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PAW BINGO tonight



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The steel shell of the new PAW Animal Shelter is taking shape on the west side of Fort Madison. Officials are hoping to have the facility enclosed before the cold weather returns.

FUNDRAISER: Proceeds from popular Designer Purse event go to new shelter

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Steel framing is underway for the new PAW animal shelter, but funds are still needed for completion of the project.

To that end the PAW shelter is again holding its Designer Purse BINGO event this Friday at the LULAC Club in Fort Madison.

Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$40 at the door, but PAW Director Sandy Brown said she hopes there is no need for door sales.

“This is our fourth year of this and after the first year we’ve

been sold out for this huge fundraiser every year,” Brown said.

“We’re hoping it will be sold out again this year.”

The fundraiser is set around BINGO and instead of winning monetary prizes, BINGO winners get to pick their choice of a designer purse.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and BINGO starts at 6 at 1424 36th Street in Fort Madison. Food and drinks are available and participants must be at least 18 years of age to play.

“Bring extra money because there are many other ways to win including a 50/50 raffle or a prize basket. It’s a lady’s

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COUNTY NEWS

Conservation district to dedicate Clark property in May

LEE COUNTY - The Lee County Conservation District is dedicating property donated by the Clark Family on May 6.

“Join us on May 6th at 12pm as we dedicate our recently acquired property from the very generous Clark Family. This 163 acre property is a wonderful

addition to our conservation system,” indicated a release from the LCCD.

The property’s close proximity to Keokuk provides the community with a nearby place to explore and enjoy the outdoors along the Des Moines River. This property provides and outstanding habitat for all types of wildlife species

ranging from the monarch butterfly to migratory birds to even reptiles and amphibians.

“It is our hope that not only the public will enjoy this beautiful piece of land, but that it can be used to educate our local school groups and conservationist alike.

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HARMONY GRAD

Boudreau new WIU men’s hoops coach

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

MACOMB, Ill. — Chad Boudreau had called his wife, Stacy, to let her know he had signed the contract to become Western Illinois University’s head men’s basketball coach.

A little while later, Stacy, who is the volleyball coach at Wisconsin-Whitewater and has an NCAA Division III national championship on her resumé, called her husband back with a message.

“She said, ‘Hey, congrats. I’ve got things going on. But I wanted to let you know that I’ve won between 500-600 games, I’ve won a national championship, I’ve been to Final Fours. Good luck catching me. Go get ‘em,’” Boudreau said, smiling.



BOUDREAU

Boudreau, a native of Farmington and a graduate of Harmony High School, was named the Leathernecks’ coach on Thursday, replacing Rob Jeter, who left after three seasons to become the head coach at Southern Utah.

Boudreau, who has been the Leathernecks’ associate head coach since Jeter was hired in 2020, could have joined Jeter at Southern Utah, but said the decision to stay at Western Illinois was simple.

“In the end, I wanted to be here,” Boudreau said. “It’s home. Home is important to me.”

That kind of attitude, athletics director Paul Bubb said, is why Boudreau was at the top of his list of candidates when Jeter called Bubb on Friday to tell him he was leaving.

“My question was, was he going to go with (Jeter) or could I convince him to stay here?” Bubb said. “I didn’t have to convince him, because this is where he wants to be.

“A lot of coaches look at jobs like this as stepping stones, whether they’re trying to get back into (coaching), get their careers going again, or jump-start young careers. To me, somebody who wants to be here, and doesn’t look at this as a stepping stone, but

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Obituaries/Sports

SOCCER

Bloodhound boys shut out Keokuk 7-0

Pothitakis, Wellman, and Graham all score twice in win.

BY JOHN BOHNENKAMP
PCC SPORTS

FORT MADISON - Fort Madison High School posted a 7-0 boys soccer win over Keokuk in Thursday's Southeast Conference match at the Baxter Sports Complex.

But there was grumbling from the Bloodhounds, who thought they could have played better. And that's fine, coach Kevin Wellman said.

"We're recognizing the mistakes," Wellman said. "We're struggling to fix the mistakes."

"They self-recognize, for the most part. These guys hold themselves to a pretty high standard. They have a lot of pride for where they want to be. And in some of these games, I don't think they feel like they're where they want to be."

The Bloodhounds (5-0 overall, 3-0 conference) got two goals apiece from Xander Wellman, Jacob Pothitakis and Henry Graham, and one from Oliver Santiago, and got strong defense to get their second shutout of the season.

But there was more that they felt they could have done, and their coach agreed.

"When you're walking away after you miss a shot or something, and somebody says something, you can reflect and realize that 'I messed up,' but then we get in the same situation

again, and we make the same mistake again," Kevin Wellman said.

Fort Madison has been wanting to get off to strong starts, and the Bloodhounds did that with a goal from Pothitakis and a goal from Xander Wellman in the first 6 1/2 minutes.

Fort Madison then didn't score again until Graham's goal with 29 seconds left in the first half.

"It stagnated out there," Kevin Wellman said. "It kind of became a grind there for a while. I can't really tell you exactly what it was."

The Bloodhounds then took control early in the second half. Xander Wellman scored with 32:48 to play, then Pothitakis scored off a header with 28:54 left. Graham's goal with 23:53 left gave Fort Madison a 6-0 lead and allowed Kevin Wellman to rest his top players.

That is going to be important for a busy Saturday when the Bloodhounds host Clear Creek Amana and Davenport North in their tournament.

"It's not going to be a heck of a lot of rest for the guys," Wellman said. "I think we've had some good tests so far — Williamsburg was good, Washington is really, really good. But these are teams that we hardly see. I'm expecting them to be top-notch teams, and they'll challenge us."

OBITUARIES

MARILYN S. BARNHART

Marilyn Sue Barnhart, 52, of Keokuk, IA died Thursday, April 13, 2023 at her home.

She was born January 2, 1971 the daughter of Edward and Laurie Inman Oilar.



BARNHART

On June 5, 1989 she was united in marriage to Thomas Barnhart. He survives.

Other survivors include three sons, Dane Barnhart (Florida) of Canton, MO, Preston Barnhart of Kansas City, MO and Drew Barnhart (Lexi) of Canton, MO and two grandsons, Mason and Shepard. She is also survived by four sisters, Carol Oilar of California, Margie Oilar, Jennie Oilar and Trish Oilar all of Kahoka, MO and one brother, James Oilar of Mt. Pleasant, IA and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by parents and one sister, Ann Oilar.

Marilyn enjoyed watching television, especially science fiction shows. She made many attempts at sewing but never quite got the hang of it. Most of all, Marilyn loved spending time with her family.

There will be no services.

The Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

Graber honored with ESGR award

DES MOINES - Dick Rue of ESGR presented the award to Brigadier (retired) General Graber this morning at the Capitol in Des Moines. Representative Graber was presented this award for his service to ESGR over the past 14 plus years. He still serves as an Ombudsman out of Fort Madison. The ESGR was at the Capitol to make legislators more aware of their organization and what they can do for Veterans.



Award.

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The Seven Seals Award is the broadest and most inclusive award given by ESGR and is presented at the discretion of the State Chair or by ESGR senior leadership. The Seven Seals Award is presented in recognition of significant individual or organization achievement, initiative, or support that promotes and supports the ESGR mission, to include the efforts of more than 3,000 volunteers who carry out ESGR's mission across the Nation on a daily basis.

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For the Record/From the Front

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

04/06/23 - 10:11 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 4600 block of Avenue J.

04/06/23 - 11:52 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 600 block of Avenue G.

04/06/23 - 3:24 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 400 block of Avenue G.

04/06/23 - 5:43 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 3400 block of Avenue G.

04/06/23 - 5:49 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 3700 block of Avenue L.

04/06/23 - 6:17 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a personal injury accident at the intersection of 23rd Street and Avenue D.

04/06/23 - 8:15 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Robert Lee Dunn, 33, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 33rd Street and Avenue G, on a warrant for driving while barred. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/07/23 - 12:56 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 400 block of Avenue H.

04/07/23 - 7:48 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Buck Aaron Bruner, 36, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of 20th Street and Avenue L, on a warrant for 2nd degree theft greater than \$1,500 and less than \$10,000. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/08/23 - 6:08 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1000 block of Avenue H.

04/08/23 - 1:34 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a hit & run in the 2100 block of Avenue G.

04/09/23 - 4:04 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2700 block of Avenue N.

04/09/23 - 4:16 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle at the intersection of 28th Street and Avenue O.

04/09/23 - 8:54 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2200 block of Avenue E.

04/10/23 - 12:00 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Jayme Thomasa Jenkins, 36, of Fort Madison, in the 2200 block of Avenue F, on warrant for harboring a runaway against parent. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/10/23 - 2:38 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1200 block of Avenue G.

04/10/23 - 5:10 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 4500 block of Avenue O.

04/11/23 - 3:28 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident at the intersection of 17th Street and Avenue H.

04/11/23 - 4:17 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1500 block of Avenue E.

04/11/23 - 11:06 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2300 block of Avenue J.

04/12/23 - 5:14 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 700

block of Avenue G.

04/12/23 - 8:46 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 4800 block of Avenue O.

04/12/23 - 6:22 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 2600 block of Avenue A.

04/12/23 - 9:06 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 3400 block of Avenue L.

Lee County Sheriff Report

04/07/23 - 12:29 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a single-vehicle accident in the 3200 block of Hwy. 61. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Darren Lee Brickhan was traveling southbound in the 3200 block of Hwy. 61 when it struck a chunk of concrete in the roadway, disabling his vehicle. No injuries or citations were reported. Brickhan's vehicle was towed from the scene.

04/08/23 - 9:30 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Pele Oscar Wise, 44, of Indiana, at the sheriff's office, on a charge of simple assault. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/09/23 - 5:32 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies cited and released Jared Kyhl Brisby, 23, of Montrose, in the 1100 block of 255th Street, Farmington, on a charge of interference with official acts - bodily injury.

04/09/23 - 5:35 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of 180th Street and Hwy. 218 N. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Richard Paul Steffensmeier, 94, of Donnellson, was turning left onto Hwy. 218 N. from 180th Street and did not see a vehicle driven by Christopher James Arnold, 34, of Ottumwa. Steffensmeier tried to change lanes to avoid other vehicles on the roadway, forcing Arnold off the road where it struck a reflector. No injuries or citations were reported. Steffensmeier was ordered to re-exam. Arnold's vehicle sustained minor damages; Steffensmeier's vehicle did not sustain damages; both vehicles were driven from the scene.

04/10/23 - 5:47 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a single-vehicle accident on Hwy. 16 E. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Harry W. Miller, 68, of Kahoka, was traveling eastbound on Hwy. 16 when it attempted to pass a tractor in a no-passing zone. The tractor was attempting to turn into a ditch, causing Miller to swerve off the roadway, colliding with the ditch. No injuries or citations were reported. Miller's vehicle sustained disabling damages and was towed from the scene.

04/10/23 - 6:36 p.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Madeline Marie Neff, 23, of Cedar Rapids, at the North Lee County Courthouse, on a warrant for failure to appear/contempt of court. She was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/11/23 - 10:54 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Trenton John Atterberg, 27, listed as homeless living in Keokuk, on warrants for drug trafficking - 5GM-100KG methamphetamine and drug tax stamp violations. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

04/12/23 - 9:15 a.m. - Lee County sheriff deputies arrested Michael Tobias Cagle, Jr., 22, of Keokuk, at the sheriff's office, on 2 judgment hold warrants. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

Hancock County Sheriff Report

March 3, 2023 - GITTINGS, LANCE R (39 of LaHarpe, IL) Violation of Order of Protection, Criminal Damage to Property

March 7, 2023 - MCCARTY, RENNY J (32 of Stockport, IA) Operate Uninsured Vehicle

March 8, 2023 - HARDY, JASON S (40 of Basco, IL) Violation of Order of Protection

March 8, 2023 - MALONEY, THOMAS D (32 of St. Louis, MO) Failure to Yield to Authorized Emergency Vehicle

March 8, 2023 - BUNDY, PEYTON B (16 of LaHarpe, IL) School Bus Stop Arm Violation

March 9, 2023 - DONALDSON, JEREMIAH R (43 of Carthage, IL) Driving While License Revoked, Driving While Under the Influence, Speeding

March 10, 2023 - RICHARDS, MARY C (21 of Nauvoo, IL) Disobey Stop Sign, Driving While Under the Influence

March 13, 2023 - FINK, JASON E (39 of Carthage, IL) Hancock County Warrant

March 16, 2023 - JONES, SHANNON M (LI of Nauvoo, IL) Body Attachment

March 17, 2023 - BURCH, TERRY E (63 of West Point, IL) Possession of Firearm w/Invalid FOID

March 18, 2023 - DODGE, THOMAS C (56 of Keokuk, IA) Speeding, Fleeing/Eluding

March 19, 2023 - NAGEL, NICHOLAS L (23 of St. Louis, MO) Speeding, Driving While Under the Influence

March 20, 2023 - MORGAN, WHITNEY C (35 of Donnellson, IA) Hancock County Warrant

March 24, 2023 - SCHNEIDER, AUSTIN (19 of Quincy, IL) Hancock County Warrant

March 27, 2023 - WESTCOTT, MICHAEL J (41 of Fort-Madison, IA) Hancock County Warrant

March 28, 2023 - ENGLAND, J OHN L (47 of Keokuk, IA) Henderson County Warrant

March 28, 2023 - BROWN, WYATT J (25 of Basco, IL) Improper Use of Registration, Operate Uninsured Vehicle

March 29, 2023 - EVANS, KRISTI K (46 of Niota, IL) Body Attachment

March 29, 2023 - EVANS, GREGORY R (49 of Niota, IL) Body Attachment

March 31, 2023 - BURCH, TERRY E (63 of West Point, IL) Violation of Order of Protection

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

04/10/23 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls, one trash fire alarm and one odor investigation.

04/11/23 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two burn permits, six medical calls, and an electrical short.

04/12/23 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to three medical, one oil spill, one burn complaint.

Those listed above are arrested on suspicion of a charge and are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Shelter could be enclosed before the winter

PURSES - Continued from Page 1

night, but men show up and we're good with that," Brown said.

Designer purses are valued at up to \$400 with the Shelter purchasing the clutches for the event. But Brown said anyone wanting to donate purses can do so by contacting the shelter at 319-372-2274. Brands including Kate Spade, Micheal Kors and Coach will be up for prizes.

"We have some funky other ones, but when you win you get to choose your purse off the table," Brown said.

All the funds raised at the event will go the new shelter construction. The project is currently underway with steel framing being constructed with Shickedanz Construction doing the build.

Brown said she hopes to have the project enclosed by the fall so that the "Box Cars" which are the large interior dog runs, can be completed to allow all the dogs to be inside during the winter.

"Some people were telling me that's going to be nice for the staff, and I said "Oh yeah, them too," Brown said with a laugh.

Brown is encouraging people to get their tickets today before the price goes up at the door.

"We really want to encourage people to come out and enjoy this. It's a huge fundraiser for us and a lot of fun," Brown said.

"Citizens of this town who support us are very excited. It's not just a big deal for PAW, but a big deal for Fort Madison and the county."

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Sports

Lady Hounds 4th, Lady Hawks 6th at Lamb Relays



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The Bloodhounds' Rylee Steffensmeier races to the line in the 2nd heat of the 200-meter dash Tuesday at the Timm Lamb Pen City Relays.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Avery Rump passes Mt. Pleasant's Aliya Graber on the 3rd turn of the final leg of the Distance Medley Relay Tuesday in Fort Madison.



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

The Lady Hawks' Aubrey Weber winds up in the discus at Fort Madison High School Tuesday at the Timm Lamb Pen City Relays.

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Eschman leads Central Lee at Trojan Relays

PACKARD WINS: Cole Packard takes title in the 400-meters for FMHS

PCC Staff

FAIRFIELD – The Fort Madison Bloodhounds got a first-place finish from Cole Packard in the 400-meter dash and Central Lee got a strong sprint performance from Tommy Eschman at Tuesday's Trojan Relays in Fairfield.

Packard got his first individual gold of the season with a quick 53.14 in the 400-meter dash setting the pace for the Hounds.

Eschman took 2nd in the 100-meter and 200 meter, as well as 2nd in the long jump to lead the Hawks. Eschman's 11.61 in the 100-meter tied Fort Madison's Julian Dear for the second fastest time of the day. The Hounds' Dayton Lamar was 4th with a 11.70.

Eschman raced to a 24.02 in the 200-meter dash. The Hawks' Grant Myhre was right behind at 24.26 good enough for third. Fort Madison's Kiawante Smith was fifth at 25.05.

Fort Madison again did well in the sprint relays. The 4x100 team of Adam Sobczak, Lamar, Tate Settles and

Dear was 2nd at 44.71. The Hawks fielded Eschman, Myhre, Brayden Wyrick, and Keagan Damico and finished 5th at 47.34.

In the 4x200, Fort Madison again finished second fielding Settles, Hayden Segoviano, Fullenkamp and Lamar for a 1:35.57, while the Sprint Medley team of Settles, Segoviano, Fullenkamp and Nolan Guzman took 4th with a 1:43.84.

The Hounds shuttle hurdle relay team had another good day with Henry Wiseman, Smith, Sobczak, and Segoviano 1:06.80 for 2nd place.

Lamar and Damico tied for 2nd in the high jump with leaps of 5-10 each in the field events.

Fort Madison's Ike Thacher finished 4th in the shot put with a throw of 41-2.

Fort Madison took 5th overall with 78 points, while Central Lee was 7th as a team with 66 points.

Complete results from the Trojan Relays (Top five positions are in parenthesis)

100-meter: FM – Julian Dear 11.61 (2nd), Dayton Lamar 11.70 (4th). Central Lee - Tommy Eschman 11.61 (2nd), Brayden Wyrick (12.65).

200-meter: FM – Kiawante Smith 25.05 (5th), Cade Packard 25.10. Central Lee – Eschman 24.02 (2nd), Grant Myhre 24.26 (3rd).

400-meter: FM – Cole Packard 53.14 (1st), Dane Butler 58.48 (5th). Central Lee – Myhre 54.08 (3rd), Riley Salter 1:00.45.

800-meter: FM – no entry. Central Lee – Noah Gerber 2:53.10,

Anthony Galati 2:54.00.

1600-meter: FM – Cameron Shutwell 5:27.66. Central Lee – Grant Anderson 5:29.38, Will Hayes 5:54.23.

3200-meter: FM – Shutwell 12:08.36. Central Lee – Anderson 11:26.80 (4th), Ward Fraise 12:02.41.

110 hurdles: FM – Henry Wiseman 17.58 (5th). Central Lee – no entry.

400-hurdles: FM – no entry. Central Lee – Kegan Damico 1:01.96, Ethan Bergman 1:07.24.

4x100 relay: FM – Sobczak, Lamar, Tate Settles and Dear 44.71 (2nd). Central Lee – Eschman, Myhre, Wyrick, Damico 47.34 (5th)

4x200 relay: FM – Settles, Hayden Segoviano, Nick Fullenkamp, Lamar 1:35.57 (2nd). Central Lee – Brendan Mulligan, Kain Arrowood, Will Ferris and Cody Kitzman 1:50.27.

4x400 relay: FM – no entry. Central Lee – Riley Salter, Shane Barnhardt, Mulligan and Cody Kitzman 4:27.00.

4x800 relay: FM – no entry. Central Lee – no entry.

Sprint Medley: FM – Settles, Segoviano, Fullenkamp and Nolan Guzman. 1:43.84 (4th). Central Lee – Wyrick, Arrowood, Ferris, Bergman 1:50.96.

Distance Medley: FM – no entry. Central Lee – Arrowood, Damico, Hayes, Fraise 4:39.62.

Shuttle Hurdle relay: FM – Wiseman, Smith, Sobczak, Segoviano 1:06.80 (2nd). Central Lee – no entry.

High Jump: FM – Lamar 5-10 (2nd). Central Lee – Damico 5-10 (3rd)

Long Jump: FM – no entry. Central Lee- Eschman 21-1.75 (2nd), Wyrick 18-5.75.

Shot put: FM – Thacher 41-2 (4th). Central Lee – Brody Fuller 36-10, Owen Krogmeier 27-8.5.

Discus: FM – no entry. Central Lee – Fuller 99-4, Krogmeier 82-2.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
MINUTES
KEOKUK CITY
COUNCIL MEETING
March 16, 2023
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on March 16, 2023 at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were seven council members present, two absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Roslyn Garcia

(entered meeting at 5:38 p.m.), Shelley Oltmans, Steve Andrews, Dan Tillman, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Linda Altheide, and John Helenthal were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Sewer Department Manager Michael Clark, Chief of Police Zeth Baum, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, and Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Updated on area events and new businesses in Keokuk.
CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Dustin Cackley informed of various local upcoming events related to veterans. Marty Fox expressed concerns regarding the city taking on the 600 block buildings.
Dorothy Cackley in-

quired about the income and expenses of the Southeast Iowa Development Center and voiced concern over the city taking on the 600 block buildings.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Crenshaw to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (7) A YES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting & Council Workshop of March 3, 2023;

- Minutes of the Civil Service Commission of March 4, 2023;

- Certified Police List from March 4, 2023 Testing;

- Police Department Captains Certified List;

- Police Department Sergeant Certified List;

- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for February 2023;

- RESOLUTION NO. 200-2023: Approving a Liquor License for Hy-Vee Fast and Fresh, 3001 Main Street, effective March 17, 2023 - Class B

Retail Alcohol License;

- RESOLUTION NO. 201-2023: Approving a Liquor License for Angelini's, 1006 Main Street, effective April 1, 2023 - Class C Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service;

- RESOLUTION NO. 202-2023: Approving a Liquor License for B.P.O. Elks, Keokuk Lodge #106, 2200 Lincoln Ave, effective April 1, 2023 - Class F Retail Alcohol License (pending dram and fire inspection);

- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No. 's 5328-5330;

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve the initial reading of an Ordinance amending code section 9.08.010 Iowa Code Adopted by reference to facilitate the enforcement of traffic laws in the City of Keokuk.

Roll Call Vote: AYES - Crenshaw, Garcia, Oltmans, Andrews, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald.

NAYS - None. (7) A YES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Oltmans to approve the following

proposed RESOLUTION NO. 203-2023: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT." (7) A YES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 204-2023: "A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 PROPERTY TAX LEVY." (7) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Oltmans to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 205-2023: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY." (7) A YES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 206-2023: "A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE \$4,995,000* (DOLLAR AMOUNT SUBJECT TO CHANGE) GENERAL OBLIGATION

CAPITAL LOAN NOTES, SERIES 2023D; AND APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A NOTE PURCHASE AGREEMENT." (7) A YES, (0) NAYS.

Motion carried.
BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: First notification of Robert Cannon to the Building & Housing Advisory Board-fulfilling a 3-year term to expire 9/19/2025.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Crenshaw to approve the resignation of Michael Greenslaugh from the Union Depot Commission. (7) A YES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS: Broomhall updated on vacant property registry; Carroll reported on public works; Baum informed 2 conditional employment offers were made; O'Donnell requested to add an item to agenda for 3/18/2023 meeting.

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From the Front

Boudreau takes over after 3 years in assistant role

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as a lifestyle, a place they want to be because they want the same pride they have in this area to be felt by everybody else, that is so important to me.”

The Leathernecks are coming off back-to-back 16-win seasons, the program’s best run since 2012-13.

“When I took this (in 2020), I got just as many texts as I got now, saying, ‘What are you doing?’ Boudreau said. “I said, ‘It’s home. I’m proud of where I’m from.’ And I think I’ve articulated that. I’m very proud of where I’m from. And because of that, that’s going to boil over to who I am as a head coach. I want to represent the Tri-State area. I want to win. I want to bring excitement. I want people in Macomb to be excited. I want everyone around us to be excited.”

The Leathernecks lost guard Trenton Massner, a first-team All-Summit League selection, but return starters Jesiah West and Quinlan Bennett along with key reserve K.J. Lee.

“I know a couple of them had opportunities to transfer, and still have opportunities to transfer, but they’re not going to,” Boudreau said. “The reason is, we are family.”

That kind of relationship, Bubb said, is important.

“I do believe the chemistry, the relationships he has with the players, that does exist, and he’s looking forward to keeping that moving forward,” Bubb said.

Boudreau was head coach at Highland College in Freeport, Illinois before joining the Leathernecks. He led the Cougars to three consecutive Arrowhead Conference titles, with undefeated conference records in 2019 and 2020. He earned Arrowhead Conference Coach of the Year honors all three seasons and was named NJCAA Region IV Coach of the Year in 2018 and 2020.

Boudreau was an assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee under Jeter from 2005-2016. Boudreau assisted Milwaukee to Horizon League championships in



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Farmington native Chad Boudreau has been named the Head Coach of the Western Illinois University Leathernecks’ men’s basketball program at a press conference today.

2006, 2011, and 2014, and the Panthers qualified for six postseason tournaments during the 11 years. Before that, Boudreau was the lead assistant at Indian Hills Community College from 1999-2005.

Boudreau graduated from Hannibal-LaGrange College with a bachelor’s degree in education in 1995 and from Southwest Baptist University with a master’s degree in education in 1999.

Boudreau was a member of Harmony’s 1991 boys

basketball team that reached the state tournament. He remembered having a chance to move to Quincy, Ill., when he was a sophomore to play there.

“I wanted to go the state tournament at Harmony High School, because it had never been done,” he said. “My senior year, we took a team to the state tournament. And it was amazing. Nobody expected us to do it. I expected us to do that then, I expect us to do that now.

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