19, 2017 at the West Point Care Center. Arrangements are pending at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.
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King-Lynk Funeral Home Death Notice – Tyrone J. Lozano

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ROBERT H. "BOB" KEMPKER

Robert H. "Bob" Kempker, 84, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 11:20 a.m. on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at Fort Madison Community Hospital. He was born on June 14, 1932 in St. Paul, IA to Henry & Ida Overberg Kempker. He married Barbara J. Hunsaker on August 1, 1953 in Fort Madison, IA. He and his wife Barb founded Kempker Hardware, which they owned and operated for 40 plus years. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was a member of Holy Family Parish, Knights of Columbus, Kiwanis and the Fort Madison Elks Lodge. He enjoyed working in his yard, but his greatest love was spending time with his family,



KEMPKER

especially his grandchildren.

Bob is survived by: his wife: Barb Kempker of Fort Madison, IA; 1-son: Chuck (Dawn) Kempker of Fort Madison, IA; 4-daughters: Sharon (Steve) Thomas of Nevada, IA, Debra (James) Conaway of Raleigh, NC, Sandra (Dave) Holtkamp of Fort Madison, IA & Peggy Garlow of Phoenix, AZ; 12-grandchildren; 18-great grandchildren; 3-sisters: Ann (Richard) Helling of New Hampton, IA, Bernice (Jerome) Sokolik of Davenport, IA & Dorothy (Mark) Pollpeter of West Point, IA. He was preceded in death by: his parents, 1-granddaughter: Dallas Hnat & 1-brother: Dennis Kempker.



The family will receive friends from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. with a wake service to be held at 5:30 p.m. all on Sunday, June 11, 2017 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church in Fort Madison. The funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 12, 2017 at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church with Rev. Mark P. Spring officiating. Burial will be held at Sacred Heart Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in his memory. Online condolences to Bob's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com. King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Top May Facebook Posts

#8 Originally published May 22, 2017
Reached 10,257 people
See the post here: <https://www.facebook.com/PenCityCurrent/posts/1783001135344781>

Pen City Current
Published by WordPress [?] · May 22 ·

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR A local watch group has made good on its efforts to replace the flags at Soldiers' Circle in Oakland Cemetery. On Monday evening, 88 flags were donated at the Fort Madison Fire Department, which oversees the handling of the flags. The group, spearheaded by Heath Hawthorne who coordinated the flag campaign, Verl Cartwright and Bill Noll, two veterans with the 34th Place Neighborhood watch group, presented the flags at the fire department. [206 more words]

<https://www.pencitycurrent.com/.../34th-place-group-donates-.../>



34th place group donates 88 flags to Fire Department

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR A local watch group has made good on its efforts to replace the flags at Soldiers' Circle in Oakland Cemetery. On Monday evening, 88 flags were donated at the Fort [Read More...]

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#9 Originally published May 9, 2017
Reached 9,733 people
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Published by Lee K. Vandenberg [?] · May 9 ·

FM fire was on the scene this morning at Richardson Elementary after a water fountain motor burned out on the second floor, according to fire chief Joey Herren. Students were evacuated at about 8:05 and returned at 8:25.



#10 Originally published May 15, 2017
Reached 9,055 people
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BY PCC STAFF FORT MADISON - In what can be a new tradition in the Fort Madison Community School District, the Fort Madison High School seniors donned their graduation crimson and black gowns [103 more words]

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FMHS 2017 grads parade local elementaries

BY PCC STAFF FORT MADISON - In what can be a new tradition in the Fort Madison Community School District, the Fort Madison High School seniors donned their graduation crimson and black gowns and paraded [Read More...]

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Construction worker suffers fall at work site

Circumstances of fall and victim's name not released yet

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BY CHUCK
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PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - A construction worker was

injured in a fall at a local hotel at about 3:30 p.m. Wednesday afternoon. Fort Madison rescue personnel were dispatched by LeeComm to Boulders Inn & Suites Fort Madison on the western end of Fort Madison for a report of a worker who had suffered a fall at the construction site. However, neither the

specific circumstance of the fall nor the identity of the worker have been released. Fort Madison Police, Fort Madison Fire & Rescue and Lee County Ambulance responded to the scene and the worker was transported to Fort Madison Community Hospital with injuries.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison police talk with construction workers on the north side of the Boulders Inn and Suites expansion project Wednesday at about 3:50 p.m. A construction worker was taken to Fort Madison Community Hospital after suffering a fall at the site.

Montrose woman claims \$30,000 lottery prize

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CLIVE, Iowa - A southeast Iowa woman said she didn't know how to react last week after finding out she won a big lottery prize.

Juliene Spiker of Montrose claimed the 11th of 42 prizes of \$30,000 available in the Iowa Lottery's "Ultimate Riches" scratch game.

Spiker said she bought her ticket Thursday at Fort Madison Fast Break, 5002 Avenue O in Fort Madison and played it right away. She ended up winning 15 prizes of \$2,000 each, for a total of \$30,000.

"When I was scratching it off (I said), 'That key doesn't match; It can't match, it's \$2,000,'" Spiker told lottery employees Friday as she claimed



her prize at the lottery's regional office in Cedar Rapids. "And then I kept scratching and (14) others match. It's like, 'They really don't match - yes, they do! They do match!'"

The 51-year-old said she was still inside the store when she scratched off her ticket and found out she'd won, but she didn't say anything because she was in disbelief.

"I never yelled. I never screamed," she said. "I

knew they matched, but it was unreal. It was a dream; there was no way they could match."

Spiker said she plans to use a majority of her winnings to remodel her house, pay bills, and save the rest.

Ultimate Riches is the Iowa Lottery's first-ever \$30 scratch game. More details about how to play this game, and number of prizes still up for grabs in it can be found on the Iowa Lottery's website, www.ialottery.com.

DCI identifies suspect, officer in shooting

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

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MONTROSE - The suspect in an early morning shooting just west of Montrose has been identified by the Iowa Department of Criminal Investigation as Joshua V. Welborn, 29, of Montrose.

DCI also identified Lee County Deputy Dakota Foley as the officer who hit Welborn with a single-gunshot wound to the chest and Welborn remains at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics with what are believed to be non-life threatening injuries.

Deputies of the Lee County (Iowa) Sheriff's Office responded to the 2400 block of 270th Street in rural Montrose, Iowa for a call of a burglary in progress at approximately 12:30 a.m. Monday.

Deputy Foley has been a member of the Lee County Sheriff's Office for the past 2 years.

The shooting is currently under investigation by the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation and the Iowa Attorney General's Office. No further information will be released at this time.

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Lee County Sheriff investigating overnight shooting near Montrose

PCC STAFF Lee County Sheriff is at the scene of a shooting in the 2700 block of 270th Street. One victim is being treated for a gunshot wound. Fort Madison...

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BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR FORT MADISON - With his parents and grandparents building the generational Palms Restaurant in Fort Madison, the Pothitakis children all had job security, but local dentist Dr. Mark Pothitakis said first and foremost the children all had to get college degrees. Pothitakis just passed his 25 year mark in dentistry, but said it all started with the work ethic his parents instilled in him. [1,183 more word]

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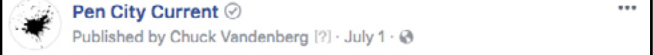


After 25 years, Pothitakis just getting started

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#3 Originally published June 30, 2017
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Lee County emergency crews are on the scene of a single ATV accident in the 3000 block of Old Quarry Road that occurred just before midnight northeast of Denmark. Denmark Fire & Rescue and Lee County Sheriff deputies are on the scene and two rescue helicopters have been dispatched. Two teenagers have been injured in a heavily wooded area and helicopters are looking for a place to land.

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BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR FORT MADISON - The smell of warm tortillas and smoke filled the corner of 7th Street and Avenue G Thursday evening as live music permeated the screened-in porch of what is now TACO, TACO, TAKOS! The grand opening of the Hesse 7th Street Marketplace was greeted by several hundred people in the afternoon and then again in the evening. [369 more words]

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BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR FORT MADISON -There's a saying that goes something like, "They broke the mold when they made him". In a small community it may be better if the mold isn't broken all the time. Because if we had more people with the simple beliefs of community...of business... and most importantly, family, it just may be an easier world to live in. [1,641 more word]

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In Memoriam
Robert H. "Bob" Kempker
 June 14, 1932 - June 7, 2017

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Homeowner had defensive wounds

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Fort Madison Community Hospital and transferred by AirEvac to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics where he is said to have non-life threatening injuries.

“This was a burglary in progress and when our guys arrived the suspect confronted our officers on arrival and was shot,” he said.

The homeowner had defensive wounds but declined medical treatment.

Lee County EMS, Fort Madison Police, Iowa State Patrol, Lee County Attorney’s office, the Iowa Department of Criminal Investigations and AirEvac were called for assistance.

The shooting of investigation is now being handled by the Iowa Attorney General’s office and the Iowa DCI. Lee County is investigating the burglary and charges are pending.

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Lee County Sheriff and Donnellson Fire and Rescue are at the scene of a two- vehicle accident w/injuries at intersection of X23 and Hwy 2.



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Robert "Bob" Kempker, age 84 of Ft. Madison, passed away on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 11:20 AM at the Ft. Madison Community Hospital. Arrangements are pending at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.

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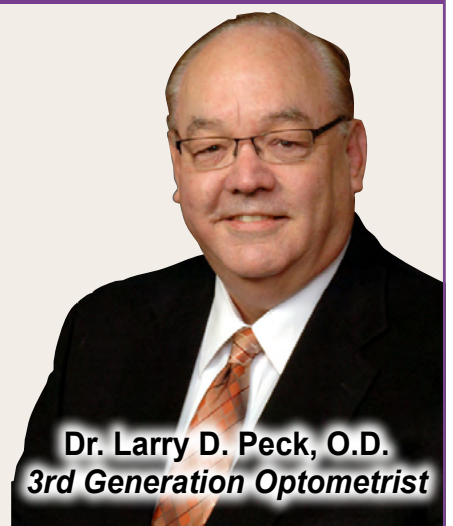
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