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HTC kicks off new building campaign

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WEST POINT - A \$6 million building campaign was the kickstart of the 2017 Catholic Schools week for the Holy Trinity School systems on Monday.

More than 400 people packed the Holy Trinity Catholic gymnasium in West Point Monday to kick off the campaign with school and local officials speaking to the group after a mass was celebrated.

Dennis Menke, the campaign chairman, along with wife Kate, for the Holy Trinity Catholic Elementary School project, said he was hoping to raise the money in six months, but he knew it was a big ask.

"It's my hope that we can raise this money in six months," he said. "That way we would start construction at the end of the school year. Our archdiocese in Davenport mandates that we have a minimum of 60% of the funds before we can begin work. That means we would need \$3.6 million to start the work."

HTC Chief Adminis-

tration Officer Michael Sheerin said he had to leave immediately after the ceremonies due to his daughter giving birth.

"What a great day to share possibly the birth of our first grandchild and the birth of this wonderful project to send us into generations to come,"

Sheerin said.

Brian Foecke, the HTC Foundation Board president addressed the crowd first.

"I didn't actually look it up, but I'd bet it's been around 50 years since a new catholic school building has been built in Lee County, Iowa. Think

Hi-Ho!

At top, HTC Principal Michael Sheerin tells the kindergarten class to prepare to go to work as the school kicks off the HTC Elementary School Project campaign Monday. Above, it was a full house at the ceremony and at left, Sheerin and Bob Carr lead a parade of children through the crowd.

about that...50 years," Foecke said.

Several dignitaries spoke to the audience including Davenport Diocese Superintendent Lee Morrison; Brad Box, HTC School Board president, and Father Bruce DeRamelaere, about the rich heritage and history of the

Catholic school system in Lee County.

Then Sheerin and principal Bob Carr led a parade of kindergartners singing the Seven Dwarfs mantra, "Hi Ho, Hi Ho, it's off to work I go," donned in yellow construction hats and some carrying shovels.

The project will entail demolishing the current school buildings aside from the gym and re-building it to make the whole campus enclosed for greater efficiency and security and to bring the facilities into the 21st century.

"The project will replace the entire school campus for the elementary students at HTC," said Menke. "We need to replace our school because it's over 100 years old and it doesn't fit the style. They don't teach school and classes the way they did 100 years ago. Students today need an environment they can learn in. There are no such things as blackboards and chalk anymore. It all has to do with I-pads and computers. This current campus can't be retrofitted to work the way we want it to."

"This will get us a new building, a new cafeteria and restrooms that will be connected to the gym. So when we have games and activities in the gym we can have the cafeteria right there and it will be very user friendly."

Menke said after the kickoff event today, efforts

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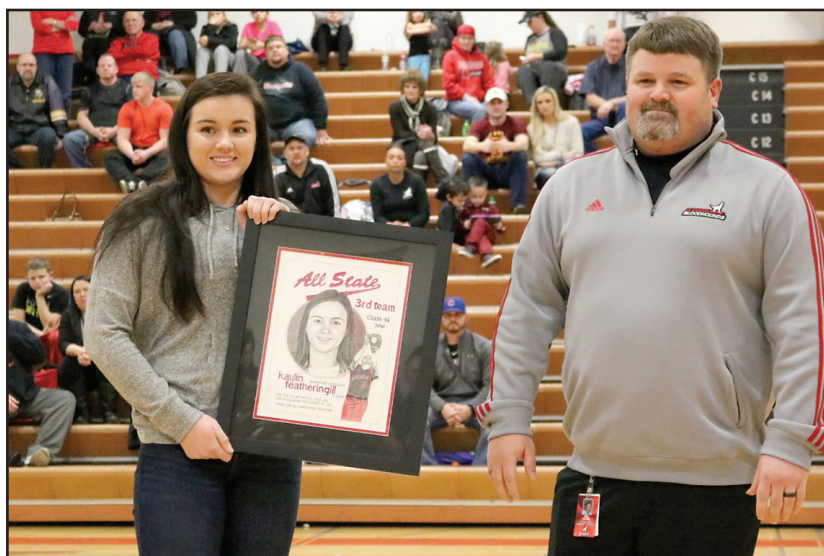
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Gehle makes FMHS Hall

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FMHS junior Caleb Gehle received his FMHS Athletic Hall of Fame plaque and rendering Friday night at the Hound Dome. Gehle placed 4th in the wheelchair shotput and 7th in the 200x200 race at the state meet in 2016.



Featheringill makes Hall

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Kaylin Featheringill also was named to the Fort Madison Athletic Hall of Fame after being named 3rd team All-State in Class 4A softball for the 2016 year.

New facility will bring teaching into tech age

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will get underway to communicate with alumni and community partners to help educate possible donors about the facility.

“Right now we’re kicking this off. But our next thing will be to contact people away from here, the alumni, with folders and letters of explanation and how it’s all going to happen. After that phase is done, I’d say a couple of weeks, then we will set up private parties, 20-25 couples to a party and explain what we need

and how they can help,” Menke said.

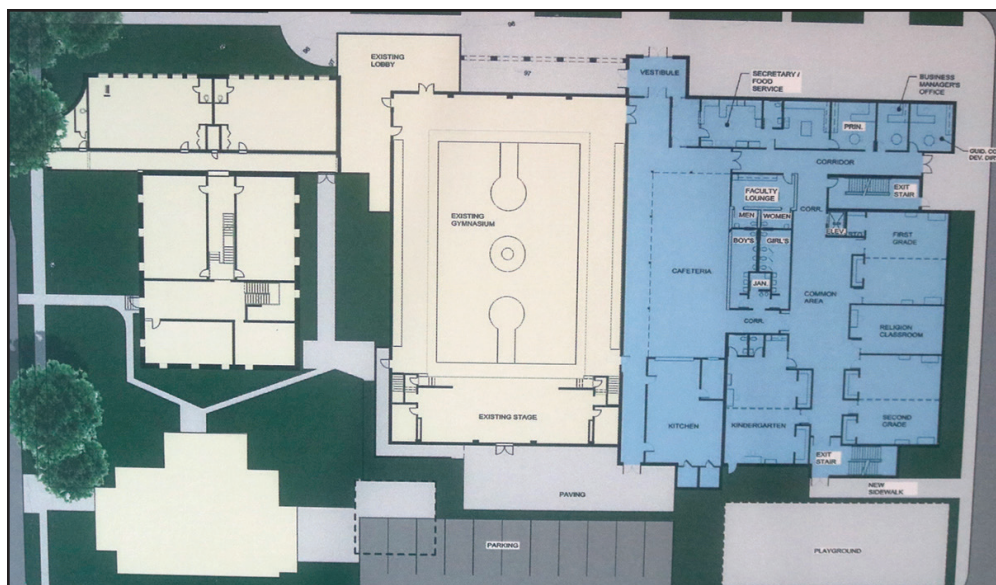
He said a website has also been set up for credit and debit card contributions at HTCcampaign.org.

Sheerin said aside from the obvious physical changes to the building, it’s what happens on the inside the really matters. He said the new building will allow greater collaboration of teachers and students in contemporary learning environments that will allow teachers to

use modern technology to help educate the system’s children.

“We as adults are still freaking about an iPhone and these kids are working it,” Sheerin said. “Our kindergartners and 6th graders can work together. We can do music and art where everyone can mix it up.”

“The exciting thing is that we can take this back to the idea of the one-room school house. It’s come full circle.”



Blue is new

An artists rendering from Klingner and Associates shows (in blue) where the new construction will be at the HTC Elementary School.

JV Hounds get 3 titles at classic

PCC STAFF

FAIRFIELD - Heath Hoenig (252-285 lb), Alex Lauber (180-188 lb) and Quinton Ross (115-119) all won first-place titles at the Southern Iowa Classic JV tournament on Friday in Fairfield.

Reuben Eid (95-105 lb) earned a third-place finish and Courtney Six (106-110) earned a 4th place finish at the classic.

Complete results are below.

JV 92-105 - Reuben Eid's place is 3rd and has scored 8.00 team points.

Round 1 - Gerald Rupe (Davis County) won by fall over Reuben Eid (Fort Madison) (Fall 4:15)
Round 2 - Reuben Eid (Fort Madison) won by major decision over Joel Johnston (Keokuk) (Maj 12-3)
Round 3 - Matt Collett (Washington) won by fall over Reuben Eid (Fort Madison) (Fall 1:43)

JV 106-110 - Courtney Six's place is 4th and has scored 6.00 team points.
Round 1 - Jonah Cooper (Fairfield) won by major decision over Courtney Six (Fort Madison) (Maj 9-1)
Round 2 - Courtney Six (Fort Madison) won by fall over Andrew Roach (Keokuk) (Fall 3:47)
Round 3 - Jack Ball (Davis County) won by fall over Courtney Six (Fort Madison) (Fall 2:22)

JV 115-119 - Quinton Ross's place is 1st and has scored 17.50 team points.
Round 1 - Quinton Ross (Fort Madison) won by fall over Conner Coleman (Mount Pleasant) (Fall 1:00)
Round 2 - Quinton Ross (Fort

Madison) received a bye () (Bye)
Round 3 - Quinton Ross (Fort Madison) won by tech fall over Nick Wegmann (Burlington) (TF 18-2)

JV 180-188 - Alex Lauber's place is 1st and has scored 18.00 team points.
Round 1 - Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) won by decision over Blake Deevers (Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont) (Dec 9-5)
Round 2 - Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) won by fall over Mathew Pullen (Chariton) (Fall 0:10)
Round 3 - Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) won by fall over Cody Shives (Knoxville) (Fall 2:12)

JV 252-282 - Heath Hoenig's place is 1st and has scored 20.00 team points.
Round 1 - Heath Hoenig (Fort Madison) won by fall over Michael Veatch (Davis County) (Fall 1:26)
Round 2 - Heath Hoenig (Fort Madison) won by fall over Nick Wood (Chariton) (Fall 2:13)
Round 3 - Heath Hoenig (Fort Madison) won by injury default over Hank Billings (Keokuk) (Inj. 0:00)

For the Record

Fort Madison Police reports

01/27/17 - 8:04 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2400 block of Avenue A.
01/27/17 - 1:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 900 block of Avenue E.
01/27/17 - 3:16 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 5400 block of Avenue O.
01/28/17 - 2:41 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Ethan Shawn Barr, 21, of Louisiana, in the 700 block of Avenue H on charges of OWI-1st offense. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
01/28/17 - 12:01 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary at 1300 block of 14th Street.
01/28/17 - 3:18 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary on Tammy Lane.
01/28/17 - 5:57 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1300 block of Avenue G.
01/28/17 - 11:05 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1300 block of 23rd Street.
01/28/17 - 3:09 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 3000 block of Avenue J.
01/28/17 - 3:24 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 600 block of Crescent Lane.
01/28/17 - 4:39 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1700 block of 39th Street.

01/28/17 - 5:11 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2800 block of Avenue O.
01/29/17 - 1:03 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested John Robert Becker II, 34, of 2300 block of Avenue I, in the 3200 block of Avenue I on warrant service for contempt of court. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
01/29/17 - 8:13 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 300 block of 22nd Street.
01/29/17 - 10:14 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1100 block of Avenue F.

Lee County Sheriff's Department report

01/25/17 - 2:20 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwy 218 and 110th Street. A vehicle driven by Julia Wiesner, 42, of Madison, Mo., stopped in the midst of a right-hand turn onto 110th Street due to a county maintenance grader working on 110th Street. Wiesner stopped in the turn not thinking she could complete the turn with the maintenance equipment there. A vehicle driven by David M. Burch, 40, of Piedmont, Mo., side-wiped the Wiesner's vehicle as he couldn't move to the left due to traffic. No citations or injuries were reported at the scene.
01/26/17 - 10:06 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwys.

218 and 61. A vehicle driven by Kim R. Irvin, 59, of Montrose was struck in the rear by a vehicle driven by Sarah Michal Roe, 22, of Mt. Pleasant. No injuries or citations were issued at the scene.

01/26/17 - 11:31 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident in the 2800 block of Hwy. 61. A vehicle driven by Cynthia Kathleen Allen, 61, of Montrose collided with a vehicle driven by Michael Leon Godma, 64 of La Grange, Mo. According to reports, Allen failed to obey a stop sign at the crossroad connecting north and southbound lanes of Hwy 61. Heavy damage was reported to both vehicles. No injuries or citations were listed on the report.

01/26/17 - 11:45 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Barry Dirk Smith, 24, of Ottumwa at the Wapello County Jail on a warrant for failure to appear/contempt of court. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.
01/26/2017 - 3:21 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested LeShawn Eugene Stanbridge, 31 of Quincy, in the 2200 block of Locust St., in Quincy on warrants for possession of weapons by a felon and theft in the 4th degree. He was taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.

Fort Madison Fire Department report

01/29/17 Fort Madison Fire responded to smoke call.
01/29/17 - Fort Madison Fire responded to one medical call.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Lee County, Iowa Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 31, 2017

Convening Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location:

Correctional Center, 2530 255th Street, Montrose, IA 52639

AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance
Approve Agenda
Approve Tuesday, January 24, 2017 Board Minutes
Consider Approval of Claims
Public Input
Discussion of County Buildings-John Hansen
Consider Board of Su-

pervisors Salary for FY 18
Consider Approval of Resolution Setting Elected Officials Salaries for FY 18

FY 18 County Budget Workshop
Adjourn

PUBLIC MEETING -CITIZENS WELCOME

Vision and hearing assistance available upon request

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319-372-3705

County Website: www.leecounty.org

PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Fort Madison will hold a public hearing

at 7:00 PM on February 7, 2017 concerning a possible amendment to Title 10 - Zoning, Chapter 19-3(A) - Additional Parking Regulations.

You may appear at the hearing to express your views concerning the above. Written statements may be submitted to the Fort Madison City Clerk, P.O. Box 240, 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison, Iowa, 52627 no later than 4:30 PM on February 7, 2017 or delivered before the hearing is closed.

PUBLIC MEETING

The Fort Madison Parks, Recreation & Docks Board will meet on Wednesday, February 1 at 5:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

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