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School district's 2017 efforts focused on defining FMHS graduate

2017 Recaps

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Personal growth, defining district graduates, and internal alignment were the main focuses of the Fort Madison School District in 2017.

Fort Madison Superintendent and school board president Tim Wondra agreed that the past year has been filled with many moving targets, but the process of dealing with those has been one of collaboration and standard alignment.

With state and federal assessments for teaching standards in transition, not to mention the uncertainty of funding in the district, school officials have stayed focused on keeping teachers aligned at all grade levels to one objective.

"There's been a huge shift over the past 18 months. This is now about understanding what we need kids to know and be able to do. And then how are are we going to know when they've got it," Slater said.

Almost immediately out of the gate, when Slater was hired in early 2016, there's been a push to specifical-

ly identify what a Fort Madison High School graduate will look like when they leave the district.



And the programming through bi-weekly Wednesday early outs, advisory committees, the school board professional development, and other programming

SLATER is helping to define that graduate spec. And successes are starting to be seen at all four district buildings.

Lincoln and Richardson

Slater said STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and now STEAM, adding the arts, has been a main focus of teaching efforts.



"At the elementary levels. we're moving into more STEM-related activities. They've incorporated art now so it's called STEAM," she said. "The elementary has been trying to take advantage of STEM and STEAM projects and make the kids more real-world thinkers."

She said the elementary programming with the two efforts also cultivates soft skills like teamwork and problem solving. PTOs donated pumpkins for STEAM projects and donations were made to purchase STEM materials for several classrooms. Slater said the projects focus on higher level applications, not just the math involved, but real world applications.

Some of the accomplishments at the elementary level this year included a Walk-A-Thon which helped create funds for the schools and engaged the community. Slater said she's also been carefully monitoring safety at the schools including drop off and pick up issues.



"Safety and security obviously are a very big deal for us," she said. "I've been monitoring drop off and pick up that is very challenging on these small arterials with bikers, pedestrians, and vehicle traffic. Richardson has done some things to help address those issues, but Avenue E has been very challenging and we've

WONDRA

implemented some new procedures that parents have been positive to."

Wondra said this culture of gadgetry is clearly leading to more distracted driving.

"It is one of the issues we've been hitting with the idea of the new building as that would make that a lot better," Slater said.

Slater pointed to the district Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) program and said that system has been implemented through both elementaries.

"We start that at the kindergarten level at both buildings," she said. "It's a process of identifying and showing the students the right way to behave in an uninstructed area. The positive is rewarding students with showing the right behavior and incentivizing that so that eventually the incentive doesn't need to be there. That's doing a nice job of setting those students up for the Middle school and the PACK program. It's a nice longevity that we're seeing."

Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

About 18 vendors participated in the annual Fort Madison Bridal Show at the Comfort Inn and Suites on an icy Sunday afternoon. Those in attendance were able to get vital information on planning a wedding from attire, to music, food, furnishings, photos, and more. She said the Bridges out of Poverty program currently being assembled in Lee County in conjunction with Building Bridges - A Southeast Iowa Initiative will provide additional vision on programming to kids dealing with issues at home and then transitioning to school each day.

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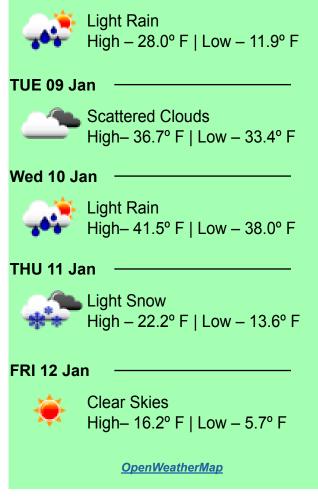
BY PCC STAFF - Lee County Crime Stoppers will be holding a chili fundraiser at both the Fort Madison and Keokuk Hy-Vee locations on Jan. 18 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Proceeds will be used for expenses and criminal payouts.



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P.A.C.K program still in early stages in 2017

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"There are more students than we know that are living in poverty. They are coming to school with all sorts of issues that they are dealing with in their home life, or lack thereof, and we expect them to be learning," Slater said. "So we need to understand where our students are coming from and help them in those transitions. I'm excited that we are involved with that as we see what that means for Lee County.

Middle School

The PACK Program is one of the top achievements at

"The kids are learning the STEM stuff without it being

'this is science class," Wondra said. "They are learning

He said five to seven years ago, outside play time was

just a free-for-all on the playground, which kids need-

ed as a release, but now the school has capitalized on

that and turned it into the two-hour cycle each day that

"Here they're getting play time but it is structured

and playing. You get all that brain work and you need a

break and it does give the kids a chance to exhale, but

Slater said there is still a STEM focus outside of the

"Fourth grade has done a couple things where they

wouldn't know how to answer. But this is a higher level

could withstand natural disasters, fires, floods and hav-

ing contests to see immediate results of an attempt to do

She said eighth grade projects including working on

manufacturing concepts in IT classes and a 7th and 8th

"The advanced pursuit team traveled to Iowa City

in October as part of a LEGO project in water cycles.

These are opportunities for students that aren't available

grade robotics team went to Iowa City recently.

build airplanes of paper and straw. But if you said to

a fourth grader what do you think of physics, they

thinking. Now they're studying creating homes that

so they are learning something, not just running out

without knowing they are are learning. It's fun."

the Fort Madison Middle School in 2017.

integrates learning and teamwork.

they're still absorbing."

PACK program.

something."

real world."

to the younger students to see what's going on in the

FMHS

Slater said there is a strong push to provide leadership opportunities and community involvement at the high school.

"We really want to provide students with leadership opportunities beyond the classroom and trying to make sure our students are becoming better leaders. When the board did professional development, we developed goals where the leading question was 'what do you want an FMHS graduate to look like," Slater said.

The board approved several student trips in 2017 including DECA, the business-based student club, and FFA leadership conferences.

A volunteer hour requirement has continued to grow with the requirement increasing for this year's freshman to 20 hours over 10 hours the past several years.

"When we first implemented 10 hours of mandatory volunteer hours the students had trouble getting them in," Wondra said. "This year it has changed to every time I go to an event there are high school students being a part of that and doing well with that. It's nice to see that change. I think the school has done a nice job making it easier for outside organizations to say we need help."

"It will be interesting to see this year's numbers," Slater said. "We had a lot of seniors who thought, 'you know they aren't going to make us do it', but (high school principal) Greg Smith and I stuck to our guns and said, "you WILL get these hours in' and everyone got them in. So this year will be interesting."

She said the service hours are supposed to be outside the school walls and outside the particular activity.

"Key Club singing Christmas Carols - that's part of the club activity. This is beyond even that, it's unstructured work that you have to go out and get."

One of the neatest things Wondra said is happening at the high school is Bloodhound TV. What just

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From the Front/Lottery Numbers

FMHS seeing success on multiple fronts

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four months ago was an idea has now become an elective class at the high school, where students put together a news broadcast that is uploaded via You-Tube for anyone to watch. Students in the journalism class are now putting together a weekly news page that runs in the Fort Madison Daily Democrat on a five-week cycle with other districts and Southeastern Community College.

Other students in the trades program and in the culinary classes have brought home first place finishes at statewide competitions. The trade classes are also building the current Habitat for Humanity Home. Art students brought home many top awards at the Fort Madison Area Artists Association's Time to Shine exhibit. Fort Madison vocal and instrumental students have won many awards this year including first place at Quincy Octoberfest, the Ottumwa Parade and Drum line competition, and Davis County Field competition among others awards.

The high school also reinvigorated a drama club that put on a theatrical presentation in the fall in the school's theater.

Along curriculum lines, the high school has added AP classes in Geography, English, History, and entrepreneurship with dual credit courses with the University of Iowa. But Slater was quick to point out that the district's priority was the goal of higher level thinking and not necessarily to help offset some of the ever-increasing costs of college.

"The goal is for kids to get higher level thinking," she said. "It's a bonus if they get the four or whatever credits and can save some money, but our job is to get them to that point when they cross the stage where they have that higher level deeper thinking."

District officials are still waiting on state and federal education officials to settle on an assessment that reflects current teaching standards and initiatives.

Slater said it's difficult now to gauge success with data alone because the country and state are in flux as to what assessment tool best reflects current teaching. So she said the district is focusing on internal alignments that have teachers coming together on Early Out Wednesdays in teaching groups to analyze and evaluate what is working best in the schools.

"There are so many standards from the state and federal government that it's difficult to prioritize," she said. "With Early Out Wednesdays teachers can get into content or grade level groups to make sure we are teaching similar things regardless of the teacher you have. Then we come together to look at assessments," she said.

"This didn't start this year, this has been going on for 18 months or so. If we're not aligned and we're teaching the same class, it's just education lottery. Who gets you, who gets me, We need to be teaching to the same standards and assessing them the same way so when we come together and look at those and one teacher has five students who got the learning and another class where most of the class didn't get the learning, we can look at we what we need to better. We can teach different ways but we have to reach

that same standard."

"Before you'd have three different teachers grading the same essay, you get three different results, but now they're working all together so we get a closer assessment or grading and that will be more helpful to the students as well," Wondra said.

The district's new P3 Campus software, which allows students anonymity and privacy in reporting threatening or disrupting activities, has proven successful in 2017. Although it is unknown how many reports have been received, the district's threat assessment team did direct a school lockdown prior to the winter break as a result of several reports on the same issue.

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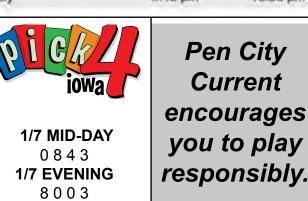
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Sports

Fort Madison grapplers take one of four duals at North Scott

BY PCC STAFF

ELDRIDGE - The Fort Madison wrestling team took one of four dual meets on Saturday at the North Scott High School duals.

The Hounds downed Davenport West 54-15 highlighted by pins from Aaron Steffensmeier at 145 lbs, Harlan Steffensmeier at 152 lbs, Sam Hayes at 195 lbs, Dayne Cordray at 120 lbs, and Dalton Mabeus at 285 lbs. Fort Madison also garnered points from five forfeits.

The Hounds lost a close match against Central Dewitt 45-32. Aaron and Harlan Steffensmeier started the dual with back-to-back pins with Harlan's in just :18. Then losses by Keaton Poe at 160 lbs, Chance Hocker at 170, and Martin Vineyard at 182 lbs, all by pin, put the Hounds in a deficit. Sam Haves then fell in a 3-2 decision. Hayes was also assessed a 1-point

penalty in the match. Danen Settles at 220 lbs and Cordray both got pins to even the match up. Ryan Steffensmeier recorded a 7-5 decision at 126 lbs and Nathan Steffensmeier recorded a pin at 132 lbs.

Fort Madison also dropped duals with North Scott, 62-15 and Dubuque Hempstead 48-24.

Harlan Steffensmeier, Hayes, and Cordray had the only wins for the Bloodhounds in the North Scott match. While Aaron and Harlan Steffensmeier, Hayes, Settles, and Cordray all scored points for the Hounds against Hempstead.

Prior to the winter break, Iowa Wrestle and The Predicament, both state wrestling ranking publications had Harlan Steffensmeier ranked 4th in the state at 152 lbs and Hayes ranked 7th at 195 lbs.

Full results from the duals are listed below.

Fort Madison (FOMA) 54.00 Dav-(DVPW) enport West 15.00 138: Wesley Eisienbacher (DVPW) over Will Larson (FOMA) (Dec 15-9) 145: Aaron Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Mason Webster (DVPW) (Fall 1:29) 152: Double Forfeit 160: Harlan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Tyler Conger (DVPW) (Fall 0:24) 170: Spencer Fillman (DVPW) over Chance Hocker (FOMA) (Fall 3:02) 182: Martin Vineyard (FOMA) over (DVPW) (For.) 195: Sam Hayes (FOMA) over CJ Busch (DVPW) (Fall 0:54) 220: Danen Settles (FOMA) over (DVPW) (For.) 285: Dalton Mabeus (FOMA) over Jacen Petersen (DVPW) (Fall 1:29) 106: Travis Hodges (DVPW) over Elton Kruse (FOMA) (Dec 9-4) 113: Mason Schau (FOMA) over (DVPW) (For.) 120: Dayne Cordray (FOMA) over (DVPW) (For.) 126: Wyatte Shade (DVPW) over Ryan Steffensmeier (FOMA) (Dec 4-0) 132: Nathan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over (DVPW) (For.)

Central DeWitt (CDEW) 45.00 Fort Madison (FOMA) 32.00 145: Aaron Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Sawyer Mercado (CDEW) (Fall 1:39) 152: Harlan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Max Cousins (CDEW) (Fall 0:18) 160: Cole Cahill (CDEW) over Keaton Poe (FOMA) (Fall 1:28) 170: Logan Pitts (CDEW) over Chance Hocker (FOMA) (Fall 0:42) 182: Mitchell Michoski (CDEW) over Martin Vineyard (FOMA) (Fall 0:43) 195: Nick Smith (CDEW) over Sam Hayes (FOMA) (Dec 3-2) 220: Danen Settles (FOMA) over Austin Meyer (CDEW) (Fall 4:26) 285: Cameron Lee (CDEW) over Dalton Mabeus (FOMA) (Fall 5:01) 106: Keaton Zeimet (CDEW) over Elton Kruse (FOMA) (Fall 0:49) 113: Robert Howard (CDEW) over Mason Schau (FOMA) (Fall 1:41) 120: Dayne Cordray (FOMA) over Cody Penniston (CDEW)

(Fall 0:37) 126: Ryan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Isaac Payne (CDEW) (Dec 7-5) 132: Nathan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Jeff Fuller (CDEW) (Fall 4:28) 138: Collin Courtney (CDEW) over Will Larson (FOMA) (Fall 3:45) (FOMA Unsportmanlike @ 195 -1.00) (FOMA coach misconduct warning at 126 0.00)

(NOSC) North Scott 62.00 (FOMÁ) Fort Madison 15.00 126: Caleb McCabe (NOSC) over Ryan Steffensmeier (FOMA) (Fall 1:43) 132: Quentin Albright (NOSC) over Nathan Steffensmeier (FOMA) (Dec 12-5) 138: Deven Strief (NOSC) over Will Larson (FOMA) (TF 17-0 4:25) 145: Collin Lewis (NOSC) over Aaron Steffensmeier (FOMA) (Fall 0:57) 152: Harlan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Austin Clark (NOSC) (TF 16-0 4:14) 160: Jake Matthaidess (NOSC) over Keaton Poe (FOMA) (Fall 1:06) 170: Drew Durant (NOSC) over Chance Hocker (FOMA) (Fall 0:48) 182: TJ Yates (NOSC) over Martin Vineyard (FOMA) (Fall 0:38) 195: Sam Hayes (FOMA) over Jared Rus (NOSC) (MD 12-1) 220: Zach Petersen (NOSC) over Danen Settles (FOMA) (Fall 0:31) 285: Cole Ernst (NOSC) over Dalton Mabeus (FOMA) (Fall 1:13) 106: Josh Connor (NOSC) over Elton Kruse (FOMA) (Fall 4:55) 113: Cael Bredar (NOSC) over Mason Schau (FOMA) (Fall 3:30) 120: Dayne Cordray (FOMA) over Logan Cole (NOSC) (Fall 3:22)

Dubuque Hempstead (DUHE) 48.00 Fort Madison (FOMA) 24.00 132: Dylan Pauley (DUHE) over Nathan Steffensmeier (FOMA) (Dec 8-3) 138: Tyler Murphy (DUHE) over Will Larson (FOMA) (Fall 2:38) 145: Aaron Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Jack Gehl (DUHE) (Dec 6-4) 152: Harlan Steffensmeier (FOMA) over Jackson Rig-

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Lady Hounds get 22 from Shannan in close loss BY PCC STAFF

ALBIA - Senior Taylor Shannan, who's been battling a groin injury all season, may be past the pain as she put up 22 points Saturday in a close 57-55 loss to Albia on the road.

The Lady Hounds also had two other players in double figures with senior Kamryn Bailey and sophomore guard Anna Kester each adding 11 points in game highs for all three this season.

At the outset it looked like a rout was underway as Albia took a commanding 12-2 lead with three minutes left in the first quarter, but Fort Madison got a 3-pointer and a bucket to cut the lead to 8 15-7 at the end of one.

The Bloodhounds went on a 17-11 second quarter run and actually had a one-point lead with less than a minute to go in the half. Albia outscored Fort Madison 5-2 in the last minute of the half to go into the lockerroom with a 2-point lead 26-24.

The two teams traded buckets throughout the third period and Albia held a 39-36 lead going into the final period.

Fort Madison had several chances to pull the game out going to the free throw line 16 times but only converted nine. They were down by 11 with just less than 3 minutes left in the game and then the Bloodhound shooters heated up closing the gap to 8 with two minutes left. Then a 6-1 run by the Hounds had them within striking distance but time would run out on Fort Madison.

Maddie Rashid scored five points in the loss, while See CLOSE, page 8

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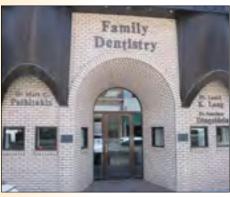


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PUBLIC NOTICE

Board Meeting Agenda Great Prairie Area Education Agency January 9, 2018 5:00 PM Board Dinner -**Conference Room A** 5:30 PM Regular Board **Meeting - Conference** Room A **GPAEA** Fairfield Office, 2000 West Jackson, Fairfield, Iowa **GPAEA Board Zoom** Join from PC, Mac, iOS or Android: https://zoom. us/j/420666315 Or join by phone: +1 646 568 7788 (US Toll) or +1 415 762 9988 (US Toll) Meeting ID: 420 666 315 AGENDA

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY BOARD PRESIDENT **II. OPEN FORUM** III. BOARD APPROVAL OF AGENDA IV. BOARD APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES V. BOARD APPROV-AL OF TREASURER'S **REPORT AND INVOICES** VI. EDUCATION RE-

PORT: SOCIAL STUDIES STANDARDS - SETH DENNEY VII. BOARD ACTION

ON EMPLOYEE RESIG-NATIONS a. Joseph Hudson, COTA

b. Virginia Van Auken, Speech and Language Pathologist

Plus Instructor ADMINISTRATOR'S

COMMENTS:

I recommend approval of the employee resignations as presented. VIII. BOARD ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR EARLY SEPARATION a. Catherine Benson, Early ACCESS Service Coordinator b. Jan Bergman, Early ACCESS Service Coordinator c. Thomas Buhrow, Four Plus Instructor d. Jill Fugate, Printing Technician e. Linda Gittins, Receiving/Billing Clerk f. Connie Hammond, Bookkeeper-Payroll g. Deborah Mueller, COTA h. Mary O'Brien, Printing Technician i. Vickie Parker, Early Childhood Consultant j. Gina Rappenecker, Speech and Language Pathologist k. Larry Thompson, Custodian ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS: I recommend approval of the applications for Early Separation as presented. IX. REPORTS TO THE BOARD X. ADJOURNMENT

> **PUBLIC NOTICE** Lee County **Conservation Board Meeting Agenda** January 9, 2018 2:00 p.m. Lee County **Conservation Center** 2652 Highway 61

Montrose, IA 52639 1. Call to order 2. Approval of minutes from January 4, 2018 3. Election of Officers for 2018

4. Public Input

This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Board on any matters pertaining to the Lee County Conservation Board. The Board cannot take formal action at the meeting on matters not included on the regular agenda, but may ask the staff to research the matter or have the matter placed on a subsequent agenda. 5. Approval of Bills 6. Approval of Financial Report

7. LCCB Bylaws Discussion 8. Lee County Pheasants

Forever Sponsorship 9. Staff Reports 10. Board Member Comments

11. Adjournment Next regular meeting will be February 13, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. (winter meeting time) Hearing and vision assistance available upon request. Citizens are welcome to all LCCB meetings.

PUBLIC NOTICE Lee County, Iowa **Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting** Agenda DATE: MONDAY, **January 8, 2018** MEETING **CONVENING TIME:** 1:30 P.M. LOCATION:



2:30 **Community Ser**vices 3:00 Treasurer 3:30 Conservation 4:00 Secondary Roads

*Times are tentative

PUBLIC MEETING -CITIZENS WELCOME

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PUBLIC NOTICE Lee County, Iowa **Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting** Agenda DATE: TUESDAY, **January 9, 2018** MEETING **CONVENING TIME:** 9:00 A.M. LOCATION: North Lee Building, 933 Avenue H, Fort Madison, IA 52627 AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance Approve Agenda Approve Tuesday, January 2, 2018 Board Minutes Consider Approval of Claims Public Input Appointment of County Attorney Oath of Office Appointment of Assistant County Attorney

Consider Approval of Contract and Contractor's Bond for PCC Paving Project North of 205th A venue in St Paul Consider Approval of Re-

placing Assistant Foreman in Secondary Roads Consider Approval of Amendment to Agreement with Advanced Correctional Healthcare for Inmate Health Services

Receive Compensation **Board Recommendation** Consider Approval of Tax

Abatement Resolutions (9) Personnel Actions: A. Step Increase-Treasurer's Office B. Position Transfer-Secondary Roads Reports:

A. Treasurer's Report of Fees Collected B. Treasurer's Semi Annual Report Commission or Committee Reports Adjourn

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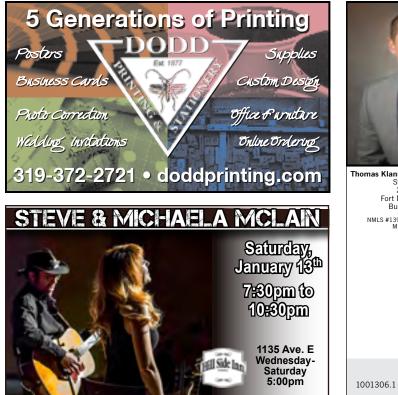


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Obituaries/Sports

OBITUARIES

ROBERT FRANK SAMUELS

Robert Frank Samuels, 76, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 4:44 p.m. on



Saturday, January 6, 2018 at Fort Madison Community Hospital. He was born on March 28, 1941 in New Brunswick, NJ to Frank & Viola Wistuba Samuel. He married Carol A. Rudy on August 7, 1965 in Sayerville, NJ. He was a supervisor at DuPont with 38 years of service and served in the U.S. Air Force and was a former member of the Moberly, MO American Legion. He enjoyed fishing, watching sports and going to Casey's in the morning to visit with people.

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Bob is survived by: his wife: Carol Samuel of Fort Madison, IA;

1-daughter: Francine (Tim) Roling of Cole Camp, MO; 2-sons: Robert Samuel of St. Augustine, FL & Dave Samuel of Moberly, MO; 5-grandchildren: Logan, Alaina, Ashley, Nolan & Skylar; 1-great grandson: Alexander & 1-brother: Jim (Linda) Samuel of Bricktown, NJ. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. A private family service will be held and burial will be at Soldiers' Circle in Oakland Cemetery. A memorial has been established and contributions may be sent to: Carol Samuel, 92 25th Street, Fort Madison, IA 52627. Online condolences to Bob's family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: <u>www.kinglynk.</u> <u>com</u>.

Hounds rebound with win over Albia Saturday

BY PCC STAFF

ALBIA - The Fort Madison boys basketball team had three players in double figures Saturday in their 70-57 win over Albia on the road.

Senior Kaleb Cresswell paced the Hounds with 17 points. Treavor James-Kokjohn added 13 and Logan Rashid had 11 from his point guard spot.

The Hounds got to the free throw line 30 times on the night converting 21 including 20 in the second half. Fort Madison raced out to an 11-4 lead half way through the first quarter but Albia went on a 7-4 run to end the first period down 15-11.

Cresswell, junior Brandon Keester, and James-Kokjohn all nailed 3-pointers in the first half including three in the second period to extend the Hounds' lead to 32-20 at the end of the first half.

Albia was able to cut the lead to just eight at the end of the third period as senior guard Nick Maddison, who was averaging just under 14 points per game,

More Saturday wrestling stats

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lit up the Hounds for 21 points in the second half. The Blue Demons closed the gap to five with seven minutes to go in the fourth quarter, but Fort Madison was able to start pulling away with a 6-0 run in the next minute and then were able to get to the free throw line as the Blue Demons began to foul to try and stay in the game.

James-Kokjohn, Cresswell, and Sheymouhr Redd-Donald went to the free throw line 19 times in the second half converting 15 and Albia wasn't able to get any closer than 10 the rest of the way.

Maddison led Albia with 26 points on the night.

Keester finished with nine points, Redd-Donald had 8, senior Lorenzo Riles had seven points, and sophomore Jayden Fedler added five.

The 7-4 Hounds sit in second place in the Southeast Conference behind 8-2 Mt. Pleasant. Fort Madison has won four of their last five and travel to Keokuk for a Friday night boys/girls doubleheader.

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don (DUHE) (Fall 1:03) 160: Alex Ward (DUHE) over Keaton Poe (FOMA) (Fall 1:56) 170: Trever Maiers (DUHE) over Chance Hocker (FOMA) (Fall 1:13) 182: Kent Kragenbrink (DUHE) over Martin Vineyard (FOMA) (Fall 0:59) 195: Sam Hayes (FOMA) over Steven Blosch

(DUHE) (Fall 0:46) 220: Danen Settles (FOMA) over Owen Dunne (DUHE) (Dec 8-3) 285: Dylan Olson (DUHE) over Dalton Mabeus (FOMA) (Fall 0:35) 106: Brennan Lechnir (DUHE) over Elton Kruse (FOMA) (Fall 1:36) 113: Dillon Gottschalk (DUHE) over Mason Schau (FOMA) (Fall 1:32) 120: Dayne Cordray (FOMA) over Marvin Oberbroeckling (DUHE) (Fall 1:45) 126: Joe Pins (DUHE) over Ryan Steffensmeier (FOMA) (Dec 14-7)

Hounds travel to Keokuk Friday

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Dalyn Wondra and Eleesha Estrada each scored two points for Fort Madison who falls to 0-11 on the year. The Hounds travel to Keokuk on Friday night for a boys/girls varsity doubleheader.

