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Wellmark decision won't impact Lee County

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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FORT MADISON - A local health insurance broker says Iowa may be down to one insurance provider for marketplace insurance programs next year.



PIEPER

Justin Pieper, co-founder of Group Benefits Partners and an insurance industry consultant, said Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield is pulling out of the marketplace plans effective Jan. 1 2018. Pieper said it was important to note that



any plans purchased prior to Affordable Care Act mandates that were put in place in 2014 will still be honored by Wellmark as well as any large and small employer plans and senior Medicare Supplement plans. Group Benefits Partners had only sold about 15 Wellmark policies because Wellmark didn't offer policies in Lee County, but

many more will be affected across the state when enrollment periods start in November. "We haven't sold many of these policies that are going to be affected...only about 15. Most of our individual clients purchased through the Marketplace, and since Wellmark was not participating in the Marketplace in Lee County, we won't be as affected as many other counties across the state," Pieper said. Other insurance companies, such as Aetna's Coventry have also backed off on policies available in Lee County. Pieper said he hopes that isn't a continuing trend.

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FM police may have break in rash of burglaries

PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - Fort Madison Police arrested two men yesterday in the 800 block of Avenue E on several charges which may be connected to the rash of burglaries that has been plaguing Fort Madison in the past 8 weeks.



SITTIG

Arrested were Takota Levi Henderson, 18, of Fort Madison, who was arrested on 3 counts of 3rd degree burglary, 2 counts of 5th degree theft, 1 charge of possession of stolen property, 1 charge of possession of drug paraphernalia, and 1 charge of possession of offensive weapons; and Kistofer Charles Johnson, 18, of Fort Madison, who was arrested on 3 counts of 3rd degree burglary, 2 counts of 5th degree theft, and 1 count of possession of stolen property.

Both men were taken to the Lee County Correctional Center and jailed.

Police Chief Tim Sittig told the city council at Tuesday's regular meeting that a search warrant had been executed in connection with the burglaries that had been taking place.



Go around

Spring has brought out the road construction crews in Fort Madison. Here work begins on Avenue E from 18th to 20th Streets, while 15th Street up Rodeo Hill is also blocked off for resurfacing.

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Cryotech celebrating 25th year with charity events

SUBMITTED ARTICLE

FORT MADISON - Bunny suits, monkey beards, and quarter wars, oh my! What do all of these things have in common? They are a few of the fun and creative things Cryotech Deicing Technology employees have recently done to raise money for charity.

In 2017, Cryotech celebrates 25 years in business! To celebrate this milestone, and properly recognize the keys to its success, Cryotech is implementing a Quarters of Giving campaign. Each quarter is focused on a different theme - Community, Monetary, Environment, and People. January through March of 2017 was the "Monetary Quarter."

Cryotech employees were divided into four teams and tasked with raising money for the charity of the team's choice. The fundraising

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Photo courtesy of Cryotech

Hoops for charity

Shawn Kemper and Chris Conover battle it out in a shoot off held on March 20, Cryotech's 25th birthday. Employees were treated to a catered lunch and festivities to help celebrate the 25th milestone.

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Sports

FMHS girls strike win over Canton

Siefert says this year's squad is best he's seen in the school's four years

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison girls soccer team kept the ball on their half of the field for the majority of the game and came away with their first win of the season Thursday in high school action, 3-1 over visiting Canton, Mo.

Senior Emily Wolf got the Lady Hounds their first goal of the season on a drive up the middle with one defender on her hip. She squirted the ball past the Lady Tigers' goalie's left side and into the net with about 9:30 left in the first half.

Fort Madison outshot the Lady Tigers 11-0 in the first half capped by a

dramatic score with 15 seconds left in the half by junior Taylor Shannan. The Hounds were able to break up a run by Canton's girls at midfield and managed to move the ball up to Shannan who was around the opposition net for a good part of the evening. The ball popped up in the air and Shannan bounced it forward with her upper body and managed to get loose of her defender and slap it past the goalie in the middle of the net for a 2-0 lead at the half.

Kalifa McCaleb scored the other goal in the second half for the Hounds.

Head Coach Sebastian Siefert said the win puts the Lady Hounds in a better frame of mind after a 9-0 drubbing at the hands



of Burlington earlier this week.

"This was an important win for us because now we host Keokuk with a 1-1 record rather than being down 0-2," he said. "We still have a lot of work to do, but the girls know this and come to practice ready to learn. I have told the girls this early on but this is by far the best team we've had. They are working really well together, getting along well, and are very supportive of one another. Without this kind of harmony as the foundation it is hard to win soccer



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Eye on the prize

Above left, Dezire Kline takes a shot at the goal in the first half, while above, Taylor Shannan closes in on the ball and goal with just 15 seconds left in the half. Shannan put the ball inside the right side of the goal to put FMHS up 2-0.

games."

Siefert credited the back field trio for keeping the ball in the Hounds control for most of the game.

"Kate Young, McKenna Fehseke, and Amber Dil-saver played as our back

three and worked well together. Fehseke, Emily Wolf, and goalie Josie Pumphrey were the only three players not subbed out all game. Each played a great game today," he said.

Senior Emily Wolf, whose in her fourth year in the program was voted player of the game by the team. The Hounds host Keokuk on Monday at 5 p.m at the Baxter Sports Complex.

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Local News/From the Front

Four juveniles arrested in vehicle thefts

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On Tuesday, March 21, the Fort Madison Police received a call of a stolen pickup truck, and a passenger vehicle was reported stolen to the Lee County Sheriff's Office. Believing there was a connection between the two reports, the Fort Madison Police Department and Lee County Sheriff's Office conducted a joint investigation into the stolen vehicles.

The pickup truck was recovered in Fort Madison near the 2200 block of Avenue L. The car was recovered just outside Fort Madison near the PAW animal shelter on Ortho Road and had been wrecked. A witness

reported seeing a number of juveniles running away from the car that was wrecked.

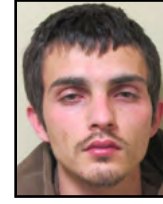
As a result of the investigation, one female juvenile has been detained along with three male juveniles. Five counts of operating without owner's consent, numerous traffic citations, including two counts of failure to have a valid driver's license, three counts of allowing an authorized person to operate a motor vehicle, failure to maintain control, leaving the scene of a property damage accident and additional charges may be pending.

Two of juveniles have been held at the Southeast Iowa Juvenile Detention facility.

Task force makes felony drug bust

The Lee County Narcotics Task Force reports the arrest of a Keokuk, Iowa man on felony and misdemeanor drug charges.

Zachary Charles Michael Bennett, 22, of 705 South 3rd Street, Keokuk, Iowa was arrested on April 6th, 2017 at 950 Johnson Street Road on felony and misdemeanor drug charges. Bennett is charged with Possession Of Methamphetamine Less Than Five Grams With The Intent To Deliver, a class C felony, Possession Of Marijuana With Intent To Deliver, a class D felony, three counts of Possession Of A Controlled Substance (Hydrocodone, Methamphetamine, and Marijuana), a serious misdemeanor, and Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia, a simple misdemeanor. If convicted, Bennett faces up to 18 years and 30 days in a state correctional facility.



BENNETT

The arrest of Bennett stems from an investigation by the Keokuk Police Department into a report of suspicious people in the parking lot of the Westport Terrace apartments, 950 Johnson Street Road in Keokuk. Upon arrival, Keokuk Police officers discovered Bennett and learned that he was in possession of illegal drugs and associated items. The Lee County Narcotics Task Force was called to assist the investigation.

The Lee County Attorney's Office and the Keokuk 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.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Carnations are coming

The Fort Madison Kiwanis group will be delivering carnations to pre-orders this morning. Carnations will also be sold at Hy-Vee starting at 9 a.m. Above, George Shields cuts flowers.

Next quarter focuses on Environment stewardship

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events that followed were creative to say the least and a blast for participating employees!

The Monetary Quarter kicked off with a Quarter War, similar to a traditional Penny War, but playing on the number 25 and using quarters instead. The four teams battled it out raising over \$400! Following the Quarter War, the different teams held individual events including: pancake breakfasts, a trivia night, an ice cream social, bake sales, silent auctions, a taco lunch, a chili cook-off, donut Fridays, tricycle races, wearing a bunny suit for a day, and most recently a "choose his beard style" fundraiser.

"Having fun has been a critical part of our business," said Craig Starwalt, President and CEO of Cryotech. "The creativity and initiative Cryotech employees have embraced during our Quarters of Giving campaign is not surprising, and a big reason we have accomplished 25 years in business. It takes being able to think outside the box, roll with the unexpected, and teamwork to get the job done."

To date, Cryotech employees have served more than 50 hours volunteering in community events and raised over \$9,000 to be donated to local charities, including the United Way of the Great River Region.

April 2017 marks the beginning of Cryotech's "Environmental Quarter." Cryotech and its employees will focus on the environment by participating in a number of activities, including river bank clean up and tree planting.

The year-long celebration will come to an end in July 2017, with an on-site event for employees, business partners, and the community. Celebration details will be released in the coming months.

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You won't hear a **PEEP** out of us this Easter



Pen City Current will not publish its digital e-Edition on Easter Sunday, April 16 & Monday, April 17 in order to enjoy the holiday with our families.

However, any breaking news will continue to be posted to our website at pencitycurrent.com.

We wish you & yours a wonderful Easter.

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Local News/Classifieds

Wellmark CEO says company lost \$90 million with ObamaCare

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“We certainly hope not, but when the competition is as limited as it is here, and this marks the second year in a row of an insurance carrier exiting, it would be hard to argue that we’re not already on the wrong side of a trend,” Pieper said.

With Wellmark’s announcement last week, Pieper said Medica will be the only option for individuals under the age of 65 to purchase health insurance coverage in Lee County in 2018.

“Medica has a long history of stability in the markets where they exist (mainly Minnesota), so we have hope that they’ve been conservative in their approach, and

will be able to continue to offer plans to Iowans,” he said. “Critics of the ACA will be quick to point out the fact that Wellmark certainly had a long history of stability prior to the market reforms enacted by the ACA.”

All Wellmark plans will remain in effect until January 1, 2018. When open enrollment approaches in November, Pieper said Group Benefit Partners be able to help residents choose a plan from whichever carriers remain in the market at that time.

In a release issued Monday, Wellmark Chairman and CEO John Forsyth said over the past three years, Wellmark members with individual health plans in Iowa, governed by the ACA, have endured double-digit premium increases, all the while Wellmark has lost ap-

proximately \$90 million in the individual ACA market during the same timeframe.

The release said the move will effect 21,400 Iowans who currently have Wellmark ACA compliant plans.

“Finding solutions to stabilize this market is in the best interest of all Iowans, including providers of health care and insurance carriers,” Forsyth said. “No one really benefits from rising costs. While there are many potential solutions, the timing and relative impact of those solutions is currently unclear. This makes it difficult to establish plans for 2018.”

Pieper can be reached at Group Benefit Partners at 914 Avenue G in Fort Madison, 319-372-0088 or on their [website](#).

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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.
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Listing #20163339 • \$164,900



**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



**2BR • 1.25BA
1,119 sq. ft. • 0.17 acres**
Brick rancher on Ave E close to Old Settlers Park, has full basement mostly finished, picket fence, newer windows, roof, etc.
Listing #20162502 • \$88,900



**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!!!
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**2BR • 1.50BA • 2 car garage
1,366 sq. ft. • 3,300 sq. ft. lot**
Immaculate, well-kept ranch has family room with fireplace on the main floor, finished Rec Room, 2nd laundry room, 1/2 bath, and storage room with shelving all in the basement. All windows are vinyl replacement.

Listing #20162507 • \$109,900



PENDING

**2BR • 1BA • 2 car garage
868 sq. ft. • 7,000 sq. ft. lot**
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**3BR • 1BA • 1 car garage
928 sq. ft. • 1,087 sq. ft. lot**
Very nice maintenance-free 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



SOLD

**2BR • 1BA • 2 car garage
1,330 sq. ft.
7,250 sq. ft. lot**

REDUCED BY \$13,100! Affordable with lots of potential!!! Nice size kitchen with breakfast bar plus dining area, spacious living room w/fireplace. Sits on a corner lot.

Listing #20160368 • \$59,900



REDUCED

**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



REDUCED

**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



**3BR • 3.50BA • 3 car garage
3,723 sq. ft.**

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Listing #20160805 • \$460,000



**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



NEW

**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.

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Listing #20161863 • \$299,000



SOLD

**3BR • 2.50 BA
2 car garage • 2,400 sq. ft.
10,150 sq. ft. lot**

Lovely tri-level home on a quiet cul de sac offering numerous upgrades. There are 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths, a large living room, dining room and open kitchen with newer stainless steel appliances and a breakfast bar. Newer windows, HVAC, new floor coverings on main and lower level and freshly painted throughout. The large backyard is completely fenced and has a 24 x 16 patterned concrete patio. Don't miss out on this wonderful family home.

Listing #20163404 • \$167,500



**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



REDUCED

**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



SOLD

**Multi-family Duplex
2,672 sq. ft.
7,250 sq. ft. lot**

Income property. Potential for \$875/month income or more. Side-by-side duplex with 2 - 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. West side has a long term renter and east side is vacant.

Listing #20162154 • \$49,500



NEW

**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



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

Well-kept ranch on a beautiful, large corner lot in West Point, IA. New wooden privacy fence surrounding the entire back yard. There is also an attached garage and storage shed. A large wooden deck leads to the front door where you can sit and enjoy those beautiful Iowa summer sunsets! PLUS a covered deck in the back for those rainy days. This house is a rare find.

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



PENDING

**4BR • 2.50BA • 1 car garage
2,056 sq. ft.**

39,640 sq. ft. lot

Beautiful 2 story home located just off Highway 61 north of Fort Madison. Formal living and dining room, nice kitchen with breakfast room all open to a main floor family room, relaxing, private screened porch that opens onto the large deck that spans the back of the home. Basement boasts recently finished family room and tons of storage.

Listing #20164530 • \$175,000



Land

**50.82 acres
2,213,719 sq. ft.**

Ideal 50 acre m/l parcel to develop. Close to new 4-8 Middle School and Baxter Rec Plex. TREMENDOUS DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY.

Listing #20162779 • \$559,020



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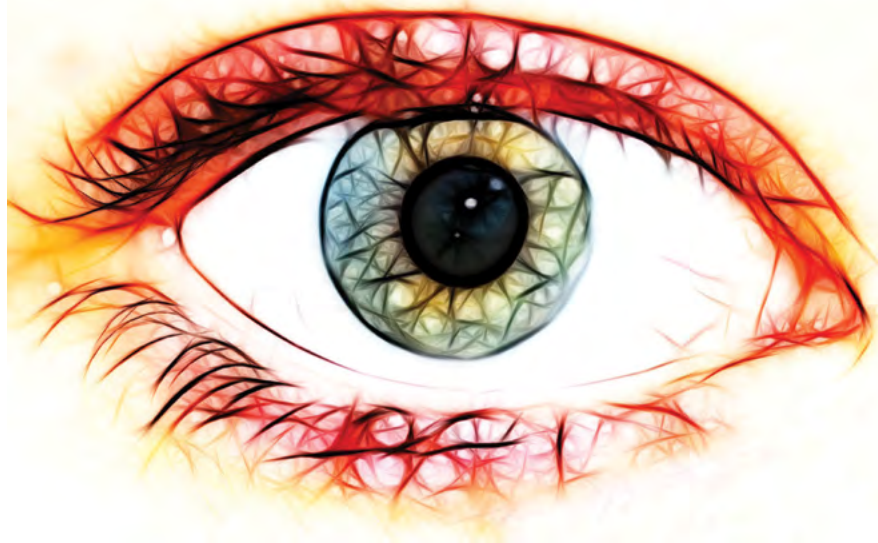
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FMHS boys 2nd at Keokuk Relays

BY PCC STAFF
KEOKUK - The Fort Madison boys track team recorded its highest finish of the year, taking 2nd place at the windy Keokuk Relays Thursday night.

Aaron Steffensmeier pulled his first first-place finish Monday in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:16.86.

Elijah Barnes threw a personal best for the third straight week heaving the shot 45-10 good enough for second place. Caleb Gehle took first in the wheel chair shot with a throw of 16-03.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Jared Kester, Quentin Schneider, Aaron Steffensmeier and Schw

Hounds with a time of 4:01.23.

The 4x200-meter relay team of Kester, Dayne Cordray, Joseph Grabowski, and Matthew Meierotto also took a second place for the Hounds with a time of 1:51.16.

Schweiss took second place in the 400-meter hurdles at 1:10.99.

"It was an extremely windy evening, but the guys raced well," said Head Coach Erin Benner. "Barnes threw another PR. He is doing better and better each week."

Complete results are as follows:
Long Jump: Redd-Donald 19-05 (3rd), Rashid 16-09.5 (6th)
Shot put: Barnes 45-10 (2nd), Eid 30-00, Gehle (WC) 16-03 (1st)
Discus: Hoenig 94-09
800 medley relay: Gully, Rashid, Redd-Donald, Schneider 1:47.06 (4th)

3200 run: Hellige 11:01.18 (2nd), Cordray 11:33.71 (3rd)
4x800-meter relay Steffensmeier, Kester, Grabowski, Meierotto 9:41.76 (3rd)
100-meter run - Gully 11.89 (4th), Redd-Donald 11.94 (5th), JV-Young 13.48 (2nd) WC - Gehle 36.37 (1st)
1600-Medley Relay - Rashid, Cordray, Grabowski, Hellige 4:26.32 (4th)
400-meter run - Schneider 57.19 (4th), Schweiss 63.43, JV-Young 1:06.92 (4th)
4x200-meter relay - Kester, Grabowski, Cordray, Meierotto 1:51.16 (2nd)
800-meter run - Steffensmeier 2:16.86 (1st) JV - Young 3:02.50 (2nd)
200-meter run - Redd 25.46, Gully 24.55 (3rd) WC - Gehle 1:21.59 (1st)
400-meter hurdles - Schweiss 1:10.99 (2nd)
1600-meter run - Hellige 5:05.95 (3rd), Steffensmeier 5:30.12 (5th)
4x100-meter relay Gully, Rashid, Cordray, Meierotto 50.90 (4th)
4x400-meter relay - Schneider, Kester, Steffensmeier, Schweiss 4:01.23 (2nd)
Team Results
Rushville-Industry 151.00
Fort Madison 105.00
Warsaw 84.00
Central Lee 74.00
Clark County 65.00
Keokuk 57.00
Illini West 4.00

Girls take 4th at Washington

BY PCC STAFF
WASHINGTON - Sierra Howardson set a new meet record in the 3000-meter run, taking the honor from Fort Madison's own Sarah Steffensmeier, with a time of 10:58.12 to take first place and lead the Lady Hounds at the Demon Relays Thursday night.

Brynn Schroeder, Claire Mendez, Kamryn Bailey and Howardson also teamed up to take the title in the Distance Medley with a time of 4:43.44. Brett Schneider continues to dominate in the 800-meter run with another first-place finish in a time of 2:22.37. Howardson was third in that event at 2:31.06.

Bailey, Lexi Miller, Maddy McVey and Mendez captured a second in the 4x800-meter relay at 11:07.01.

Complete results are as follows:
800-meter run - Brittney Sanford, Nadine Scheafer,

Paige Munson and Alaina Gilpin 2:17.94 (10th)
3000 meter run - Sierra Howardson 10:58.12 (1st), Claire Hellman 13:59.84 (13th)
4x800-meter relay - Kamryn Bailey, Lexi Miller, Maddy McVey and Claire Mendez 11:07.01 (2nd)
100-meter dash - Brittney Harris 15.11 (14th), Brittney Sanford 15.74 (17th)
Distance Medley - Brynn Schroeder, Mendez, Bailey and Howardson 4:43.44 (1st)
400-meter dash - Lexi Miller 1:17.56 (9th); Daylyn Wondra 1:20.83 (11th)
4x200-meter relay - Bailey, Schroeder, McVey and Mendez 2:05.08 (7th)
100-meter hurdles - E. Miller 20.49 (12th)
800-meter run - Brett Schneider 2:22.37 (1st); Howardson 2:31.06 (3rd)
200-meter dash - McVey 30.44 (6th); Schroeder 31.53 (11th)
400-meter hurdles - E. Miller 1:22.05 (6th)
1500-meter run - Schneider 5:19.28 (4th); Hellman 6:27.88 (9th)
4x100-meter relay - Bailey, E. Miller, McVey and Harris 58.55 (8th)
4x400-meter relay - Schroeder, Mendez, Howardson and Schneider 4:38.71 (5th)
Discus - Harris 77-10 (9th); Wondra 57-04 (19th)
Long Jump - Baxter 12-00.5 (13th); Munson 11-08.00 (15th)
Shot put - Harris 33-01.75 (3rd); Elizabeth Fincher 24-06.5 (15th)

Fort Madison takes WBND down in windy matchup

Hounds win 4 of 6 singles matches, 2 of 3 doubles

BY PCC STAFF
FORT MADISON - High winds made for interesting tennis on Thursday as Fort Madison downed visiting West Burlington Notre Dame 6-3.

Both squads had trouble battling strong winds out of the north, but once adjustments were made, the Hounds started putting Ws on the board.

Fort Madison got wins from No. 2 through No. 5 highlighted by a 8-0 win by No. 4 sophomore Larissa Ferrill over McKenzie Fry. Kearstyn Johnson got her second win a row with an 8-5 win over Claire

Hackenmiller. Hope Gray won 8-5 at No. 3 over Delaney Williams and Mercedes Doty won 8-4 over Kendell Rheinschmidt. Junior No. 1 player Katie Larson lost 4-8 at and Charissa Smith lost to Riley Brueck 2-8 to round out the singles action.

Larson and Gray won 8-6 in doubles action rebounding from a loss last week to Mt. Pleasant. Johnson and Ferrill also won 8-6 in doubles. While Doty and Smith fell 2-8 in their doubles contest.

"A much better showing tonight," head coach Amy Doherty said. "Ferrill breezed through her

match very quickly, and once they got playing through the wind figured out, Johnson, Gray and Doty came out on top. The doubles teams looked significantly better tonight, with great shots at the net and much better teamwork."

In junior varsity action, Lilly Scott and Lanie Kuntz won 4-0 in a doubles matchup. Alyse Schmidt and Marlee Klesner won 4-1. Zoe Ramatowski and CJ Lozano lost 0-4 and freshman Jamie Folks and Paige Auge lost 2-4 in the first-to-four contests.

The girls travel to Keokuk on Monday for 4:30 start.