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Trio to take on state



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

From left to right, Elli Boyer, Olivia Kraus, and Jordyn Burch pose in front of Fort Madison High School on Wednesday. The three will join freshman Olivia Ritter of West Burlington on the Burlington Grayhounds' 200-meter freestyle relay at the IGHS AU State Swimming and Diving Meet Saturday in Marshalltown.

GRAYHOUND TEAM: FM girls join BHS on 200 state-qualifying freestyle relay team

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - The fall sports season isn't over for Fort Madison - not quite yet.

With the Fort Madison Bloodhound football team qualifying for the playoffs for the first time in more than three decades and about a dozen cross-country kids running at Fort Dodge, there's one more event to showcase the talents of Fort Madison kids.

Senior Jordyn Boyer, junior Olivia Kraus, and sophomore Elli Boyer are three of the four legs on the Burlington High School 200-freestyle relay team.

The three join freshman Olivia Ritter of West Burlington on the team that qualified with a 1:44.86 time at the state qualifying in Clinton last week. They will now swim Saturday afternoon at the IGHS AU State Swimming and Diving Meet in Marshalltown.

The time erased a 27-year-old event record for the

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COUNTY NEWS

IUB pushes Alliant on Wever solar project alternatives

DES MOINES - The Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) issued an order today denying the application for advance ratemaking principles filed on November 2, 2021, by Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL), a subsidiary of Alliant Energy, in Docket No.

RPU-2021-0003.

The IUB found that Alliant relied on a 2020 analysis in support of its decision to construct 400 MW of solar generation and 75 MW of battery storage, but it should have considered other sources of electric supply

as required by Iowa Code § 476.53 and therefore could not proceed.

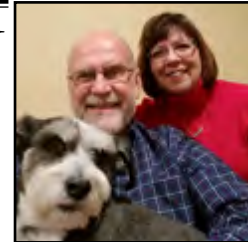
Today's order finds that IPL did not demonstrate that the solar and battery storage projects are reason-

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OPINION

EMPTY NEST

By Curt Swarm



33 Years Clean and Sober

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

November 3, 1989, I lay on my living room floor covered with blood, bleeding to death. It was 2:00 am. I had drunkenly pitched through the glass top of my coffee table and cut myself to smithereens. It was the wake-up call I needed. I had to have help. I could no longer quit drinking on my own. I entered a program of recovery and my whole life turned around.

About 30 days clean and sober, I had a spiritual experience so profound it changed my life completely. (I write about it in my first book, "Protected," available through Amazon or me.)

It was a November to remember. Each year during the month of Thanksgiving I like to take stock of what it was like then and now, and give thanks for all the blessings I have received. Today I am happily married, have two kids and four grandkids, and am living the life I dreamed about. I'm the writer I always wanted to be.

Profound discovery: the same high I used to get from drugs and alcohol I get from writing. (Writing is a mood-altering substance.) However, the high I get from writing doesn't end up in a blackout or find me coming to in another state, wondering how I got there. The writing high is constructive rather than destructive. It doesn't drain my checking account, beat the crap out of me, or leave me waking up in a jail cell. The end results of my writing high are that my Empty Nest newspaper column is published in about fifty newspapers, the recent publication of my

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WEATHER

THU 10 Nov.....	Chance of thunderstorms, 74° F/ 29° F
FRI 11 Nov.....	Mostly sunny and cool, 36° F/ 23° F
SAT 12 Nov.....	Partly cloudy and cool, 35° F/ 20° F

IOWA LOTTERY

LUCKY FOR LIFE 11/08.....	15 17 33 37 40, Lucky Ball: 6
MEGA MILLIONS 11/08.....	5 13 29 38 59, Mega Ball: 23 Megaplier: 4
PICK 3 11/08 MIDDAY.....	211
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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

RICHARD J. KOEHLER

Richard "Curly" Jacob Koehler, son of Carl and Awanda Jacobs Koehler, died peacefully surrounded by family on Monday, November 7th. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Electa Sue Meyer Koehler. Richard is also survived by his 4 children Karla and Ron Froman, Lisa Koehler, Brad Koehler, and Angie and Rob Munson. He has been blessed with 8 grandchildren Matthew and Katie Froman, Stuart and Stephanie Froman, Lucas Satterly, Dylan Satterly, Katy Koehler, Anne Koehler, Electa Munson, and Isaac Munson. As well as 9 great-grandchildren who he adored.



KOEHLER

Curly was also survived by his brother, Duane Koehler of McAllen, Texas where he and his wife Sue spent the winter months for the past 25 years. Curly is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws and many close friends who he considered family.

Curly was born December 25, 1934 in Wythe Township, where he farmed most of his life. He has been an active member in both the Trinity United Methodist Church and his community serving on several boards over the years.

His favorite part of life was being surrounded by friends and family where you were sure to see the twinkle in his eye and a loving, mischievous smile.

A memorial service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at Printy Funeral Home in Warsaw.

Memorials may be directed to the Warsaw Ambulance Service or Trinity United Methodist Church in Warsaw.

Tributes and condolences may be left at www.printyfuneralhome.com.

Printy Funeral Home of Warsaw is in charge of arrangements.

Pen City Current obituary policy

Pen City Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes. Reposting of obituaries due to changes can only be requested by the submitting funeral home and will be assessed a \$15 reposting fee.

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM L. JEFFERSON

We are heartbroken to announce the death of our father, William "Bill" Lee Jefferson, Jr. He will be sadly missed and will always hold a place in our hearts. He gained his wings on November 7, 2022, at the age of sixty-one.



JEFFERSON

William was born in Keokuk, Iowa, on November 6, 1961, to Mary and William Jefferson. William was a hard-working man who held many jobs in his lifetime. He was extremely proud of his time as a nursing assistant. Bill loved spending time with his family. While he could be extremely serious at times, he also liked to tell jokes and recount memories from years past.

Whether giving advice or helping with a project, he was always there when you needed him and would help you if he could.

William leaves behind his children Cristina (Wesley) White of Burlington, Iowa, Will Jefferson of Burlington, Iowa, Todd (Heather) Jefferson of Kaho-ka, Missouri, Michael Jefferson of Keokuk, Iowa, and Margaret Jefferson of Keokuk, Iowa; thirteen grandchildren; three sisters: Veronica (Larry) McDowell of Keokuk, Iowa, April (Doug) Limkeman of Keokuk, Iowa, and Josie McVay of Keokuk; his brother John (Lana) Jefferson of Keokuk, Iowa; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

William is preceded in death by his parents William and Mary Jefferson.

The family will be holding a memorial service at 11 am on Saturday, November 19, 2022, at Calvary Baptist Church in Keokuk, with Pastor John Heath officiating. A meal will follow.

Memorials may be directed to the family for expenses in care of Cristina White.

Tributes and condolences may be left at www.dejongfuneralhome.com.

DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home in Keokuk is assisting the family with arrangements.



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Lee County News/Iowa News

FSA county committee election ballots out

DES MOINES, Iowa, Nov. 9, 2022 — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) began mailing ballots this week for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) county and urban county committee elections to all eligible agricultural producers and private landowners across the country. Elections are occurring in certain Local Administrative Areas (LAA) for these committee members who make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. Producers and landowners must return ballots to their local FSA county office or have their ballots be postmarked by Dec. 5, 2022, in order for those ballots to be counted.

“County committees provide an opportunity for producers to play a meaningful role in delivering farm programs, but in order for county committees to be effective, they must truly represent all who are producing,” said Matt Russell, State Executive Director for FSA in Iowa. “Voting in these elections is your opportunity to help ensure our county committees in Iowa re-

flect the diversity of our agriculture. Your voice and vote matter, don’t miss your chance to cast your ballot.”

Producers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program to be eligible to vote in the county committee election. A cooperating producer is someone who has provided information about their farming or ranching operation but may not have applied or received FSA program benefits. Additionally, producers who are not of legal voting age but supervise and conduct farming operations for an entire farm are eligible to vote in these elections.

Each committee has from three to 11 elected members who serve three-year terms, and at least one seat representing an LAA is up for election each year. Ballots must be in the mail or delivered in person by close of business Dec. 5, 2022, to be counted. Newly elected committee members will take office Jan. 1, 2023.

Producers can find out if their LAA is up for election and if they are eligible to vote by contacting their local FSA

county office. Eligible voters who do not receive a ballot in the mail can request one from their local FSA county office. Visit farmers.gov/service-locator to find your local USDA Service Center and fsa.usda.gov/elections for more information.

More Information
USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Harris administration, USDA is transforming America’s food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit usda.gov.

Argyle man pleads guilty to weapon, robbery charges

LEE COUNTY - On September 9, 2022, Hunter John West, 18, of Argyle, plead guilty to Robbery in the 2nd Degree, a Class C Felony, and Intimidation with a Dangerous Weapon, a Class C Felony, Assault Causing Bodily Injury a Serious Misdemeanor, and Solicitation of Tampering with a Witness and Aggravated Misdemeanor.

The Robbery in the 2nd Degree charge stemmed from an incident that occurred in Fort Madison, North Lee County, Iowa on January 21, 2022 in which West entered the home of another person for purposes of committing a theft. The homeowner came home while West was in the home and was assaulted by West while West was attempting to flee the scene.

The Intimidation with a Dangerous Weapon charge stemmed from an incident that occurred in Keokuk, South Lee County, Iowa on January 19, 2022 in which West discharged four shots from a 6 mm rifle into an occupied residence on South 7th Street.

Sentencing was scheduled for November 4, 2022 where West was sentenced to two ten year prison terms to run consecutive to each other, for a total of twenty years to be served within the

Iowa Department of Corrections. Each offense carried a mandatory minimum sentence. The Intimidation offense carried a mandatory five year prison term before eligibility for parole and the Robbery 2nd carried a seven year mandatory prison term before eligibility for parole, for a total mandatory minimum sentence of twelve years before eligibility for parole.

The Fort Madison Police Department and The Keokuk Police Department were the responding and investigating agencies in these matters. The matter was prosecuted by the Lee County Attorney’s Office.

Casey Alexander Young, 38, of Keokuk, plead guilty to Theft in the 1st Degree, a Class C Felony and Assault While Participating in a Felony, a Class D Forcible Felony with a mandatory prison sentence in the Iowa District Court in and for South Lee County on Tuesday November 8, 2022. These charges stem from an incident that occurred on April 26, 2022 at Two Rivers Bank in which Young wore a mask and demanded money from the teller. Young proceeded to immediate sentencing and was sentenced to 10 years within the Iowa Department of Corrections.

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From the Front

Livestream available for state meet

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Grayhounds, one of the squad's main goals for the year and one that elicited emotion from the girls at the meet.

"The last person usually swims back, but I jumped out of the pool and we all started crying and hugging because we knew we broke that mark," Jordyn said.

"But everyone was looking around us and didn't know what was going in."

The girls will race on Saturday afternoon and will compete in the 1st heat in lane 6.

Kraus said it would be a long shot for the girls to place in the top 10, but a top 20 finish could be attainable if they can win their heat.

"If we can each cut a second off, I think we can get to the top 25 or even top 20," Kraus said.

The Grayhounds are seeded 28th out of 32, but the amount of time separating the eight teams in their heat is just .98 of a second.

Jordyn said the Grayhounds try to play "Catch the Rabbit" which means trying to stay within a half body or less of the person ahead of them. That tactic gives the Grayhounds' next swimmer a chance to catch the other team's next swimmer off the block.

"Racing the person next to you is key. We call it Catch the Rabbit, if there is someone in front of you, you try to get on their hip or on their shoulder. We do that in practice all the time," Elli said.

Jordyn said that tactic is what can give Elli an edge in the first leg.

Kraus said her expectations going in is for everyone to have their starts and turns on point. Each swimmer swims two laps, or 50 meters, and the junior said if everyone is sharp and shaves a second off their qualifying time, they could score close to 1:42.00.

The best time seeded at the state meet belongs to Davenport Central with a 1:37.77. A 1:42.00 according to the seedings would give the Hounds a top 15 finish.

Head Coach Emily Hill said the girls have swam together in club and in high school swimming and know each other well. Several of them, including Jordyn and Elli, came up through Fort Madison YMCA's Sailfish program and moved to Burlington's club swimming.

Kraus swam club with the Keokuk YMCA before joining Burlington's teams.

"These girls have swam together in club and High School swimming. This year had brought success to all girls on the team. Having success drives healthy competition and hard work throughout the team," Hill said.

"Early in the season the girls knew the relay was within reach and set the path to get it!"

The Grayhounds' swim team is comprised of swimmers from Fort Madison, West Burlington, Danville, and Burlington.

"This helps youth throughout Southeast Iowa swim and have a path to compete at the high school level," she said.

Hill said she is happy for the girls and for Jordyn being able to cap her high school swimming career at state.

"Jordyn has had a great senior season, continuing to improve throughout and be a leader in the pool. I am excited she was able to put this exclamation mark on the end," Hill said.

"The girls are definitely living in the moment and enjoying the experience."

This year's state meet takes place on Nov. 11 and 12th at the Marshalltown Family YMCA/YWCA. There will be a free live stream of all three sessions of the meet available on the IGHSU website. The links will be posted on the website Friday morning.

Creative writing class set again for Empty Nest

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third book, "Task Force IED," and the completed rough draft of a fourth book. You get the drift? A benefit of sobriety is goal achievement, the making of a legacy.

I'm a "respectable" person of society now, doing socially acceptable things rather than socially unacceptable. I'm invited to give book signings, am welcome to return to places I've been, and have become an elder in our church. ME, AN ELDER! THE GUY WHO PITCHED THROUGH THE GLASS-TOP OF A COFFEE TABLE!--an elder in the same church where I attended recovery meetings. Now that's recovery!

Here's a biggy I learned in the program of recovery: I'm the problem, not everybody else. It's me that has to be relieved of the bondage of self. I have to change. Whammo! What a piece of Humble Pie! There's a little prayer that I memorized and refer to quite often. Within the prayer are these words: "Relieve me of the bondage of self. Take away my difficulties." It's not everybody else. It's me that's the problem.

I even teach creative writing in our home. If piano teachers can teach piano in their home, and artists can teach art in their home, well then, by golly, I can teach creative writing. In fact, I'm going to fire the creative writing class back up this winter. I took a year off because of COVID, but I'm raring to go again. The class will start in January. We will meet once a week, on Saturday afternoons, for six weeks. I limit the class to six serious wannabe writers. First come, first served. Call or email me if you're interested at 319-217-0526, or curtswarm@yahoo.com. Several of the former students have published books and poetry.

BTW: You don't teach creative writing. You just get out of the way and let the students write. The writing is critiqued by each of the students and me. Having a weekly deadline is a great motivator. (No doldrums here!)

How did I celebrate my sobriety birthday? I accidentally dumped coffee onto the keyboards of both my computers—my main computer and backup, rendering them inoperative. My whole world was turned upside down. I hate to admit it, but my life is tied to computers. I went from celebration to panic in a heartbeat. Shows to go me how easily my world can be shaken up. But I'm the one who killed the computers. No one to blame but myself.

Have a good story? Call or text Curt Swarm in Mt. Pleasant at 319-217-0526, find him on Facebook, email him at curtswary@yahoo.com, or visit his website at www.empty-nest-words-photos-and-frames.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL 11/1/2022

The Fort Madison City Council met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, 11/1/2022, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Gray, Amandus, Rink, Andrews, Schulz, Bowker and Cangas.

On motion, Council approved the agenda. On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 10/18/2022; Liquor License Renewals: Fort Madison Tobacco & Liquor Outlet Plus & Pizza Hut; The 2022 Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending 6/30/2022, Claims dated 10/27/2022 & October Library Claims; & Payroll of 10/21/2022.

Mohrfeld opened the public hearing concerning the sale of a portion of City right-of-way located between Avenue B and 117 - 16th Street. With

no oral or written comments, Mohrfeld closed the public hearing. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-89, selling a portion of City right-of-way located between Avenue B and 117-16th Street. On motion, Council approved Ordinance No. D-92, vacating city right-of-way located between Avenue B and 117-16th Street. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-90, approving the Mayor's signature on a Non-Interference Agreement with ITC Midwest. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-91, approving the application of L & L Storage, Inc., for a 3-Year Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for a new commercial building located at 1131 - 48th Street.

The meeting adjourned at 5:57 P.M. until 5:30 P.M., November 15, 2022.
/s/ Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor
ATTEST: /s/ Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

EXPENDITURES	
General	\$ 56,502.09
Special Revenue	181,245.65
Road Use	30,848.96
Capital	153,635.28
Water	49,318.34
Sewer	9,438.72
Solid Waste/IWC	5,516.45
SW Utility	534.36
	\$487,039.85

PAYROLL		10/21/2022
General		\$197,300.86
Old Fort		4,177.02
Empl. Benefits		7,564.89
Road Use		29,790.36
Water		30,275.15
Sewer		31,531.33
Solid Waste		15,994.68
Airport		312.77
Storm Water		2,945.90
		\$319,892.96

REVENUES	
General	\$152,207.47
Special Rv	147,529.97
Road Use	118,987.32
Debt	981.90
Capital	6,799.94
Water	292,905.51
Sewer	294,249.76
Sld Waste, IWC	74,325.12
SW Utility	17,795.42
	\$1,105,782.41

CLAIMS 11/1/2022

ABC FIRE EXTINGUISHER, ANNUAL FIRE EXT INSPECT 54.20
ACCESS SYSTEMS, COMPUTER LEASE 5,080.42
ACTERRA GROUP, INC., REPAIRED FUEL PUMP 718.24
ALEXIS FIRE EQUIPMENT CO, EXPANSION VALVE 284.87
AMAZON CAPITAL SER-

VICES, STORAGE RACK & BATTERIES 373.76
AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOC, MEMBERSHIP FEE 266.00
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES, UNIFORM/SHOP SUPPLIES 895.96
AUDITOR OF STATE, FILING FEE 850.00
BAKER TILLY MUNICIPAL ADVISORS, PROF FEE - BONDS.. 23,465.00
BATES SANITATION &

ASPHALT, ASHPALT WORK @ 18 ST 22,000.00
BURLINGTON MUNI WATER, BACTERIA SAMPLE 170.00
CALHOUN-BURNS AND ASSOCIATES, PROF FEE - BROS SWAP 16,106.36
CESSFORD CONSTRUCTION CO., WASHED CHIPS.. 935.76
CORE & MAIN LP, PLASTIC LINER 721.42
CPA ASSOCIATES PC, AUDIT 36,900.00
CULLEN CONSTR. & EXCAVATING, SEWER REPAIR 22-23 AVE L 2,560.00
DALE BEUNING, SAFETY BOOTS 125.00
DAVE VRADENBURG, FRESHEN UP WINDOWS 800.00
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HACH COMPANY, AMMONIA 1,608.96
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KILBURG EQUIPMENT LLC, HYDRAULIC CONTROL VALVE 226.85
LEXIPOL LLC, POLICY MANUAL/TRAINING 9,433.19
LIBERTY UTILITIES MIDSTATE, HEAT/GAS 399.43
LYNCH DALLAS, P.C., PROF FEE - GENERAL 5,129.00
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, INC, CAMERA LENS 339.09
MARK BOUSSELOT, MAILING TOUR GUIDES 14.40
MARTIN EQUIPMENT, PARTS FOR JOHN DEERE 514.90
MARY FRENCH, CITY BAND - REISSUE... 20.00
MATT GRIFFIN, CLOTHING ALLOWANCE.. 69.44
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY, HEAT..... 423.41
MIDWEST SAFETY

COUNSELORS, SENSOR/CALIBRATION 500.68
MIGUEL LANDEROS, NUISANCE ABATEMENTS 1,051.41
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY EMBROIDERY, UNIFORMS..... 50.00
MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC., METERS 500.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS, HYDRAULIC OIL/WASH PAD 90.35
NATHAN KOSER, CLOTHING REIMB 500.70
NATIONAL ASSOC. OF SRO, TRAINING... 495.00
PANTHER UNIFORMS, INC., UNIFORM 1,776.15
PARKVIEW VETERINARY CLINIC, RESIDENT PD @ PARKVIEW 1,305.00
PITNEY BOWES, METER RENTAL..... 171.00
POSTMASTER, FORT MADISON, WATER BILLS/PAST DUES POSTAGE 1,849.04
QUALITY STRIPING, INC, 2022 RESTRIPIING JOB..... 21,751.66
QUILL LLC, WATER DOOR HANGERS 163.14
RAINBO OIL COMPANY, OIL..... 673.80
REID'S LANDSCAPES INC., LANDSCAPE SER-

VICES..... 175,000.00
SCOT BRISBY ESTATE, OVERPAYMENT ON HEALTH INS..... 1,596.67
SE IA REGIONAL PLANNING COMM, SEIBUS JULY-SEPT 2022 2,125.00
SHELLBACK TACTICAL LLC, ACTIVE SHOOTER KIT 625.49
SHIELD TECHNOLOGY CORP, REPORT WRITING SOFTWARE 4,425.00
SHOTTENKIRK SUPERSTORE, REMOVED EGR COOLERS & CLEAN 2,925.69
TAYLOR STODDARD, CITY BAND - REISSUE 20.00
THACHER TREE CARE, TREE REMOVAL 1,250.00
THE SHREDDER, ON-SITE SHREDDING 60.00
TRI-STATE LAWN SERVICE LLC, NUISANCE ABATEMENT..... 240.00
TRUCK REPAIR INC., SERVICED GRADER 320.18
UPS, SHIPPING... 253.80
VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC, PROF FEE - 10 ST COMBINE..... 1,239.00
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LIMITED, CHLORINE 153,635.28	ACCESS SYSTEMS, INK 77.25	TERRIAL 248.20	TELEPHONE 382.33	FM, JANITORIAL SERVICE 905.10
..... 6,479.82	WATER 49,318.34	EXCEL IT SERVICES, CLOUD BACKUP ... 27.67	MIDAMERICAN ENERGY, HEAT 12.65	TOTAL 7,002.74
WEST CENTRAL FS, INC, GASOLINE ... 448.13	WASTEWATER 9,438.72	FRANK MILLARD & CO. INC, REPAIR TOILET 137.68	PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE LLC, SHELF MATERIAL 146.25	GENERAL ,814.68
XANDRA ABEL, CITY BAND - REISSUE... 40.00	SOLID WASTE .. 5,516.45	GRIMES PUBLIC LIBRARY, COPY PAYMENT COLLECTOR..... 50.00	PETTY CASH - SARAH CLENDINENG, CRAFT SUPPLIES 113.33	SPECIAL REVENUE 2,188.06
TOTAL 480,037.11	AIRPORT 1,576.42	KANOPIY, INC., PLAY CREDITS 15.00	QUILL LLC, LABELS 696.39	TOTAL 7,002.74
GENERA 51,687.41	STORM WATER... 534.36		SERVICEMASTER OF	
SPECIAL REVENUES 177,481.17 480,037.11			
ROAD USE 30,848.96	LIBRARY CLAIMS			
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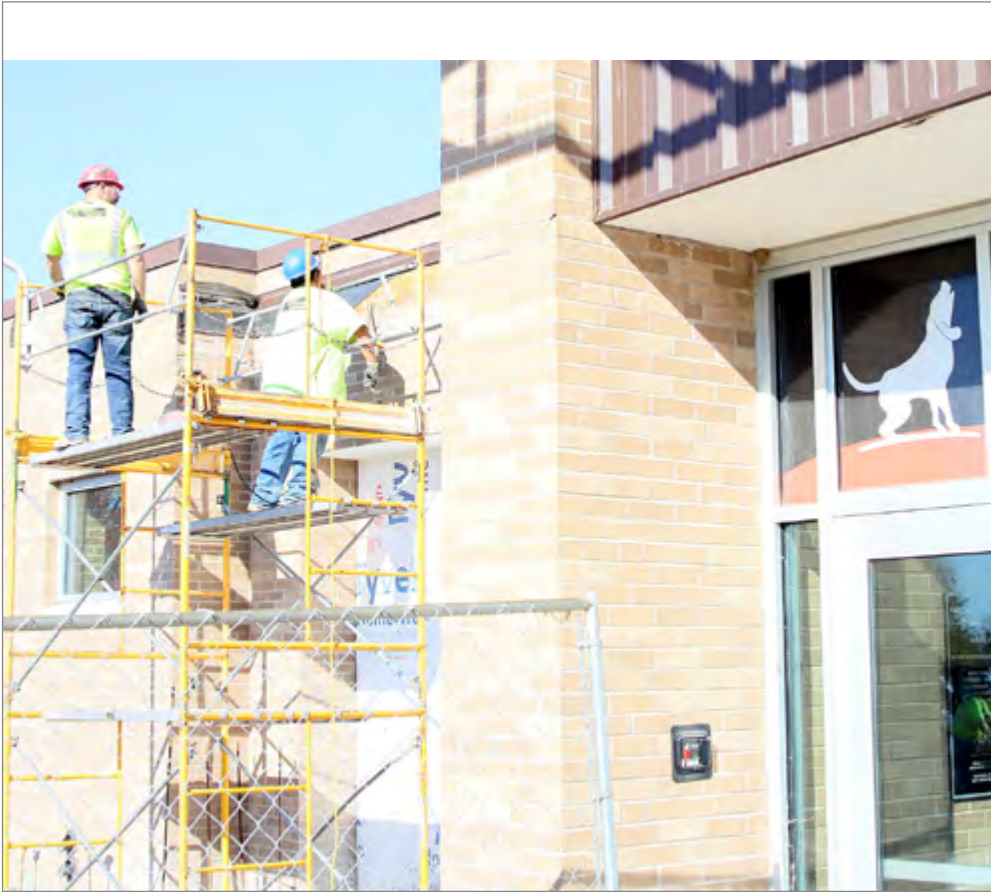


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Construction workers continue to work on the expansion project at Fort Madison High School while temperatures hovered in the mid 70s. Temperatures are supposed to return to season norms Friday.

Voter turnout was 2nd highest in state history for mid-terms

DES MOINES – Iowa Secretary of State Paul Pate announces the unofficial turnout for the November 2022 general election was the second highest in state history for a midterm. More than 1,220,000 Iowans voted. The all-time high for an Iowa midterm election was 1,329,930, set in 2018.

“My thanks to Iowans from every corner of the state who made their voices heard by voting,” Secretary Pate said. “I also want to thank the poll workers and county election officials across Iowa for their hard work and dedication. However, our work is not finished.”

Every county will now conduct post-election audits in randomly selected precincts to help ensure the integrity of the vote. Secretary Pate added another layer of protection to Iowa’s electoral process this year by ordering a second race to undergo hand count audits in every county. The audits will ensure the numbers match the totals reported by the ballot tabulators. The gubernatorial race and constitutional amendment ballot measure will be audited.

“Post-election audits add another layer of integrity to the election process,” Secretary Pate said. “I want all Iowans to know their vote counts, and it will be counted correctly.”

All election results remain unofficial until canvassing is complete, and results are certified. The deadline is December 5.

Unofficial totals are available at sos.iowa.gov.

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IUB order doesn't stop Alliant project from development

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able when compared to other feasible alternative sources of electric supply as required by Iowa Code. The IUB’s decision explains that IPL did not fully consider other sources of electric generation and did not update its analysis for changes in costs. In addition, the IUB found that the federal Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) presents IPL with other potential sources of electric supply.

In the order, the IUB stated that its decision does not indicate that IPL should not go forward with the projects, or that the projects are not reasonable, but that IPL needs to do additional analysis as required by Iowa Code § 476.53 before requesting advance ratemaking principles, or IPL can request cost recovery in a general rate case proceeding.

Documents regarding the proposed IPL solar and battery storage projects are available for review in the IUB’s electronic filing system under Docket No. RPU-2021-0003.

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