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Record celebration Tuesday at Heron Bend

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

MONTROSE - If you haven't been out to the Lee County Conservation Center at Heron Bend in Montrose, it's a site in full bloom and of a new world record.

More than 6,000 tulips are in bloom along two parallel "S" curves on the southwest corner of

the property, the result of 1,484 volunteers who planted all the tulips in less than 30 minutes last fall, and on Tuesday a celebration will be held at the center to honor the individuals, volunteers, businesses, and industries that helped make the event possible. The celebration starts at 1 p.m.

Lee County Economic Development Group



FRAISE

Chief Operating Officer Dennis Fraise, said he was notified by the Guinness Book of World Records staff that they had reviewed all the evidence, reduced the amount of people submitted by one person and recognized

the new world record for "The most people planting flower bulbs simultaneously". Fraise said the documented old record was 850 set in 2014 by a group in the United Kingdom, however another group had sneaked in and beat that attempt just two weeks ago by having 1,293 people planting at the same time. He said that

group out of Bentspils, Latvia had paid to have a Guinness on site for the attempt and the record was verified there, however, the LCEDG effort has brought enough people in to still surpass that goal by 191 and the website is currently being updated to reflect the local effort.

"I think it was about two weeks ago, that they

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City pool deal on hold

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - A potential agreement that would have given the Fort Madison YMCA management of the Fort Madison swimming pool has been put on hold.

According to City Manager David Varley, the groups wanted to take more time to look over the option. Varley said the agreement has just been tabled until the fall.

"Their board met last week and talked about it and they decided they would wait until next year to get a clearer picture of the operations," he said. "They wanna take some time on the budget numbers and what it will cost them to run it."

Varley said the YMCA will "shadow" the city this year while running the pool and the city would provide monthly financials to the Y so they can compare how budgeting is done and get a better feel of the operations.

"It was just a little too much, too fast. It's better for everyone if we wait and then they can see how it runs and get a better handle on it," Varley said. We'll bring it back in the fall and get it all set up for next year."

Fort Madison YMCA Director Ryan Wilson said the time frame was

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ISP puts changes in place to combat drug issue

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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FORT MADISON -Iowa Department of Corrections officials are changing procedures at the Iowa State Penitentiary in Fort Madison due to an increase in drug and contraband activity at the prison.

According to DOC spokeswoman Lettie Prell, prison officials are currently investigating twelve incidents involving contraband including a drug known as K2, a synthetic form of marijuana.

In a statement released at the end of last week, Danny Homan, president of the American Federal, State, County and Municipal Employees Union Council 61 in Iowa, said recent activity has been high for drug incidents at ISP.

"In recent weeks, a total of twelve inmates have been tied to an infiltration of the synthetic drug, K2. The inmates involved have either been found in possession of the drug, or near overdose from the dangerous effects of the substance. Despite the sudden rise in drug-related incidents, the facility has yet to be locked down for a thorough sweep to remove all traces of the drug from the premises. Staff who have worked at the facility for decades are confident that this is the worst drug problem they have ever seen.

Prell said Monday investigations into the incidents have not confirmed that

all 12 are related to the K2, but state and local correction officials are putting measures in place to combat the surge.

"We can confirm there has been K2 in the ISP and our investigation is underway and not completed. We have not confirmed, however, that all 12 are associated with the K2. And for obvious security reasons we cannot elaborate on any procedural changes that are taking place," she said.

A statement released on Monday afternoon from Letti's office through the ISP office indicated the prison has put new procedures in place to cut off the influx of K2 and any other drug contraband.

"The Iowa State Penitentiary has identified the presence of contraband drugs within the institution and is taking appropriate steps to address the situation. Although the matter is currently under investigation, prison officials have announced immediate changes in procedures with regard to mail and visiting to intercept contraband," the statement indicated.

Prell went on to write that staff at ISP has also been provided information both verbally and via email on the identification of substances, including the drug known as K2 and that offenders who have been found in possession or use

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Courtesy photo by Tim Gobble

Tim Gobble, Executive Director of Fort Madison Partners, leads the volunteer efforts for P.O.R.T. last Thursday. The volunteers gathered along the P.O.R.T. trail to plant a variety of trees to enhance the trail aesthetics.

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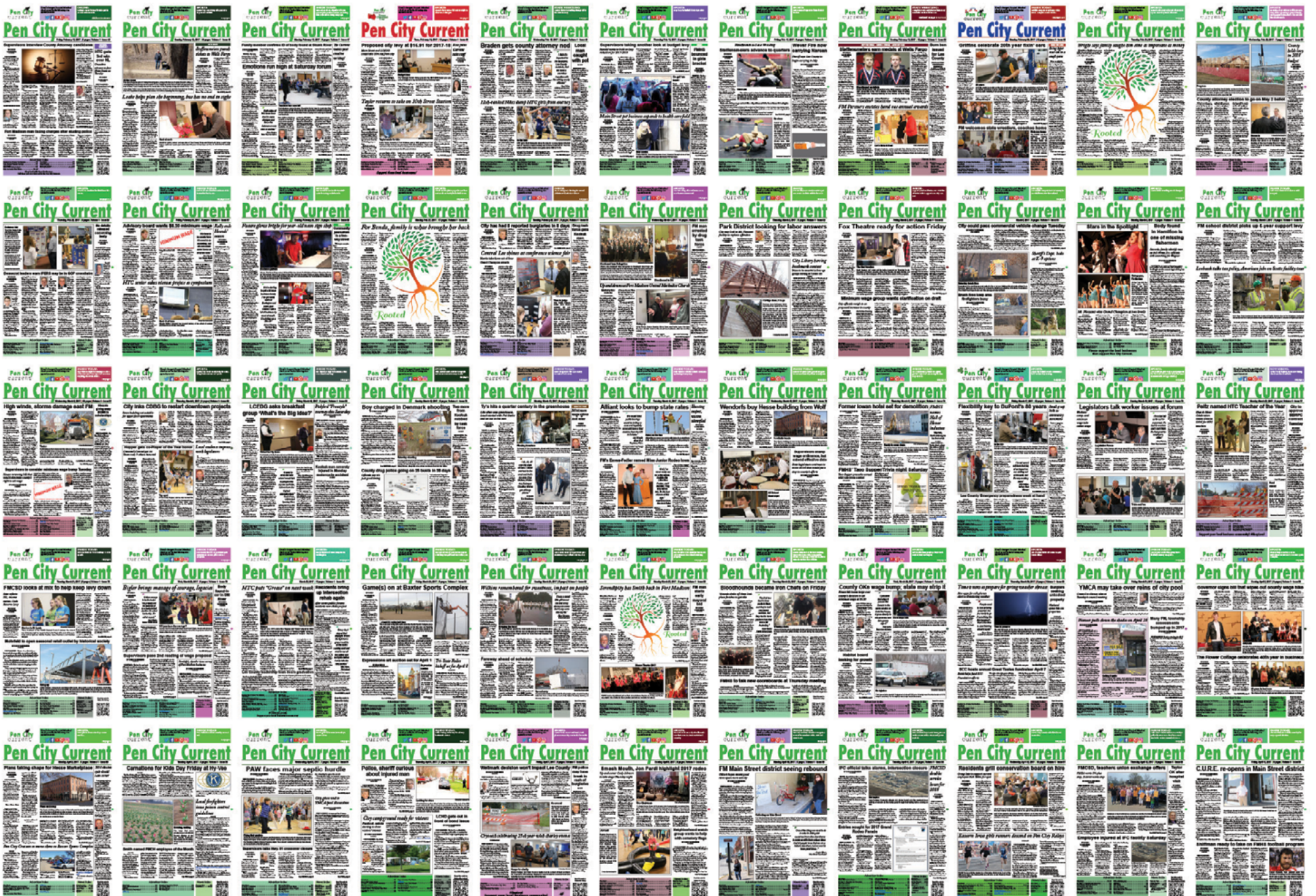


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For the Record

Fort Madison Police Record

04/13/17 - 1:23 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of burglary in the 3200 block of Avenue J.
 04/13/17 - 6:25 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 3000 block of Avenue E.
 04/13/17 - 7:36 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of burglary in the 2200 block of Avenue F.
 04/13/17 - 8:36 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 200 block of Avenue E.
 04/13/17 - 9:38 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 200 block of Crescent Lane.
 04/13/17 - 9:42 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 300 block of 34th Place.
 04/13/17 - 10:32 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 600 block of Avenue E.
 04/13/17 - 10:42 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 300 block of Crescent Lane.
 04/13/17 - 1:37 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a property damage accident in the 2400 block of Avenue E.
 04/13/17 - 1:56 p.m. - Fort

Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 2600 block of Avenue I.
 04/13/17 -2:49 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of 200 block of Vica Lane.
 04/13/17 - 3:42 p.m. -Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 300 block of Crescent Lane.
 04/13/17 - 4:12 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/ theft on Lanewood Drive.
 04/13/17 - 5:09 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2800 block of Main Street
 04/13/17 - 5:35 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 900 block of Avenue F.
 04/13/17 - 6:02 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 5400 block of Avenue O.
 04/13/17 - 6:58 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2700 block of Avenue O.
 04/13/17 - 7:04 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a property damage accident at the intersection of 27th Street and Avenue L.
 04/13/17 - 7:14 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2700 block of Avenue K.

04/13/17 - 8:23 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Brandon Jon Luke Wagner, 18 of Fort Madison, in the 2100 block of Avenue E on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 04/13/17 - 11:18 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Taylor Russell Young, 21, on a charge of driving while barred in the 2800 block of Avenue O. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 04/14/17 - 1:53 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested William Earl Jones, 52, of Fort Madison on a charge of disorderly conduct in the 1400 block of Avenue E. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 04/14/17 - 7:43 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism on Sunnyside Drive.
 04/14/17 - 1:05 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a property damage accident in the 700 block of Avenue G.
 04/14/17 - 1:58 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Adam Andrew Nolz, 30, no address given, on charges of trespassing, simple misdemeanor and on a warrant out of Mt. Pleasant. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
 04/14/17 - 5:17 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a property damage accident in

the 2200 block of Avenue L.
 04/14/17 - 5:39 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1400 block of Avenue C.
 04/15/17 - 2:30 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited and released Amber Cabel, 28 of Burlington on a charge of disorderly conduct.
 04/15/17 - 2:37 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Heather Leann Guinard, 35 of Burlington on a charge of disorderly conduct and a warrant for failure to get fingerprinted. She was taken to the Des Moines County line.
 04/15/17 - 2:37 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited and released Dezzerrae M. Lucas, 26, of Burlington on charge of disorderly conduct.
 04/15/17 - 7:41 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 400 block of 14th Street.
 04/15/17 - 10:42 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 800 block of Avenue E.
 04.15.17 - 11:08 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2400 block of Avenue H.
 04/15/17 - 12:36 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit-and-run in

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Task force nabs FM woman on drug charges

PCC STAFF

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

Shawna Virgil, 42, of 2637 Avenue I, Fort Madison, Iowa was arrested on April 13th, 2017 at the Fort Madison Police Department on misdemeanor drug charges. Virgil is charged with maintaining a drug house, an aggravated misdemeanor, two counts of possession of a controlled substance (Clonazepam and Marijuana), and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Virgil faces up to 4 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.



VIRGIL

The arrest of Virgil stems from an investigation by the Lee County Narcotics Task Force into allegations that she was involved in the use of illegal drugs in the Fort Madison area. A search warrant was served in connection to this investigation and items that support the charges were discovered.

The Lee County Attorney's Office, Iowa State Penitentiary K9 Unit, 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.

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OBITUARIES

KEVIN HOUSTON

Kevin Houston, 61 years, of Des Moines and formerly of Denmark, Iowa died Sunday, April 16, 2017 at his home. Arrangements are pending at the Barr Memorial Chapel, Fort Madison, Iowa.

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More than 6,000 tulips in bloom

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verified it and lowered it by one, and they were going to update their records and website," Fraise said Monday morning. "In the meantime, I got on their website and it showed that someone else set it higher. We still beat that number, I just found that interesting."

A committee spearheaded by Fraise and LCEDG Marketing and Communications Manager Dana Millard set plans in motion in the summer of 2016 on a very short timeline and were able to bring more than 1,000 students and close to 500 other volunteers out to the property to plant the tulips that were purchased through donations from local industries and businesses in the county.

On Oct. 18, in less than 30 minutes, more than 6,000 tulips were planted. Fraise said it shows how Lee County can work together to accomplish great things.

"We're gonna get everyone together. The tulips are blooming and about halfway through their life. We're gonna have a brief ceremony just to acknowledge all the hard work, industry, volunteers. Cool thing to commemorate," he said.

Another set of Blazing Star tulips will be blooming in the summer. Those tulips were donated by Pheasants Forever as part of a pollination program that helps benefit the environment and certain native species of butterflies.



PCC file photo by Chuck Vandenberg

The tulips that were planted last fall as part of a world record attempt are now in bloom. The public is invited to attend a celebration Tuesday beginning at 1 p.m. and see the tulips.

Voter pre-registration deadline approaching

PCC STAFF

Friday, April 21, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. is the final day to pre-register to vote in the Tuesday, May 2, 2017 Special Election. You must be a United States Citizen, a Lee County resident and at least 17 1/2 years old to register to vote, but 18 years old by Election Day in order to vote.

Residents may register to vote in person at the Lee County Auditor's Office located at 933 Avenue H, Fort Madison

from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm or the South Lee County Courthouse, 25 N. 7th St, Keokuk located at the west hall across from the Lee County Assessor's Office, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

You may also download and print a form from the Lee County website www.leecounty.org.

Iowa law now allows eligible persons to register and vote at the polls on Election Day. An Elec-

REGISTER
to
VOTE



The deadline to register is Friday, April 21, 2017

tion Day registrant must provide acceptable proof of identity and current residence in the precinct. Voters choosing this op-

tion should plan to take a few extra minutes for the transaction.

Regular office hours are 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

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1703 Avenue L
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Has been owned by this seller since 1960!!! Large eat-in kitchen with newly tiled floor includes stove, microwave, washer and dryer, main floor laundry (in bedroom), formal dining room with built-in hutch, and spacious living room. The house sits on a HUGE lot and has a nice 2 car garage in back. Home has Gas Heat and central air with maintenance-free siding on house and garage.

1712 Avenue E
Listing #20164725 • \$92,000



4BR • 1.50BA
1,706 sq. ft. • 7,250 sq. ft. lot

This spacious home has it all, the character of a turn of the century home; beautiful woodwork, beamed ceilings, window seat, columns, and large covered front porch, yet also includes MANY updates. Call today for your private viewing!

3098 County Road 103
Listing #20164991 • \$129,900



2BR • 2BA • 3 car garage
1,404 sq. ft. • 1.42 acres

Upgrades, improvements, updates...call it what you like, this home has had MANY in the last 2 plus years. This seller has completely refurbished the hill to the north of the home with new landscaping finishes. This is a must see property!!! It has enough room for your family and then some!!!

4911 Bluff Road
Listing #20164861 • \$157,500



3BR • 1.75BA • 2 car garage
1,772 sq. ft. • 0.57 acres

Great family home with LOTS OF NEW! New kitchen, bathroom, windows, most flooring, wrap around deck, ceiling fans, light fixtures, furnace and central air! Beautiful neutral decor and window treatments make this a must see! All this and a 2 car heated garage.

1708 Avenue G
Listing #20165237 • \$92,500



3BR • 1BA
1,432 sq. ft. • 5,500 sq. ft. lot

This UPDATED, MOVE-IN READY, CHARMING 3 bedroom home will make an awesome family home!!! This gem has all new windows throughout, exterior doors, deck, plumbing, & NEW roof on house & garage. So come check it out! This is a MUST SEE!!!





**3 BR • 2 BA • 2 car garage
1,168 sq. ft. • 0.54 acres**

Quality and beauty! Many updates and upgrades including a new concrete patio/carport with surround sound and mood lighting, new kitchen, bath and lighting throughout. This is an AMAZING house that you MUST see to appreciate!!!

Listing #20164622 • \$88,000



**3 BR • 2 BA • 2 car garage
1,168 sq. ft. • 0.54 acres**

Lovely family home comfortably situated at the end of a cul de sac, where you can enjoy the woods and the privacy! There is an inviting deck off the back of the home overlooking the woods and beautiful vinyl fencing. There are newer mechanicals and a newer roof, 2 fireplaces and lots of storage!! Don't miss out on this beauty.

Listing #20163951 • \$129,000



**5BR • 2.50BA • 2 car garage
2,834 sq. ft.**

14,868 sq. ft. lot

Amazing family home on a large corner lot in Farmington, IA. 2 fireplaces, beautiful woodwork, a beautiful open front porch, a large yard and an oversized garage!!

Listing #20164117 • \$127,500



**2BR • 1BA • 1 car garage
1,224 sq. ft.**

7,250 sq. ft. lot

A house with character! Wrap-around porch, original hardwood in formal dining room/living room combo, main floor laundry, nice size eat-in kitchen including appliances, dining room has original fireplace, basement and 1 car garage.

Listing #20162543 • \$53,000



**5BR • 1.75BA • 1 car garage
1,904 sq. ft. • 1,903 sq. ft. lot**

Great family home on large corner lot in the middle of Ft. Madison. Large living / dining area with original craftsman woodwork and built-ins, 14 x 22 garage on the alley with 2 additional storage sheds. Nice front porch, rear deck, and a great sunroom on the East.

**Listing #20162346
\$86,950**



**3BR • 1BA • 1 car garage
928 sq. ft. • 1,087 sq. ft. lot**

Very nice maintenancefree home by Lincoln School with a 75 X 145 fenced yard, nice patio, fire pit and child's play set! Some very nice built-ins, some original hardwood flooring, full basement including laundry area. Also find extra parking, garage and carport area on the paved alley.

Listing #20164148 • \$72,500



**5BR • 3BA
3,119 sq. ft.**

14,500 sq. ft. lot

From the period wrought iron fencing to the amazing stained oak staircase...from the impressive arches to the large wrap porch, this beautiful turn of the century (20th) home offers all the beauty and elegance of that era. This is a beautifully appointed home with all the modern conveniences. There is an extra large lot for your family to enjoy!!

Listing #20162159 • \$164,000



**3 BR • 2 BA • 1 car garage
2,260 sq. ft.
6,784 sq. ft. lot**

Lots of new! Semi open floor plan, new flooring, great open basement family space, and many updates including heat/air units, kitchen back splash, counters and more! Fenced in back yard with stamped concrete patio and awning. Call today to see this great home in a quiet neighborhood.

Listing #20164544 • \$139,900



**3BR • 3BA
2,754 sq. ft.**

3,550 sq. ft. lot

Gorgeous, turn-key home with large patio minimum maintenance. UPDATES GALORE!!! Practically perfect in every way, this 1841 home includes the latest improvements while keeping its Victorian charm.

Listing #23006122 • \$99,999



**2BR • 1BA • 2 car garage
930 sq. ft. • 7,280 sq. ft. lot**

This 2 bedroom home in Montrose has been a rental property and sells as is. Priced way below assessed value to sell quickly!

Listing #20164279 • \$38,500





**2BR • 1BA
1,144 sq. ft.
3,625 sq. ft. lot**

Move-in ready with many updates including kitchen WITH appliances, fresh paint, newer electrical (100 AMP breaker), new water lines at street and more! The home is clean as a whistle and ready to move in!

Listing #20161431 • \$42,500



**2BR • 1.75BA • 2 car garage
679 sq. ft. • 6,500 sq. ft. lot**
Nice, small home. Seller has purchased and remodeled. Excellent condition.
Listing #20164161 • \$62,500



**2 BR • 1 BA • 1 car garage
528 sq. ft. • 5,600 sq. ft. lot**
Super deal on this cream puff home, offering 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, new roof, newer windows, siding and REALLY nice garage!
Listing #20164597 • \$29,900



**4 BR • 1.75 BA
3 car garage • 2,052 sq. ft.
8,700 sq. ft. lot**
Beautiful 4 bedroom home with large rooms, recently redecorated and ready to move into. This home features stainless steel appliances, main floor laundry, eat in kitchen and formal dining room, main floor office or bedroom, open staircase, large living room and big bedrooms. Newer roof, siding and gutters on house. 24' X 36' insulated garage and workshop, plus carport. Large wrap porch great location near Old Settlers Park.
Listing #20163776 • \$129,500



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**3 BR • 1 BA • 1 car garage
1,248 sq. ft. • 0.37 acres**

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Listing #20164234 • \$119,900



2 car garage • 2,527 sq. ft.
UNIQUELY beautiful 9.38 river bluff acreage. This home boasts many updates including complete master suite, heat and A/C, Septic system, deck, roof & gutters, flooring, and the list goes on. This private property includes fenced in barn area for animal lovers, mature fruit trees plus trees have been dropped for a beautiful panoramic river view that will last for years! Owner also plans to leave a John Deere mower and new snow blower!!
Listing #20162733 • \$269,000



**3 BR • 2.50 BA
2 car garage • 1,194 sq. ft.
10,400 sq. ft. lot**

Great family home is move-in ready. Nice-sized kitchen with all appliances, dining area, and nice living room all on the upper level. Completely re-modeled family room with a wood burning fireplace on lower level. Many updates include newer flooring, roof and HVAC system.

Listing #20164531 \$114,900



Land

14.65 acres • 638,514 sq. ft.
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Listing #20162574 • \$249,000



**3BR • 1.75BA • 1 car garage
888 sq. ft. • 9,450 sq. ft. lot**
RARE RANCH with large fenced back yard and attached garage! Updated windows and kitchen, newer HVAC and water heater. Family Room in the basement. Just waiting for your own personal touch!
Listing #20163423 • \$74,900



Land

**50.82 acres
2,213,719 sq. ft.**
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Sealed proposals for Municipal Solid Waste Hauling will be received by the commission of the Great River Regional Waste Authority (hereafter "Authority") located at 2092 303rd Avenue, Fort Madison, Iowa 52627 up to the hour of 2:00 P.M. local time on Thursday, May 18th 2017. All proposals will be opened and read aloud at that time. NO EMAIL TELEGRAPHIC or FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION will be accepted.

Specifications and proposal forms are available from the Authority office at the address listed above or by calling 319-372-6140.

All Proposals will be reviewed, tabulated, and recommendation will be made to the Authority Commission at a duly scheduled and noted Commission meeting on Friday, May 19th 2017.

The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any and all proposals. The Authority also reserves the right to waive any irregularities in a proposal. The successful bidder will be expected to enter into a two-year contract with the Authority within fifteen (15) days of notification or being awarded the successful bidder. Successful bidder may not subcontract their obligation of this contract.

Proposals must be submitted to:
Wade Hamm,
General Manager
2092 303rd Avenue
Fort Madison, Iowa 52627

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids clearly marked "BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF 1301 AVENUE I" will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Fort Madison, Iowa, until 1:00 P.M., on May 10, 2017, for SALE of the following:

BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF 1301 AVENUE I

Specifications, instructions to the bidders and bid forms are on file in the office in the Building Department,

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811 Avenue E, Fort Madison, Iowa. All bids must be on the City bid form and include Exhibit "A". Forms are available at the City Clerk's office.

To view the interior of the structure, contact the Building Department at (319) 372-7700, ext. 212 or 214.

Any bids received after this time will be returned unopened.

All bids properly received will be opened and publicly read aloud in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Bids will be evaluated and, if a suitable bid is received, it

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will be presented to the City Council.

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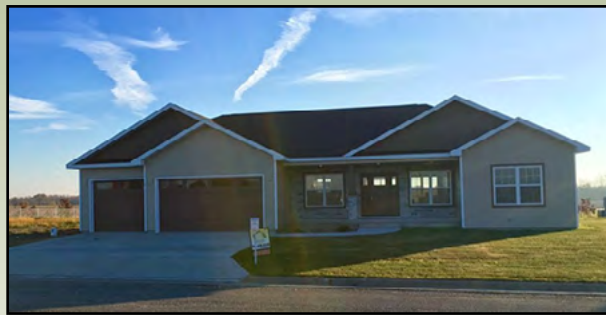
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the 2300 block of Avenue A. 04/15/17 - 1:40 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 3200 block of Crabtree Lane. 04/15/17 - 1:50 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2600 block of Avenue I. 04/15/17 - 3:22 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2600 block of Avenue L. 04/15/17 - 8:37 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Michael Dean Sweet, 20, of Keokuk on a charge of simple domestic abuse assault. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 04/15/17 - 10:55 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2700 block of Avenue I. 04/16/17 - 9:44 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit-and-run in the 400 block of Avenue D. 04/16/17 - 5:09 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to

a report of a burglary in the 1100 block of Avenue D. 04/16/17 - 10:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 700 block of Avenue D. 04/16/17 - 10:52 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Rhonda Moyers, 38, of Fort Madison on warrant for failure to appear. She was taken to Des Moines County Jail and held. 04/17/17 - 3:07 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 300 block of 3rd Street. 04/17/17 - 4:35 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the alley of the 1700 block of Avenue E.

Lee County Sheriff Record

04/13/17 - 12:00 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Romi Mokihana Jensen, 46, of Mt. Pleasant at the Henry County Jail on a warrant for violation of

probation. She was taken to Lee County Jail and held. 04/13/17 - 2:39 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Alex Joseph Derr, 30 of Keokuk, no location given, on court-ordered hold. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 04/14/17 - 2:33 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Megan Jessica McMillan, 35, of Ottumwa, in Ottumwa on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 4/14/17 - 3:07 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident on Hwy 218 north of Donnellson. A vehicle driven by Caleb Zebediah Hathaway, 19, of Kahoka struck the back end of a farm tractor driven by Steven J. Wilson, 62 of Donnellson. Wilson's tractor was hauling a lawn mower on a trailer and the trailer and tractor were overturned causing injuries to both parties. Wilson was air lifted to a regional hospital. Hathaway was transported to Fort Madison Community Hospital. Hathaway was also cited for following too closely. 04/15/17 - 1:58 a.m. - Lee

County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jason Gene Ash, 38, of Burlington in the 3400 block of Avenue L, on charges of OWI and driving under suspension. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 04/15/17 - 8:33 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Tyler Jordon Sturm, 27 of Keokuk, in the 3500 block of Johnson Street Road in Keokuk on a charge of domestic assault. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held until released on 4/16/17 on bond. *It should be noted a criminal charge is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law.*

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Record

04/13 - Fort Madison Fire responded to 6 medical calls, 04/14 - Fort Madison Fire responded to 4 medical calls and two assist calls 04/15 - Fort Madison Fire responded to one burn complaint. 04/16 - Fort Madison Fire responded to 2 medical calls, an NH3 leak at Axalta, one burn complaint, one call for mutual aid for Montrose.

Health department holding informational sessions on new building proposal

PCC STAFF

LEE COUNTY – The public is invited to attend informational sessions about the new building proposed for Lee County Health Department on:

Thursday, April 20, 7:00-8:00pm
Donnellson Community Meeting Room
521 Main St., Donnellson

Monday, April 24, 7:00-8:00pm
Keokuk Public Library, Round Room
210 North 5th St., Keokuk

Tuesday, April 25, 7:00-8:00pm
Lee County Health Department
2218 Avenue H, Fort Madison

The public is invited to come learn about the proposed new building that would be located on county owned property adjacent to the Lee County Sheriff office. The proposed building would be 9,891 square feet on the main level and include a 2500 square foot basement for storage for a total of 12,391 square feet. It would serve as the center for the Health Department to provide essential services to the public.

LCHD provides services throughout the lifespan. Maternal and Child Health and HOPES services start prenatally. Homecare, senior health, and hospice services are provided to all ages, including seniors, up to the end of life. Environmental services include inspections of food establishments, motels/hotels, septic systems, swimming pools, tattoo parlors, and tanning beds; radon test kits; and funds to homeowners for water well plugging. Communicable disease follow up is completed on reportable illnesses. Since LCHD moved into its current location in 1989, it has added additional staff and the following programs and services: Hospice Program; Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program; Senior Health; Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health services; I-SMILE/Oral health care for children and pregnant women; HOPES/MIECHV home visiting services; Child Care Nurse Consultant services; First Five Healthy Mental Development program; I-SMILE SILVER; Wellness Program; and Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response. Find out more information at their website [here](http://www.leehealth.org).



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Lady Hounds win in OT at MP

BY PCC STAFF

MT. PLEASANT - Taylor Shannan scored three goals, including one in OT, to lift the Fort Madison Bloodhounds to a 4-3 win over Mt. Pleasant in girls high school soccer action Monday.

The Hounds had a 3-0 lead going into the second half, but Mt. Pleasant came storming back with two goals in the first 10 minutes of the final period.

Shannan scored twice in the first half and Dezire Kline found the back of the net for the second time this season in the first half to lead Fort Madison. Shannan scored the game winner less than three minutes into the overtime period.

Fort Madison Head Coach Sebastian Siefert said he was short on experience on the road.

"We played without three starters and had to scramble a bit to make adjustments, but the team came together and really stepped up. It was really important to us to be able



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

FM goalie Josie Pumphrey does the splits trying to stop a shot by a Mt. Pleasant striker on Monday night in Mt. Pleasant. The ball, just visible past Pumphrey's left side found the back of the net.

to go to Washington on Friday with a 2-2 record rather than 1-3," Siefert said.

He said goalie Josie Pumphrey tended the net and had a solid game.

"She probably had her best game of the season so far. A handful of great saves and smart plays saved us from conceding more goals to the Panthers," he said. "Our back

three played their part as well. Kaycee McGregor has returned from an injury that had her missing a couple of games and Chayse Lowney played her first varsity game of the season. Both did an excellent job on defense. Amber Dilsaver filled in for McKenna Fehseke as Center Back."

Shannan had six shots on goal and voted player

of the game by the team. Kline had three shots on goal and one assist. Emily Wolf had two shots on goal and one assist, while Sally Johnstun took one shot and helped with one assist.

The Hounds take on Washington on the road Friday with a varsity matchup starting at 4:30 p.m.

Union chief says drug influx unsafe for staff

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of any suspected foreign substances are being handled through the institutional disciplinary process.

In Homan's statement, he indicated the influx is creating safety issues with everyone inside the building.

"The presence of K2 is a safety concern for both inmates and officers. Offenders have been found incoherent in their cells with head injuries from falling, pretending to be swimming on the floor, covered in their own vomit, and registering a near-death blood pressure with a skyrocketing pulse. The effects of the drug have caused inmates to be extremely combative with staff until they come down, at which point they have no recollection of their behavior. The drug itself is difficult to detect, especially for K9s, due to frequently changing strains. This problem (is) significant enough that inmates themselves are expressing concern that someone is going to get seriously hurt."

Y Board wants more time

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just too short for the board to obtain all the information after discussing the idea in greater detail.

"It was just a lot to be transferred from one place to another in a short amount of time. We want to be able to do it right and do it a professional manner," Wilson said.

"We need to take a hard look at numbers and see where things sit from a budget standpoint on our side of things. Getting to look over the processes will allow us to have adequate time and good information to make a decision going into next year."

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