





#### **SPORTS:**

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Holy Trinity knocks off Columbus Junction on Senior night in high school baseball action.

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# Pen City Current

ELECTION DAY - Polls open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

## 2nd attempt at new school goes to voters today

District says it'll cost more to rehab current buildings

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

FORT MADISON - Voters will decide tomorrow again, if the Fort Madison Community School District will get to build a PreK-3rd grade school and two ball fields on the districts campus on 48th Avenue and Bluff Road.

Polls open at 7 a.m. this morning and will stay open until 8 p.m. at the Fort Madison Public Library, and Roling Hall in Fort Madison; Grace Bible Church in



Wever and the West Point Public Library.

Anyone 18 and over who is a registered voter in the district can vote on the proposal regardless if property is owned or rented.

Officials with the school district have said the

current elementary schools Lincoln and Richardson are antiquated and would cost \$34 million to renovate and bring to code and would still have additional annual maintenance expenses compared to the \$27 million price tag for the new school and ball fields.

Opponents say their are too many questions about transportation and location as well as indicated the schools should have been kept in better shape over the years to increase their respective longevity.

The district is hoping to bring a new collaborative learning mentality to the school and start preparing children earlier to compete in the new informational

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Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

The Fort Madison Rotary Club put on its annual Picnic in the Park Sunday. The event featured a picnic dinner for a donation, raffles and root beer floats, and musical entertainment several local musicians. Funds from the event go toward helping the Rotary programs during the year.

Also on tap this Fort weekend Madison was Kempker's True Value Rental Customer Appreciation Day with a visit from P.A.W. Patrol's Rocky the Recycler. Rocky was on hand as part of the Great River Regional Waste Authority's hazardous waste program.

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# County considers joining ME service deal

Deal shares Medical Examiner with DM, Henry counties

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

MONTROSE - After more than a year spent looking for a regular county medical examiner, Lee County may enter into three-county agreement to share the service.

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Lee County Board of Supervisors an agreement will be presented that shares a medical examiner with Des Moines and Henry County.

The Memorandum of Understanding is an agreement between the three county boards and Great River Health Systems to share the cost of the position provided by GRHS.

The agreement, which still requires full board of approval of all county boards and the GRHS board of directors, would require GRHS to provide a "doctor of medicine and surgery, a doctor of osteopathic medicine and surgery or an osteopathic physician to serve as County Medical Examiner for the benefit of Des Moines, Henry and Lee counties."

Under the agreement GRHS or the approved Medical Examiner would have authority to appoint deputy

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#### **Local News/From the Front**

### McCormick gets Bryant Award from state

BY PCC STAFF

Iowa State Penitentiary has participated in the Law Enforcement Torch run for more than 15 years. ISP Sgt. Chris McCormick has been an integral part of not only the Torch Run but also coordinating a Special Olympics' fundraiser in honor of Scott Bryant.

McCormick has helped to raise over \$25,000 to go to the family of fallen Correctional Officer Scott Bryant as well as to the Special Olympics.

Recently McCormick received the Scott Bryant Memorial 'Unsung Hero' Award for all of his efforts. "I was honored to receive the Award." Said McCormick, "It meant a lot to me and it was completely unexpected. The Scott Bryant Memorial Poker Run was initially put together as a means to honor my friend, Scott Bryant as well as offset expenses for the family"

The funds from the poker run were then diverted to the Special Olympics. "This year will be the 14th Annual Poker Run and it has been a privilege to coordinate this event." Says McCormick "Scott was like a brother to me, and I know he would have done the same."

The next Poker Run is scheduled for August 19th for more information (319) 371-4980.



Courtesy photo

ISP Sgt. Chris McCormick receives the Scott Bryant Memorial 'Unsung Hero' Award for his efforts in raising more than \$25,000 in memory of fallen Correctional Office Scott Bryant. The money was given in part to the family as well as Special Olympics.

### Two-year deal would split \$30,000 budget three ways

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medical examiners, but the cost of those would come out of the agreed upon budget with no additional costs to the county.

The counties would each agree to pay the examiner \$150 for each death investigation with an annual total combined minimum of \$30,000 (200 deaths). In the event there are less than \$30,000 the counties would remit a balance payment to the examiner based upon services provided in each county.

The balance payment would be calculated by taking

the number of medical examiner deaths in each individual county divided by the total number of such deaths for all three counties combined.

Each county would also have to pass a resolution approving the physician designated by GRHS. Each county would also have to contract with Medical Examiner Investigators to serve at the direction of the named Medical Examiner. Fees to those individuals would be paid separately from the ME budget.

The proposed agreement is a two-year agreement

that would go into effect July 1 and run through June 30, 2019.

Lee County is currently utilizing Lee County EMS director Bill Young as it's medical examiner investigator and has relied upon retired Lee County physician Eugenio Torres as it's medical examiner on a per-service basis when needed.

The board meets Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Lee County Sheriff's office.

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#### Fort Madison Police Report

06/23/17 - 8:27 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 300 block of 10th Street. 06/24/17 - 4:19 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Tommy Lee Goines, 27 of Fort Madison, in the 400 block of Vica Lane on a charge of serious domestic abuse assault. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 06/25/17 - 1:05 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited and released Sarah Alexandrea Growe, 18 of Fort Madison, in the 2400 block of Avenue A on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.

#### Lee County Sheriff's Report

06/23/17 - 6:32 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Cody John Huffman, 27, of Clinton, III., at the Lee Coun-

ty Sheriff's office on a judgement entry. He was released on 06/24/17 for time served. 06/23/17 - 8:37 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Kenneth Lee Bigelow, 63 of Warsaw, III., at the Lee County Sheriff's office on a judgement entry. He was released on o6/25/17 for time served. 06/25/17 - 2:23 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on 300th Street. A vehicle driven by Karen C. Metzinger, 62, of Dunlap, III., was eastbound on 300th Street and drove off the roadway into the south ditch and continued through the ditch for about 80 yards. Vehicle had damage down passenger side and minor injuries were sustained. No citation was issued at the scene. 06/26/17 - 6:12 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on Hwy 218 near 180th

Street. A vehicle driven by Dennis Andrew Brumeau, 24 of Louisville, Ky., hit the shoulder and over corrected and lost control. The vehicle crossed the median into oncoming traffic ending in the east ditch where it rolled over one time, coming to rest on the tires. No injuries were reported, the vehicle sustained heavy damage and Brumeau was cited for failure to maintain control and failure to have a valid driver's license. All persons in these listings are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

#### Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

06/24/17 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded two medical calls 06/25/17 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded two medical calls



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# Great River Regional Waste Authority reminds you to use the 3 R's!



#### Here are some helpful tips:

# REDUCE

\*Reduce the amount of waste produced in society

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- Buy durable goods & products in bulk
- Avoid over-packaged & disposable goods
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- Make 2-sided copies whenever possible
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- •Use electronic mail/communications or a central bulletin board

# REUSE

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- Sell or Donate old clothes, appliances, toys & furniture
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• Recycle all acceptable products at our recycling bins, stations & trailers

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#### **Sports/Classifieds**

### HTC ends 10-game slide with win over Columbus

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

WEST POINT - Incoming freshman Vasin Thurman stepped up on a night reserved for seniors and drove what turned out to be the game-winning run Monday night in Southeast Iowa Superconference baseball.

The Holy Trinity Crusaders broke a 10-game losing streak by downing Columbus Junction 4-3 on Senior Night at South Park in West Point.

Another incoming freshman, Cole Thornton, picked up the win for the Crusaders going six innings, giving up five hits, while walking two and striking out six. Freshman Reed Fehseke came in in the seventh to pick up the save giving up no runs on one hit.

"Cole did a very good job today. An excellent job of throwing strikes," said HTC Head Coach Albert Schinstock. "And right now we're gonna keep using Reed for one or two innings to close games out. He did a nice job this evening."

Columbus Junction got on the board with only one out in the top of the first when Caleb McCollough came around to score on a double from Eric Reese. Thornton was able to strand Reese at second after getting the next two hitters to pop out to third and center

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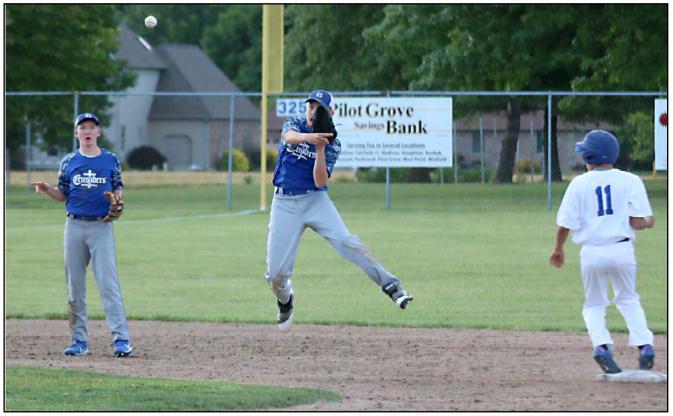


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Senior Cameran Bahl throws to first on a turn from a double play flip from Colin Thornton, left. The throw was late but the Crusaders broke a 10-game losing streak with a 4-3 win over Columbus Junction.

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EPA has assessed the ability of the local public to access the Five-Year Review report through an internet-based repository, and has determined that the local community has this ability. As a result, the Five-Year Review report for this site is available through the following website:

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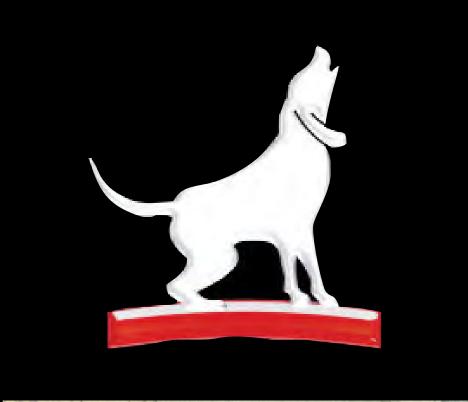
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#### **From the Front/Sports**

### Underclassmen shine on night reserved for seniors

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respectively.

The Crusaders answered in the bottom half when Fehseke reached on a fielding error by third baseman Marshall Meade. Fehseke swiped second base before Senior Ben Tinguely struck out. Junior Colin Thornton then singled up the middle with Fehseke on the run scoring him from second to tie the game. Kyle Bredemeyer and senior Cameron Bahl both popped out to end the inning.

Both teams went scoreless in the second inning. The Crusaders turned a nifty Cole Thornton - to Colin Thornton - to Vasin Thurman double play to end the top half of that inning.

Columbus Junction put up another run in the top of the third. Thornton got the Wildcats' Ryan Orr to strike out to start the inning. Tommy Pretz then walked and stole second and McCollough grounded out to Fehseke at third. Pretz stole second and then Reese hit another grounder to Fehseke. Pretz sprinted in front of Fehseke on the play and Fehseke's throw shorthopped first and got by Thurman to allow Pretz to score. Tucker Morrison then singled to left but Thornton coaxed the next Wildcat into a flyout to center that freshman Quentin Schneider caught sliding

to end the inning.

The Crusaders went scoreless in the bottom of the third and held Columbus to a walk and three outs in the top half of the fourth. Trailing 2-1 going into the bottom of the fourth, senior Cameron Bahl reached on an error at third and stole second. Thurman then lined an RBI single to left scoring Bahl to tie the game at 2s. Senior Nathan Bredemeyer hit a dribbler the catcher fielded and threw to get him at first advancing Thurman to second. Kaiden Medland then hit a single to left moving Thurman to third.

Reese tried to pick off Medland at first but was called for a balk by the base umpire scoring Thurman and moving Medland to second base. Schneider then hit a grounder to short, but Medland ran through the play and was called out on interference, leaving only Schnieder on the base paths when Fehseke popped out to third to end the inning with HTC

up 3-2. Thornton gave up a double to start the top of the fifth, but got the next three hitters out and stranded the runner at third.

In the bottom half, the Crusaders put an insurance run on with two outs. Kyle Bredemeyer drew a bases empty walk and Bahl and Thurman each added singles with Thurman's scoring Bredemeyer before Medland hit a smash back to Reese who gloved it in the air.

The Wildcats would get within one in the top of the sixth with a triple out of the gate. Thornton struck out the next hitter, his sixth of the game. But a deep fly to Tinguely in right scored the runner from third to make it 4-3. A ground out to Colin Thornton at short ended the threat.

HTC went 1-2-3 in the bottom of the sixth and Schinstock brought in Fehseke to close it out. Orr jumped on Fehseke with a single to left, but a pop out followed by a grounder to short on a fielder's choice and a ground out to Bahl at second closed the book on the game.

Schinstock said after the game he's pleased with the production of his team late in the inning. "Everybody's doing better staying in the game at this point."

He also had praise for Thurman and Medland.

"Those are young kids that are coming up with some pretty big hits."

The Crusaders are now 3-14 on the year with three regular season games left starting with Fort Madison Wednesday with a junior varsity/varsity set starting at 5:30 in Fort Madison.

#### **5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST**

TUE 27 Jun



Clear Skies Low - 63.5° F | High - 75.2° F

WED 28 Jun



Very Heavy Rain Low - 68.6° F | High - 67.9° F

THU 29 Jun



Very Heavy Rain Low - 71.3° F | High - 78.2° F

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Heavy Intensity Rain Low - 65.2° F | High - 81.1° F

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### School bond issue to be settled today

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and digital global economy as well as show current and future residents and businesses that Fort Madison puts education as a top priority in the community.

The Holy Trinity Catholic System is also well on their way to adding a \$6 million addition to their elementary facilities in West Point, however that issue isn't on the ballot as all those funds raised would be private

The \$27 million would come in the form of a 20-year bond that would cost \$2.64/month on a \$75,000 assessed home in the district. That amounts to \$31.68 a year and a total of \$633 over

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