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Randolph to run again in Nov.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - With four full years as Fort Madison's mayor under his belt and over 10 years as part of the Fort Madison city leaders, Brad Randolph said he's ready for at least two more.

Randolph indicated last week that he would be running for re-election

on Nov. 5 and he spoke Friday about why he wants to continue holding the gavel at City Hall for a while longer.

"It wasn't a tough decision to run again. I think Fort Madison is in a good place and there are some things that I was part of starting back in 2012 when I took over, and like it or not, some of those things haven't come to fruition yet," he said. "There's just a lot of



RANDOLPH

extra pressure with my kids growing up and getting pulled in a lot of different directions. I just wanted to make sure that I could give the position the time it needs and requires to make the community better."

One of the top priorities for Randolph is getting

the Amtrak depot moved from its current location to the the depot in Riverview Park. The mayor said he made a promise to former mayor Steve Ireland that he would help see that project through. Ireland died in 2012 and Randolph was appointed to fill the spot. In addition, he said the city made a commitment to residents when they passed the Quality of Life bond referendum to

start reinvesting in Fort Madison.

"One of the biggest things is the Amtrak depot platform. When Mayor Ireland was at the helm and fell ill I told him I would see it through," Randolph said. "It was a labor of love for him and it's a labor of love for me now. The city has put in a exorbitant amount of time in this starting with the

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Hounds Win 39-0



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Senior Alex Gully leads a pack of Hounds onto the field before Friday night's matchup with the Davis County Mustangs.

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - You have to go back almost two years for a Fort Madison win on the football field, but the Hounds came back in a big way Friday night.

The Hounds opened up Class 3A district 6 high school action strapping Davis County with a 39-0 shut out.

Senior Alex Gully, who head coach Tony Shiffman called a "mean runner" Friday night, led

the Bloodhounds on the ground with 133 yards on 19 carries including three touchdowns. One on the first possession of the game.

Shiffman, who handles the offensive play calling for the Hounds, reached into his bag of tricks on the first play from scrimmage. Junior signal caller Lennon Barker took a shotgun snap and threw to his right to senior Shane Redd-Donald who then found Logan Allen for a 23 yard half-back pass to start the

game.

The play sent a quick message to the Mustangs that the Hounds were game for about anything. Back-to-back 5 yard runs off the right side behind senior Elijah Barnes had the Hounds moving. A fumble in the backfield on the next play was recovered by Fort Madison and then Gully carried again up the middle for three yards. The Hounds kept the ball on the ground and Barker took a keeper to the right for five more yards.

A Davis County penalty gave Fort Madison half the distance to the goal. Gully bulled his way in again for three more hard earned yards. Barker then just missed a sliding Lorenzo Riles in the middle of the endzone, but Gully cleaned it up on third down for his first score and then the Hounds had a 6-0 lead after one of several botched PATs on the night.

The Mustangs got a first down

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Obituaries

MAURINE HELEN KREBILL

Maurine Helen Krebill, 99, of Donnellson, Iowa, passed away at 2:09 p.m. Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at Fort Madison Community Hospital in Fort Madison, Iowa.

Born April 17, 1918, in Donnellson, Iowa, she was the daughter of Hugo and Matilda (Krebill) Lowenberg. On November 23, 1943, she married Milton Krebill in Upland, California. He preceded her in death in 1992.

Survivors include two daughters, Phyllis (Alan) Charlson of Waverly, Iowa and Susan (Martin) MacDowell of Rockton, Illinois; five grandchildren, John (Kristen) Charlson, Kevin (Laurie) Charlson, Paul MacDowell, Sarah MacDowell, and Rachel MacDowell; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Orien Lowenberg of Donnellson, Iowa; and one brother, Don Lowenberg of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, twin sisters in infancy, and sister, Iola Spohnheimer.

After Milton was discharged from the Army in 1945, they started farming northwest of Donnellson. They retired and moved to Donnellson in 1974. Maurine was a homemaker and enjoyed her yard and gardening.

Maurine was a lifelong member of the Zion Mennonite Church in Donnellson, where she was the last surviving member of the Goodwill Circle. She taught Sunday School and served as the Junior Sunday School Superintendent. Maurine and her husband were the church custodians for many years. Maurine was the last surviving member of the 1936 graduating class of Donnellson High School.

Per her wishes, her body has been donated to the University of Iowa College of Medicine.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

Burial will be in the Mennonite Cemetery near Donnellson, Iowa.

A memorial has been established in her memory. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com.

The Schmitz Funeral Home of Donnellson is assisting the family with arrangements.

TRACY JO WALTE

Tracy Jo Walte, 54, of Keokuk, Iowa, passed away at 2:20 p.m. Thursday, August 24, 2017 at the Donnellson Health Center in Donnellson, Iowa.

Born August 17, 1963 at Graham Hospital in Keokuk, Iowa, she was the daughter of Joseph Benjamin & Dorothea (Preston) Walte.

Survivors include one sister, Violet Miles of Hoffman Estates, Illinois; one brother, Milton (Marilyn) Walte of Keokuk, Iowa; 2 sisters-in-law, Carole Walte of Hood, California and Maxine Walte of Keokuk, Iowa; and one special friend, Truman Bishop. She also leaves behind several nieces, nephews, and cousins who all loved Tracy very, very much.

She was preceded in death by her parents; grandparents; two brothers, Elwin "Ed" & William "Bill" Walte; one nephew; and one great-nephew.

Tracy Jo was a member of the Keokuk Nazarene Church. She attended Head Start and Summitville School, and she graduated in May of 1984. Tracy Jo worked at Hope Haven in Burlington from 1994 to 1996, Park Ridge in Montrose from 1996 to 1999, and Bridgeway in Keokuk from 1999 to 2015. She participated in the Special Olympics until 2014 and was a Girl Scout. Tracy Jo enjoyed bowling, dancing, singing karaoke, watching wrestling on TV, and making latch hook rugs and pillows. She was an avid Los Angeles Dodgers fan, and she especially liked watching when they played the Chicago Cubs because her mother was a Cubs fan. She loved spending time with her sister and family every year in Chicago for her birthday.

Per her wishes, her body has been cremated.

A Celebration of Life Luncheon will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at the Keokuk Nazarene Church 3116 Plank Road, Keokuk, Iowa.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Special Olympics, Keokuk Nazarene Church, or Hospice of Central Iowa.

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Trainees work on properly sacking groceries at the new Fareway Grocery on Avenue H and 18th Street Saturday morning. The store officially opens with a ribbon-cutting that the public is invited to attend at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday with doors open following at 10 a.m.

FAREWAY unlocked, stocked, and ready to rock

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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FORT MADISON - Probably the greatest indicator that Fareway Grocery places value in community and employees is the fact that the co-managers at Fort Madison's new location both have worked their way up through the company from their teen years.

Michael Hanna and Mark Braun are

co-managers at Fort Madison's newest grocery store.

"That's why we're here," said Mark Braun, grocery manager. "It's a very family-oriented company and it's great in that sense."

The grocery will open on Wednesday at 10 a.m. following a public ribbon-cutting ceremony set for 9:30 in front of the store. Construction on the facility

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Local News

Fake food inspectors hit area restaurants again

Fake inspectors ask for up-front credit card payment

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – Fake food inspectors have reappeared in Southeast Iowa, according to report received by the Lee County Health Department.

“The fake inspectors appear to be targeting ethnic restaurants in Lee County,” said Rosa Haukedahl, Lee County Health Department Environmental Health Program Director.

The latest scam involves an individual posing as a food inspector who informed the restaurant owner that he will be doing a routine inspection but a processing of \$5 needed to be paid immediately by credit card or their license could be at stake.

“Unfortunately, at least one owner provided his credit card information to the fake inspector, which resulted in the owner’s account being hacked,” Haukedahl said.

The phony food inspector scam first appeared in Iowa several years ago when individuals posing as health department officials would bully restaurant owners and staff in attempts to

obtain personal information, including cell phone numbers, social security numbers and, in several instances, cash. “The fake health inspectors would solicit cash to ‘make violations disappear,’”

Lee County Health Department wants you to know that a legitimate restaurant inspector will never ask an establishment owner or staff for personal information, will never threaten or intimidate a restaurant employee, and will never attempt to extort money in exchange for fixing a problem, or perform inspections.

“Food safety inspectors at both the state and local level are dedicated individuals who assist owners in the operation of their food service establishments – their role is as much educational as it is regulatory,” Haukedahl added.

Restaurant owners and operators are urged to contact their local health department or the Department of Inspections and Appeals for verification of a person’s identity if they have any doubts about an inspector. Food establishment operators who are contacted by anyone claiming to be a food inspector who asks for personal information, such as credit card account numbers, should immediately notify their local police department.

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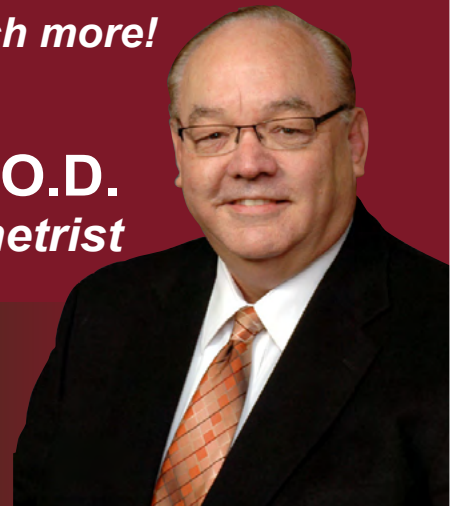
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RONALD FULLENKAMP

Ronald Fullenkamp, 76, of West Point, Iowa passed away at 1:07 A.M. Saturday August 26, 2017 at his home.

Born January 13, 1941 at West Point, Iowa the son of Adrian and Agnes Bentler Fullenkamp. On July 21, 1962 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in West Point he married Carolyn Panther.



FULLENKAMP

Survivors include his wife Carol, children: Joe (Alicia) Fullenkamp of South Bend, Indiana, Chris (Colleen) Fullenkamp of West Point, Jill (Matthew) Garmoe of West Point, Curt (Michelle) Fullenkamp of North Liberty, Iowa, Mark Fullenkamp of Iowa City, Iowa, Beth (Daren) Box of Nebraska City, Nebraska, Milo (Ann) Rosales of Indianola, Iowa and

Dave (Elizabeth) Schau of Coralville, Iowa. Twenty-five grandchildren: Alec, Patrick, Jared and Ethan Fullenkamp; Ben and Luke Fullenkamp; Julie (Josh) More and Erin Garmoe; Brad and Amanda Tresnak; Wolfgang, Kathryn and Josephine Fullenkamp; Eric, Laura, Renee and Jenna Box; Daniel, Marcel, Simone and Ryan Rosales; William, Lucy, Henry and Oliver Schau. One great grandchild Karly More. Also surviving are his mother Agnes Fullenkamp of West Point. Five brothers: Ray (Becky) Fullenkamp of West Point, Will (Chris) Fullenkamp of Fort Madison, Jim Fullenkamp of California, John (Jill) Fullenkamp of Danville and Dan (Deb) Fullenkamp of West Point. Three sisters: Jeanne Griswold of Fort Madison, JoAnn (Danny) Lampe of West Point and Judy Fullenkamp of Burlington. Many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

He was preceded in death by his father Abie Fullenkamp.

Ron was a member of St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church where he had served on the Parish Council. He was a member and past president of the West Point Community Club where he served on many building and betterment projects. He served on the West Point Fire and Rescue. He was a member and past Grand Knight of the West Point Knights of Columbus. He was elected to and served several terms on the West Point City Council. He served as President of the North Lee County Cancer Society

and the Marquette School Board. He was a member of the Friends Reach Out and for 19 years he was a coach and president of the West Point Little League. In 1963 Ron founded Fullenkamp Insurance Inc. in West Point. He was active and served on several committees in the Independent Insurance Agents of Iowa since becoming a member in 1973. He served as President of the State Association and three terms as State National Director and on the Standard and Poor's Advisory Board. In 1988 he was honored as State Agent of the Year. During his insurance career he earned his Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter and Chartered Life Underwriter designations.

In 1989 he purchased timberland and became active in tree farming. As a member of the Iowa Woodland Owners Association and the Iowa Tree Farm Association he served as the chairman and held several other offices. Ron and Carol were named Iowa Tree Farmer of the year in 2002. Tending to his trees and improving his timberland was a major part of his recreation and leisure time activities. Because of his love for the outdoors, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening and educating the public about planting and the care of tree and conservation practices in general. The Fullenkamp Tree Farm has been the location of many field days to educate students, the public and state conservation associations.

Friends may call after noon on Thursday at St Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in West Point. The family will meet with friends from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. There will be a Knights of Columbus Rosary recited at 3:30 P.M. and a Christian Wake Service at 7:00 P.M.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. Friday September 1, 2017 at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in West Point with Fr. Dennis Hoffman and Fr. Apo Mpanda as Celebrants.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in West Point. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be given to the West Point Fire and Rescue (for the purchase of a new tanker truck) or the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation.

The family is being assisted by the Schmitz Funeral Home of West Point. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com.

SISTER MARY DINGMAN

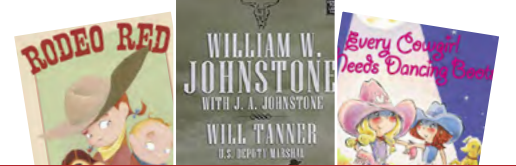
Sister Mary Dingman, 97 years, of St. Paul, Iowa died at 1:15 am Saturday August 26, 2017 at her home. Funeral arrangements are pending at the Barr-Holtkamp Funeral Home, West Point, Iowa.

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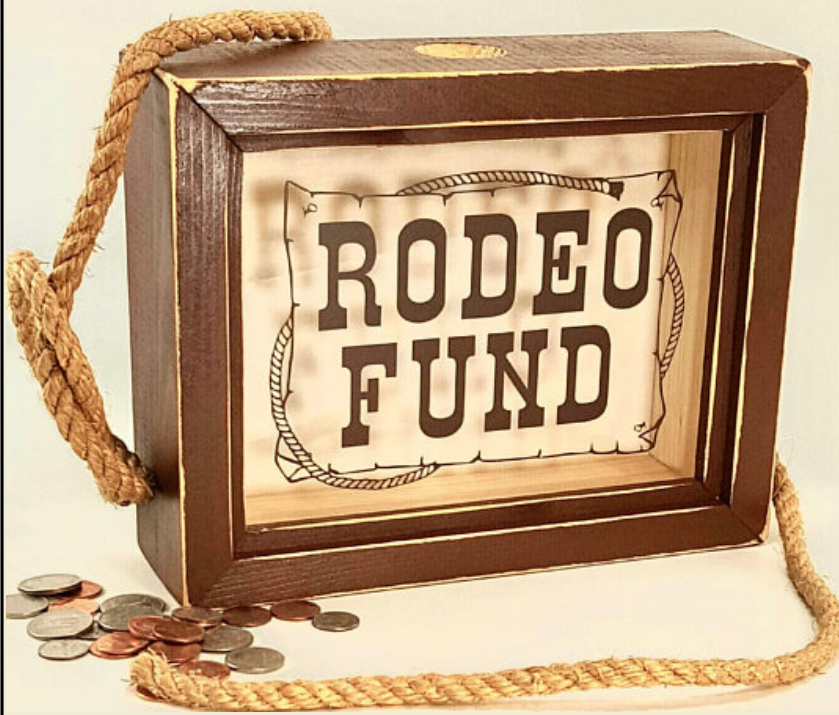
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Area News

ABATE Mystery Ride raises \$22K for local hospices

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WEST BURLINGTON - The fundraising total for this year's ABATE District #18 Mystery Ride for Hospice fundraiser held Saturday, July 15 has been announced. The 13th annual event raised \$22,010, nearly double the previous year, the largest single year increase in the event's history. Proceeds from the fundraiser were split between Great River Hospice and Lee County Health Department Hospice.

Randy Hiland, ABATE #18 Activity Coordinator, reported over 250 bikes participated in the ride this year. Entry fees, t-shirt sales, live auction, and a fundraising meal contributed to the fundraising grand total. Randy voiced his gratitude for the continued support of the Mystery Ride and expressed a special thank you to Rose Schwerin, an ABATE member and Great River Hospice nurse, who was instrumental

in organizing this year's ride. ABATE, a brotherhood aimed towards education, organizes other fundraising events during the year, with the Mystery Ride being their biggest ride.

Chris Oleson, director, Great River Hospice, and Julie Schilling, administrator, Lee County Health Department, expressed their gratitude to ABATE for their hard work and for their continued support of hospice. Proceeds raised will help to provide care and support to local terminally ill and their families in their home, nursing facilities, and Great River Hospice House. The mission of hospice is to enrich a terminally ill person's quality of life by alleviating pain and other symptoms. Hospice provides this care by giving physical, emotional and spiritual support to patients and their families. Hospice care may be provided to people of all ages and with any type of life-limiting illnesses.



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Sports

Hounds blank Davis County for first win since 2015

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on their first possession but the Hounds front four, anchored by Dalton Mabeus, made running up the middle very tough for the visitors. On 4th and 8 Davis County stepped into punt formation, but Barnes got a paw on the ball for the block and FM recovered deep in Davis County territory.

Barker took an 8-yard sack on 1st and 10 and an illegal motion penalty pushed the Hounds back, but then Barker found Redd-Donald on a 29-yard pass play down to the Mustang's 10. Shiffman gave Gully the ball on the next two carries and he pushed his way in from two yards out to give the Hounds a 12-0 lead. Barker found Allen in the right corner for the 2-point conversion and the Hounds were in business 14-0 with 3:54 left in the first quarter.

The Hounds kicked off, Davis County got a two-yard run from Collen Allen on the first play and then coughed up the leather on 2nd and 8. The Hounds marched right back down the field. Two more penalties, of 13 total on the night for the Hounds, weren't enough to slow the Hounds on the drive, highlighted by a 15-yard hookup from Barker to Redd-Donald and Redd-Donald's 28-yard carry where he was just tripped up by the Mustang's Owen Bennett at the four.

Sophomore Diego Lozano who ran tough in the gaps giving Gully breathers, punched it in on the next play. The PAT was mishandled again and the Hounds were up 20-0.

Davis County only got two plays in the next offensive set before Sam Hayes picked off a JR Zeitler pass and ran it back to the Mustang's 16. It appeared the Hounds wouldn't take advantage of the turnover as an incomplete pass, a Gully loss of three yards and another procedure penalty had the Hounds at 4th and 18. Barker again located Redd-Donald in the center of the endzone for a 24-yard touchdown and the Hounds held a comfortable 26-0 lead with close to 9 minutes left in the half.

The Mustangs were able to get a sustained drive on their next possession with Allen doing most of the work on the ground moving the chains three times before an illegal motion penalty and a false start had them

at 4th and 14 and an incomplete pass gave the ball back to the Hounds.

Three straight runs from Gully chewed up 31 yards and had the Hounds 1st and 10 at the 46 yard line. Af-

he wants the ball I want to give it him," said Shiffman. "We also got some good runs from Diego Lozano as a sophomore. He really ran hard for us. We did a lot of things well in the running game tonight."

Gully said the play was the perfect call.

"Coached called power left, the left side was weak all night and it was wide open and I ran with all my intentions and went in untouched," Gully said.

The crimson and black put the last score up when Barker and Redd-Donald hooked up on a 38-yard touchdown into the east endzone. Gully started the drive with a 20-yard run. Fort Madison got flagged again for moving before the snap, but Lozano took the next two carries 18 yards. Barker looked to Allen behind the secondary, but Allen collided moving on the ball with a Mustang and was called for offensive pass interference.

That didn't sit well with Fort Madison so they just aired it out again on the next play and Barker found Redd-Donald again for a 38-yard touchdown. AJ Nolting hit the extra point and the Hounds set



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Logan Allen turns and heads up field after hauling a 23-yard pass from Shance Redd-Donald on a half-back pass on the first play from scrimmage in Friday night's 39-0 win over Davis County.

ter another penalty, Barker found Redd-Donald again for 7 yards and then took a keeper for another seven, before Lozano ran up the middle for five and Gully went off the right side for 9, 4, and 7 on three straight runs. Yet another illegal motion penalty and two incomplete passes forced the Hounds to turn the ball over on downs with :43 left in the half.

The Mustangs ran one play and then let the half expire.

Shiffman said he told the team at halftime this is how he expected them to play.

"I told these guys at halftime that this is what I expected of them. I thought we could have had 35 or 40, but I expected that truthfully. This was not a big surprise to me," Shiffman said after the game.

The second half started much the same for the Mustangs as they took the second half kick back to the 27, ran a one-yard play off right tackle and then fumbled on the next play with the Hounds recovering. Shiffman threw a curve at Davis County and sent Gully around the left end and he was off to the races for a 28-yard touchdown. The Hounds again failed on the 2-point conversion, but were up 32-0.

"Alex has been running angry all summer and when

the final at 39-0.

Unofficially, Redd-Donald finished the game with 141 yards on seven reception and two touchdowns. Barker went 9 of 17 for 161 yards, two touchdowns, a two-point conversion pass, and no interceptions. He was sacked three times in the contest.

Gully finished the night with 22 carries, 157 yards, and three touchdowns and gave credit to the offensive line for blowing open holes, especially senior Elijah Barnes who hasn't played in two years.

"We weren't expecting a game like that. If we were kept in the game we would have won by 60. Elijah is a helluva good blocker," Gully said.

Barnes said it was fun being back on the field with his friends and he had a good feeling coming into the evening.

"It feels amazing. I'm glad to come out and play with all my teammates that I've been playing ball with since I was a kid," Barnes said.

"I felt this right out of the gate. Right out of the locker room I knew we were gonna win this game. It was a great team effort, everyone did what they were supposed to do and it led to the goose egg."

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Managers Braun, Hanna partner to specialize service

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started in 2016 after negotiations with the city were completed and the County Market building was removed. The building had also been home to Easters and an Econo-Foods prior to that.

Stocking of the shelving is almost completed and employees are being trained in shifts with a heavy customer service focus. Employees on Saturday were facing up products and checking stock levels. About nine employees in the Fareway white shirt, black tie and black pants practiced bagging products and working on the "To Your Car Service" promise the grocery has instilled. Employees take carts of groceries out to customers' cars as a practice.

But the company is known throughout the state for its great meat department.

"Basically, the reason

we're so good is our meat market is vastly superior to others. "Mike, all he's done is the meat dept. I don't know anything about meat, but that's where he specializes. He knows everything there is to know about it."

Braun handles the rest of the operations of the store from produce, to the freezer department, and front and back ends.

"Mike handles the meat, but he couldn't check out your groceries. That is why this works so well," Braun said.

"They call it a partnership. He's my partner in this store. We both answer to the same supervisor but in the same sense he doesn't answer to me and I don't answer to him, but what's good for the meat department is good for the whole store. I do the dairy, freezer and produce departments, front and back end of things, but he

takes care of everything behind that meat counter."

The store employs about 90 people total and 12 of the staff are specific to the meat department.

Hanna started his career with Fareway 19 years ago in Knoxville as a 16-year-old part-time employee. Hanna said he experimented with college, but the grocery is the business he decided to stick with. He worked his way to Waterloo, Sioux City, Ames, and then Iowa City before taking the Fort Madison leadership position.

Braun said he also started 19 years ago when I was 15 carrying out groceries to cars.

"I went full-time and went to Knoxville and met Mike there and we worked together for three years. I hadn't seen him in 14 or 15 years. So when I heard we were coming here together that was pretty exciting for me and



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Trainees work on Saturday with one of Fareway's regional directors on role playing to perfect the "To Your Car Service" philosophy that is integral to the Fareway customer service framework.

I called him and we talked about things. We were both pretty excited about this," Braun said.

He said the company had more than 400 applicants at their open interview day in July and jokingly said they had all positions filled in about four hours.

Both have experienced an elevated welcome from the people of Fort Madison.

"Coming from Iowa City with such a large area with a lot of peo-

ple - I can't even drive four blocks here without someone waving at me. This mentality is different and it's very welcoming," Hanna said.

Braun said he was very impressed with the Fort Madison Middle School and the parks in the area.

"That new middle school is fantastic. I'm originally from Pella, a town similar in size to Fort Madison, but most recently from Davenport and it's nice having a park three blocks away from

my home now that my kids can ride their bikes to it and we can let them play there."

Braun said he was at an "Unpack your Backpack" event recently and was actually applauded.

"I went straight over from work so I had my tie and everything on and when I went into one of the other rooms, about five people started clapping. I haven't seen a reception like this for a new grocery. It's just been fantastic," he said.



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Sports

Hounds host CL Hawks Friday at home

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Shiffman said the shutout was a testament to the defensive staff and the energy of the kids.

“That’s huge. That’s Luke Rickelman calling a great game and our entire defense staff and personnel busting our ass and making it important. One of our goals was to get a shutout and we got it.”

Rickelman said he wasn’t necessarily expecting a shut out in the first game, but he did have expectations for his squad.

“I didn’t necessarily expect us to get the shutout right out of the gate, but I did expect my kids to play hard and they did it. They played almost a perfect game,” he said.

“We planned for what we saw last year and the kids executed it perfectly. We had a great week of practice - the kids took to it well and I think it showed what we can do.”

Rickelman said Dalton Mabeus dominated the line of scrimmage and made it very difficult to run or get anything going. He also said Sam Hayes had a great night and Redd-Donald came and made some big hits from his safety spot.

“Overall, they didn’t pass a lot but our DBs locked them down. You just can’t single out one person, this really was a total team effort.”

The Hounds are 1-0 on the young season and host Central Lee next Friday night in another home game.



Davis County’s JR Zeitler, (40) coughs up a pitch and the ball bounces around on the field before the Hounds recovered. It was one of three turnovers on the night for the Mustangs.

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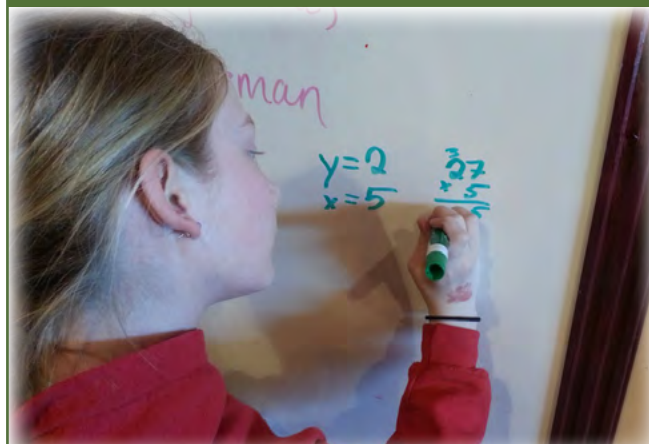
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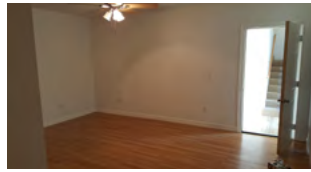


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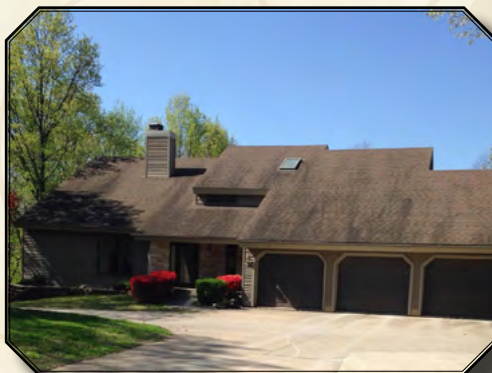
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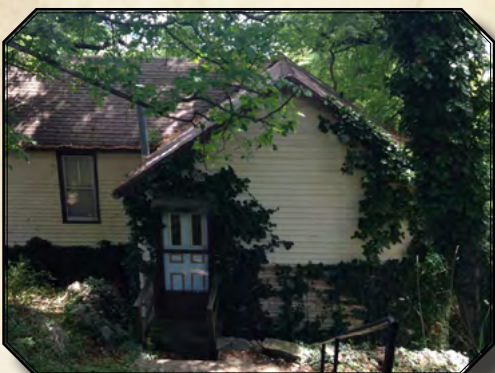
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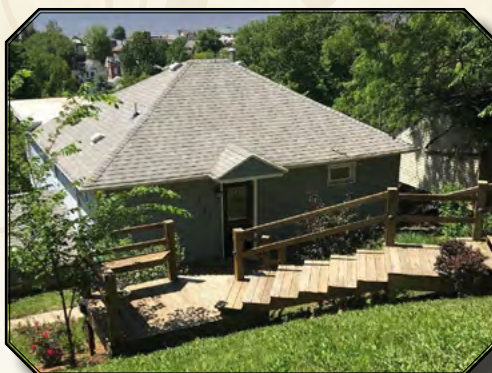
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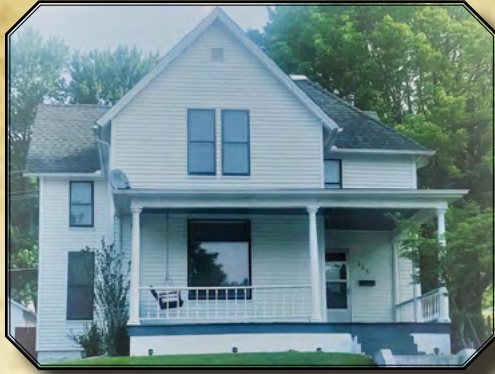
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From the Front

Depot, infrastructure still on Randolph's mayoral 'to-do' list

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raising of the depot and we need to get this completed. Randolph said this is the closest the city's been to getting that project to bid and he thinks construction will start in the spring next year.

He said the goal behind passing the Quality of Life referendum was to start rebuilding Fort Madison. "I've been a big proponent of infrastructure rebuilding and we've been spending off that bond," he said. "It was time for Fort Madison to invest in itself and we passed that with that in mind. That kind of was added to when we took over Business 61 and Hwy. 2 and got the money from the state and that project starts next year on the east side. It's a very exciting time for the community to see that rehab taking place and the finished product with a brand new corridor through town.

With a new grocery store days away from opening, new subdivisions popping up, and infrastructure improvements going on daily, Randolph said he thinks the city is in a good place.

"I would say the city is in a good place. No community is perfect, we always have our issues to deal with, but when you talk about subdivisions going up and we're getting local contractors willing to undertake that, that's a big deal. We're seeing new housing stock that we didn't have and that invites movement. It brings in people from out of town that are looking for new housing and I think that's a great thing. With the infrastructure improvements they see that effort and that's a plus as well."

But running for mayor isn't something Randolph says anyone can just jump into.

"A lot goes into being a public official. You have to be able to work with staff, state legislators, the governor's office and U.S. congressmen. It is something you can't just walk into and expect everything to work. There's a

learning curve there and I think I do a pretty good job of representing the city and working with the public."

But he reiterated that not everything is perfect and there is still a lot of work to be done.

"On the short side, I think we have too many businesses that are sitting empty. That's unfortunate and I wish I had a quick fix but it really comes down to increasing foot traffic and finding those niche shops. It also comes down to people being willing to step up and take that initiative to be a business owner.

He said those issues are so easily resolved by the city itself, but rather a concerted effort with Fort Madison Economic Development, Fort Madison Partners, Main Street and Tourism.

"We're constantly trying to pick away at that and we're starting to see things happen there," he said. "We keep talking about tourism and having people come into town and we're diligently working on that as well."

Randolph holds a seat on the city's tourism board as well as having a seat on the Great River Regional Waste Authority Board, but he said typically things just don't happen fast enough for him. He is also a doctor of dentistry and owns Randolph Dentistry in Burlington.

"Probably my biggest frustration is this. As a business owner, you're required to make snap decision on stuff and implement those decisions. With taxpayer money it just can't happen as fast as I love to have it happen," he said "We have to be good stewards with the public's money, build consensus with how it's spent. That makes projects take longer. You have to listen to the public and that's a critical piece in making sure we are working in the best interests of the public.


"I think I've been a good conduit between the public and the city staff and I consider myself a problem solver. I try to cut through the red tape and come to common sense understanding of how things work."


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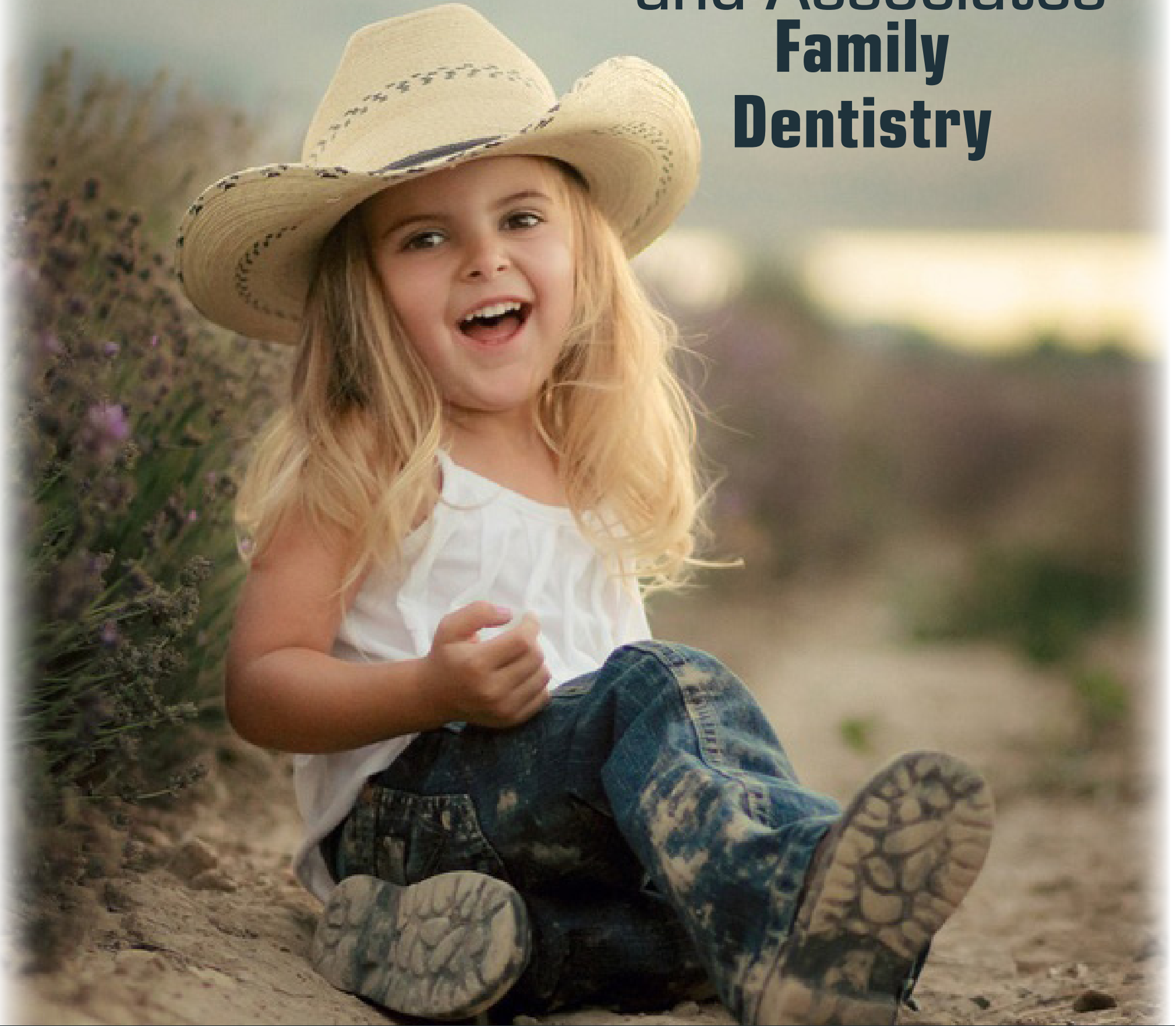
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