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CITY NEWS

Kiddie Parade has a new starting point

Submitted article

FORT MADISON - The organizing committee announced this week that a major change will take place for the 111th annual Charlie Korschgen Fourth of July Kiddie Parade. Since Mark Roloff, FM chief of Police, expressed concerns about the parade crossing 18th and 15th street per the parade permit, he recommended to the committee that the registration be held at west entrance to Lincoln School on 14th and proceed to Avenue G and go east to Moose Parking Lot.

For over 50 years the parade began on 18th & Avenue G and before that 24th & Avenue G with no problems but citing the City insurance policy the committee accepted the change.

Grand Marshals for this year's parade will be Jim & Sheryl Decker who have been active in the Old Settlers Park activities and supported youth programs for many years.

As always the parade will be youth oriented, however many area organizations, industries and businesses are encouraged to take part in the historic event to not only celebrate the 111th year but the birth of our nation.

The Parade

The parade will begin at 10 p.m. on Tuesday July 4 along 14th street and proceed east up Avenue G to the Loyal Order of Moose Parking Lot in the 600 block of Avenue G. Pre-registration is not required, however, forms may be picked up at the North Lee County Historical Society Museum at 814 10th street and be turned in at the registration desk the morning of the parade.

Registration will open at 8:30 a.m. and entries will be lined up in the various categories. For those parents having small children who are not able to participate the full length of the parade they should register and then meet in the 900 block of Avenue

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Courtesy photo

Officials with Great River Health System, the city of Fort Madison, Lee County, and the community joined in a ribbon-cutting at the PORT Rodeo Connector trail Wednesday evening.

RIBBON-CUTTING: Officials gather to dedicate Rodeo Connector Trail

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG

PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Officials took time Wednesday afternoon to officially christen the Rodeo Connector Trail just south of the Rodeo Arena.

Great River Health Systems officials, including CEO Dr. Mike McCoy, espoused the partnerships in health and how important Fort Madison's PORT trail efforts are to the health of area residents.

McCoy was joined by Fort Madison city officials, Tri-State Rodeo officials, and the community cutting the ribbon on the trail connector.

The trail was completed with funding from a Community Hospital Foundation underwritten by Great River Health and the former Fort Madison Community Hospital.

The foundation gave funds to complete the trail from 18th Street and B east to 15th Street and north up Rodeo Hill to the arena.

Angie Budnik, the chairperson for the Promote Outdoor Recreational Trails (PORT) committee, said officially designating the Rodeo connector is just another exciting part of an ever-growing project.

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HEALTH NEWS

LCHD reminds travelers to protect health before departing

LEE COUNTY - As many prepare for summer and other upcoming holiday travel, Lee County Health Department and the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services remind Iowans to make sure they are up to date on routine vaccinations, as well as any other recommended or required vaccines for specific

international destinations.

"While going on vacation is exciting, taking the right steps to protect your health before you take off should be a priority," said Amy Hayes, LCHD Immunization Nurse. "This includes making an appointment to visit with your healthcare provider prior to leaving, especially when

plans call for travel outside of the United States, which increases your chances of getting and spreading diseases that do not routinely occur in the U.S."

Routine vaccinations and boosters prevent infectious diseases that can spread

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OBITUARIES

LEIGH A. GREGORY

Leigh Ann Gregory, aged 64, passed away on June 16, 2023, in Vernon Hills, IL, following a valiant battle with cancer spanning over two decades. Born on July 1, 1958, in Fairfield, IA, she was the beloved daughter of the late I. N. and Joan Mealey. Leigh Ann enjoyed a long and accomplished career at Lundbeck Pharmaceutical in Deerfield.



GREGORY

Her fondest moments were spent in the company of her cherished family and friends, particularly during their unforgettable trips to Las Vegas and Black Hawk, CO. With an astute eye for finding bargains, she found immense joy in the pursuit of shopping. One of the highlights of Leigh Ann's life was her journey to Ireland alongside her beloved husband, Curt, where she marveled at the wonders of the world as a small-town girl.

Leigh Ann's infectious joy radiated to all those around her, making her a constant source of happiness. Her absence will leave a void in the lives of many who had the privilege of knowing her. She will be profoundly missed, her memory forever treasured.

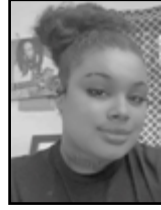
Leigh Ann is survived by her loving husband Curt of 38 years; her cherished sister Mary J (James) Yonker; and her dearest nephews Scott and Todd Finch and Blake Mealey. She is preceded in death by her parents and her brother Michael J Mealey.

A visitation will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory. The memorial service will immediately follow at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Bruce Goettsche officiating. Burial will be at Oakland Cemetery in Fort Madison. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org, would be greatly appreciated. Online condolences to the Gregory family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.king-lynk.com.

OBITUARIES

PORJE S. SANGSTER

Porje Syemone Evaun Sangster, 20, of Keokuk, IA died Friday, June 9, 2023. She was born March 17, 2003 in Keokuk, IA the daughter of Kia T. Sangster and Joshua A. Thompson. Porje graduated from Keokuk High School.



SANGSTER

She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Keokuk. Porje loved to do anything with crafts, go shopping, eating, swimming and listening to music. She had an outgoing personality and enjoyed socializing with her friends. She had a heart for caring for others and helping those in need. Porje was very creative and wrote poetry and enjoyed photography. Her dream was to become a writer or photographer.

She is survived by her mother, Kia Sangster of Keokuk, her father, Joshua Thompson of Macomb, IL, her biological mother, Natasha Kimble of Milwaukee, WI, three brothers, Pyrria, Perris and Perrion Sangster all of Milwaukee, WI and three sisters, Jamie, Jennifer, Treyonna Sangster all of Keokuk. She is also survived by her grandmothers, Shirley Sangster and Sharon Sangster both of Keokuk and Vickey Dickey of Macomb, IL, her grandfather, James E. Clark of Keokuk, aunts and uncles Tom Sangster, Jr. (Doreanea) of Keokuk and Stephanie and Todd Dohrn of Keokuk and fifteen cousins.

She was preceded in death by her biological father, George Kimble, one grandfather, Thomas E. Sangster and one uncle, Gary Sprague.

A funeral service will be held at 12 noon, July 1, 2023 at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with Pastor John Heath officiating.

Visitation will be held prior to the service from 10-12 noon, July 1, 2023 at the funeral home with family meeting with friends at that time.

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

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JANET HOLTERHAUS DITZMAN

Janet Holterhaus Ditzman, 69, of Burlington, formerly West Point, died Monday, June 19, 2023 at the Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice House, West Burlington.

She was born September 14, 1953 at Ft. Madison Sacred Heart Hospital to Raymond Donald and Goldie Belle Anderson McGregor. She married Warren Blint; they later divorced. She was then married to Edwin H. Menke and Larry J. Holterhaus who both preceded her in death.



DITZMAN

On June 28, 2021 she married Ken Ditzman who survives.

Janet was a 1971 graduate of Ft. Madison High School and worked thirty years for Sheaffer Pen Co. She loved working with her hands doing crocheting, quilting, crafting, and card making; fishing, gardening, yard work, doing things with her kids, and baking cookies with her sister.

She was a member of Harmony Bible Church and was very active working in the HBC prison ministry in Mt. Pleasant, and loved working with the children's Christian Bible Study. She and her husband, Ken, were leaders of a Grief Share group and she was a member of the Optimist Club serving as President and Chairman at the district level.

Survivors include her husband, Ken and grandson Hayden William Ditzman who lived with them in Burlington; one daughter Lori (Mike) Hasenclever of Ft. Madison; one son Michael W. Blint of West Point; five step-daughters; Sandra Houk of Soddy-Daisy Tennessee, Lisa Wingler of Wayne, Michigan, Jessica Brinkman of Dyersville, Dartania Ditzman of Burlington, and Erica Ditzman of Ottumwa; three stepsons; Jon Ditzman of Osco, Illinois, Stephen Ditzman of Bettendorf, and Thaddeus Ditzman of Burlington; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; nineteen step-grandchildren; and one step-great-grandchild; five brothers; David (Charlotte) of New London, Marvin of West Point, Dennis (Cathy) of West Point, Carl (Mary) of Lake Villa, Illinois, and Donald of Burlington; one sister Sandra M. (Bill) Klesner of West Point; nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two husbands; one brother Michael McGregor; one grandson Jacob Michael Hasenclever; and one sister-in-law Janet McGregor.

Funeral services for Mrs. Ditzman will be held at 11:00 am Saturday, June 24, 2023 at Harmony Bible Church, Danville, with Pastor Chris Carr officiating. Burial will be held at Fairview Cemetery, rural Ft. Madison following the service. Visitation with the family will be from 9:00 until 11:00 Saturday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Harmony Bible Church Missions or Southeast Iowa Regional Hospice House. Elliott Chapel, New London, is assisting the family with arrangements and online condolences may be left at www.elliottfuneral-chapel.com.

OBITUARIES

RICHARD J. KROUSE

Richard Joe Krouse, 73, of Farmington, Iowa, passed away at 4:27 a.m. Monday, June 19, 2023, at Van Buren County Hospital in Keosauqua, Iowa.

Born on January 21, 1950, in Cantril, Iowa, the son of Roy Joseph and Vera Naomi (Cole) Krouse. On May 31, 1970, in Mount Sterling, Iowa he married Susan Cochran.

He is survived by his wife: Susan; children: Rowdy (Amanda) Krouse, Adam (Gena) Krouse and Jennifer (Justin) Phillips; grandchildren: Seth, LyRick, Lucan, Natalie, Lydia, Clayton, Owen and Jakson; sister: Ann Mercer; brothers: Jim (Shirley) Krouse, Donald (Rachel) Krouse and Junior Krouse. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; grandson: Landon; brother: Jack; sister-in-law: Beverly Krouse and brother-in-law: George Mercer.



Joe was a graduate of Wyaconda High School. He was a United States Army veteran during the Vietnam Era. Joe was a member of the Union Local #125 where he retired from as a pipefitter and welder. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding his side by side, gardening and fast pitch softball. Joe especially enjoyed being with his family.

His body has been entrusted to the crematory of Schmitz Funeral Home for cremation.

Services will be held at a later date. A memorial has been established in his memory and can be mailed to the family at 502 Maiden Lane, Farmington, Iowa 52626.

On-line condolences may be made to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com. Schmitz Funeral Home of Farmington is assisting the family with arrangements.

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From the Front

Korschgen Kiddie Parade has colorful history

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G in front of the Aldi Market and parade officials will see they get placed in the proper spot in the parade.

Judged categories for this year's parade will include: decorated tri-cycle or stroller; decorated wagon or float; walking or marching group; junior decorated bicycle (age 8 and under); pets; humorous; family unit; patriotic; senior decorated bicycle (over age 8) and a motorized category for the larger units.

The committee has also purchased commemorative ribbons for each parade participant and trophies as well as prize money will be given to the winners of each category. The prize money for this parade is \$15.00 for 1st Place, \$12.00 for 2nd place and \$10.00 for third place. Several \$5.00 honorable mention prizes will also be awarded.

At the end of the parade, members of the local Moose Club, will be serving treats to all the participants as they have done since 1946 and as the prize winners are being announced items donated

ed by area merchants will be given away to the parade participants. During the last few parades many area businesses have given gift certificates, toys, bicycles, etc. so every child that participates will get more than just being patriotic. Items for this year's parade and raffle may still be left off at the local Moose Lodge or the North Lee County Historical Society Museum.

History

The parade got its beginnings back in 1913 when a young AT&SF car department clerk, Charles C. Korschgen, saw his neighborhood kids had nothing to do on the 4th of July, so he purchased a dozen small flags strapped his snare drum around his neck and led them many times around block in the west end of Fort Madison.

Having started a tradition, Charlie continued this routine for many years, gradually increasing the parade route and buying the participants candy with his own money. Finally by the time the 1930's rolled around the participation had grown so that Charlie got help from fellow workers at the AT&SF and neighbors to assist with the treats

and the parade. By this time the "east enders" had noticed the importance of the parade and invited Charlie to lead his band of patriots into the Fort Madison downtown district. One loyal youngster who took part in the first parade, Don Valentine, stayed with the parade until Charlie passed away in January 1966 after leading 53 parades. Don Valentine helped the Fort Madison Jaycees keep the tradition alive.

By the 1940's, Charlie was having 500 to 1,000 kids take part in the parade and by 1946, when the Loyal Order of the Moose started providing treats the "grand old-man" as Charlie was called just had to organize the parade. With age catching up with Charlie the Fort Madison Junior Chamber of Commerce volunteered to take over the organization of the parade and continued to do so until the local Jaycee Chapter disbanded in 1999 and since that time a small dedicated group of volunteers have kept the parade going and in 2008 incorporated as a non-profit corporation.

Everyone young and old is invited to take part in the parade to celebrate our nation's birthday, however, the committee reserves the right to refuse entries not in the spirit of the holiday or would create a safety hazard to those participating in the parade.

Those having any questions on the parade or if interested in volunteering to assist the committee to keep the parade safe and on time, contact L. D. "Andy" Andrews at 319-371-5379.

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MYTH #1: Sciatica (pain down your leg) is always caused by a herniated disc!

No way...even though most doctors will sell you a \$3,000 MRI at the first sign of leg pain. But they don't tell you about a 5-inch muscle in the hip that can squeeze the sciatic nerve. And it feels EXACTLY like you've got the worst slipped disc on earth. It's a major discovery and...



The good news is that it can be easy and inexpensive to correct! How? Just keep reading! But first, here's a picture to show you where the pain comes from:

MYTH #2: Stiffness from Arthritis means you're getting old...and it must be the reason for all your pain and stiffness!

Not true, because thousands of folks with arthritis in their backs have absolutely NO PAIN! Then why do YOU feel like your back will snap if you bend forward or twist too fast? Because the truth is:

Your stiffness may be caused by a hidden, even more dangerous problem than arthritis, and it can lead to a hip replacement!

You see, most folks believe that something mysterious (like maybe an "arthritis fairy?") waved a wand over them, and they're cursed... doomed to suffer forever.

But did you know that many arthritis problems are CAUSED by a combination of unseen imbalances in the spine and surrounding muscles? It's the most common cause of hip replacements but not that hard to correct if we catch it in time. It's like the tires on your car...

If the alignment is off just a teeny-weeny bit, at first you don't notice, but over a few thousand miles you start to see signs of wear...that is, if you're lucky enough to catch it before a flat on the freeway ruins your day. In your spine, you're lucky if you catch untreated imbalances before they ruin your spine! How to fix them? Just look at Myth #3.

MYTH #3: Your Back is "Out"!

Sure, that's exactly how it feels. But guess what, we found that's usually not the case. It sounds good, but we now know better. You see, there are 7 different reasons for that painful, locked-up and stuck feeling that causes so much misery:

- low-grade spasm
- pelvis torque and tension
- imbalance of hips

- fallen or dropped arches
- stiff vertebra joint
- adhesions in leg muscle
- pinched nerve

It's NOT just your spine, and it's NOT just your muscles. As a matter of fact, if one of the major muscles that stabilize the spine is partly spasmed, a "2nd stringer" will have to carry the load. But this is a serious problem...

It's like having your plumber doing all the dangerous electrical work!

Sure, he may get it done, and it may work at first, but how long until there's a fire? Or your back locks up? Which leads me to our next myth:

MYTH #4: "It's Only a Muscle!"

Boy, it's scary how many people think muscle problems are no big deal. Unfortunately, tight, bound-up, and spasmed or tight muscles can wear out joints faster than you can say, "Charley Horse!"

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MYTH #5: "Muscle Relaxants" will help your muscles heal! Good grief, NO!

Your muscles tighten up for a reason, and muscle relaxants are like turning back the clock on a time bomb...you know it's still going to blow up! Sure, you may feel better now, but you'll pay later...and pay "in spades"! So don't fall for these lies about your low back. They'll keep you hurting, frustrated and exhausted forever!

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Sports/Education News

AREA SOFTBALL

Wapello ends Holy Trinity's five-game win streak

WEST POINT — Brooke Mueller's three-run home run to left field put some life into the Holy Trinity dugout.

It also brought Wapello pitcher Ada Boysen into the game.

Boysen kept the Crusaders' offense silent after that, as Wapello took a 10-4 win to snap Holy Trinity's five-game winning streak.

Livia Fuller started the game for the Arrows (18-8), and Holy Trinity coach Loren Menke was hoping his team, which had scored 65 runs in its winning streak, could get an early start.

Instead, the Arrows scored seven runs in the first three innings on 10 hits — two of those were triples by Boysen, who started the game at first base — and took control of the game.

"We got off to a bad start," Menke said. "I don't think we did anything wrong. We've been playing good defense, which has been huge for us. They hit the ball well in those first couple of innings and we got in a hole, and you just can't get in a hole against a team like that with a pitcher like that (Boysen) just sitting out there ready to come in."

Mueller's home run forced the Arrows to make a change at pitcher. In came Boysen, who came into the game with 184 strikeouts in 91 2/3 innings. She would strike out nine Crusaders over the final 4 2/3 innings.

"If we would have had a little time to prepare for a fast pitcher like that, it would have helped," Menke said. "We haven't had a practice in a week and

a half, two weeks, other than a little practice before a game. I think we've played at least eight straight games, nine straight, without getting some time to work.

"With a pitcher like that, it's all about timing. You don't see that kind of a pitcher very often.

The Arrows added a single run in the fifth inning and two runs in the sixth to finish their scoring.

Holy Trinity (9-10) did get to Boysen in the seventh inning. Emmalyn Snaadt singled to open the inning, then scored when Mary Hellige's two-out single to right field skipped past Wapello's Mya Wagner.

Hellige had a three-hit night. Mueller had two hits, as did

Rachel Menke.

It was the final regular-season home game for the Crusaders, who play Van Buren and Lone Tree on the road to close the regular season before heading into the Class 1A regional tournament.

"We've won five in a row, and I feel pretty good about this team," Menke said. "We want to win them, of course.

Van Buren is tough — the last three games with them have been one-run games — and we've never beaten Lone Tree. So we just have to be ready to play.

"I think probably overall, the defense has been the biggest thing in this winning streak. If we can count on defense, and we can get some timely hitting, we can get in the tournament and win a

Central Lee releases 2nd semester honor rolls

PCC Staff

DONNELSON - The following is the 2nd semester honor roll for Central Lee High School. Pen City Current and our family of advertisers congratulates the following students on their hard work and academic achievements.

Principal Scholar

12th Grade – Grant Anderson, Emily Barnhardt, Emma Bell, Adyson Brumble, Alix Congdon, Tom Eschman, Paisley Grafton, Josh Hawk, Jacob Hohl, Macy Hupp, Mya Lampe, Makayla Morrison, Karlie Pohren, Maren Robbins

11th Grade – Sydney Graber, Zach Manwill, Dante Merschman, Josie Mueller, Josie Newton

10th Grade – Lara Canida, Maren Doty, Sydney Gram, Jalyn Hawk, Chase Johnson, Owen Krogmeier, Madison McGlasson, Kodi Moeller, Lauren Sanders, Drake Weber

9th Grade – Addison Conlee, Taylor Jones, Jayden Mueller, Addison Newberry, Eliza Robbins, Kenna Sandoval, Emma Seitz, Peter Seyb, Lily Smith, Audrey Sturdivant

A Honor Roll

12th Grade – Shane Barnhardt, Keating Fuger, Audrey Hand, Everlee Harvey, Samantha Herrick, Maya Kearns, Elaina Lozano, Sarah Martin, Karissa Moeller, James Morgan, Ryan Roberts, Abby Simmons, Payton Stevens, Gannon Wells

11th Grade – Aubree Boyd, Shanna Buford, Landon Crank, Hunter Gregory, Sidney Gruntmeir, MaKayla Howard, Brooklyn Jones, Cory Jones, Mercedes Kirchner, Ayden Krehbiel, Millie Larson, Landan Lowenberg

10th Grade – Kate Azinger, Kayden Calfee, Cale Clark, Alivia Cook, Kamryn Cox, Kylie Fortune, Jaci-

ann Hawk, Gavin Hayes, Reece Hayes, Evelyn Hieatt, Abby Kempker, Ellie Lake, Halle Lampe, Kayleigh Larkin, Sydnie Larson, Torrence Lovell, Carlee Pezley, Adelyn Robinson, Lillian Rozario, Chadie Rudd, Zoey Simmons, Brandon Suminski, Andrew Underwood

9th Grade – Kain Arrowood, Beau Boyd, Charlee Clay, Aurora Edens, Riley Gregory, Abby Hand, Will Hayes, Frankie Jenkins, Caleb Larson, Mylan Lowenberg, Mackinzie Manwill, Gabriella Maynes, Gavin Miller, Avery Peterson, Juliet Prainito, Owen Swan, Colton Taft, Aubrey Weber, Marie Young

B Honor Roll

12th Grade – Brett Azinger, Blake Bergman, Ethan Burkholder, Kylie Davidson, Trevor Edwards, James Hemingsen, Adison Holland, Allison Kerr, Mallory Kerr, Bethany Peck, Corbin Pohren, Ashton Robinson, Ashlyn Rodgers, Bailey Schwartz, Nevaeha Stice, Jordan Vorwaldt, Carly Waldorf, Jacob Young


11th Grade – Braeden Barlow, John Byrn, Bella Graham-Thomas, Taylor Griffin, Kirsten Hayes, Jacob Hemingsen, Shalida Mortimer, Brendan Mulligan, Grant Myhre, Riley Stuecker, Daniel Vallepu, Chloe Vinson, Xena Walker

10th Grade – Ethan Bergman, Connor Bollin, Aidan Derr, Anthony Galati, Bo Herdrich, Albert Kruse, Ian McDonald, Isabella Rooney, Reegyn Scott, Abby Snook, Lexi Stidham, Leo Thomas, Kennedy Wellman, Lucas Wenke, Brayden Wyrick

9th Grade – Lillyan Azbill, Addysin Boatwright, Kristianna Boyer, Aunika Bruns-King, Madelyn Derr, Ward Fraise, Layla Gonterman, Gracie Howard, Anabella James, Izabella James, Cody Kitzman, Ian Martin, MaKayla Mertens, Brody Moeller, Nathan Newberry, Karagen Rodgers, Madison Rudd, Riley Salter-Rickman, Leah Seamons, Lily Thomas, Korbrin Wilson



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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE PROCEEDINGS FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL 6/20/2023

At 5:30 P.M., Council met in adjourned session on Tuesday, June 20,

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PUBLIC NOTICES

2023. Mayor Mohrfeld presided with Council Members Yager, Andrews, Amandus, Rink, Gray and Roller present. Council Member Bowker was absent.

On motion, Council approved the Consent Agenda: Minutes of 6/6/2023; Liquor License Renewals: Vinnie's Longbranch; Partial List of Cigarette Permits; Claims dated 6/15/2023, June Library Claims; Payroll of 6/2/2023 and 5/19/2023.

On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 1, Administration, Title 2, Boards & Commissions, and Title, 6, Health & Sanitation. On motion, Council approved the second reading of an ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 7, Stopping, Standing, Parking. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-46,

EXPENDITURES	
General	\$ 65,832.30
Special Revenue	262,862.62
Road Use	18,874.27
Debt	150.00
Capital	176,286.83
Water	45,944.13
Sewer	17,894.17
Sld Waste, IWC	22,645.49
SW Utility	1,968.37
	<u>\$612,458.18</u>

REVENUES	
General	\$ 56,312.44
Special Revenue	58,505.08
Road Use	842.50
Debt	6,275.14
Water	1,011.54
Sewer	11,797.88
Solid Waste/IWC	538.20
SW Utility	122.78
	<u>\$135,405.56</u>

CLAIMS - 6/20/2023

3E ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, LIGHTING	14,554.78
ALEXIS FIRE EQUIPMENT CO, MARKER LIGHT	104.05
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES, UNIFORM	1,026.17
AT&T MOBILITY, PHONE/HOT SPOTS	1,741.73
BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS, CONES/ BARRICADES	1,021.00
BATES SANITATION & ASPHALT, PORTA-POTTIE RENTAL	640.00
BUILDING MATERIALS INC, OLD FORT ROOF/ PAINT/BOARDS	1,340.79
BURLINGTON MUNI WATER, BACTERIA SAMPLE	119.00
CALHOUN-BURNS AND ASSOC, PROF FEE - BROS SWAP	5,253.90
CAMLOCKDIRECT, HOSE SHANKS	325.06
CENTURY LANDRY DISTRIBUTING, WASHING MACHINE	9,290.25
CITY OF FORT MADISON, LEACHATE DISCHARGE (E&W)	1,975.93
COURTESY DOOR SALES, REPLACED OVERHEAD DOOR SPRING	362.00

approving the filing of an application for the Iowa Department of Transportation's State Recreational Trails Grant for the construction of Connecting Fort Madison! Phase IV – 48th Street Trail Connector. On motion, Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-47, approving the Mayor's signature on a Contract for Services with Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission, for assistance with the City Manager Search. On motion, Council approved the purchase of a new fire rescue pumper from Banner Fire Equipment, Inc., of South Roxana, Illinois, in the amount of \$945,539.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

/s/ Matt J. Mohrfeld, Mayor
ATTEST: /s/ Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk

PAYROLL 6/2/2023	
General	197,009.65
Old Fort	3,424.01
Road Use	25,191.80
Water	31,004.67
Sewer	30,641.21
Solid Waste	14,276.94
Airport	312.77
Storm Water	3,017.48
	<u>\$304,878.53</u>

PAYROLL 5/19/2023	
General	245,254.21
Old Fort	3,057.91
Emp Benefits	7,929.82
Road Use	25,905.52
Water	29,206.32
Sewer	31,396.40
Solid Waste	14,487.96
Airport	486.54
Storm Water	3,082.48
	<u>\$360,807.16</u>

DAILY DEMOCRAT, PUBLICATIONS	363.04
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP, STEM O-RINGS	312.00
DIAMOND VOGEL INC., PAINT	975.17
DOUDS STONE, LLC, ROADSTONE	1,270.88
DUNKIN GARAGE & TOWING, CAR SERVICED	766.75
DV CAPITAL LLC, VEHICLE REPAIR	1,646.03
EASTIN, CHRIS, TRAVEL REIMB	339.30
ERIC FREITAG, ADOPT-A-GARDEN REIMBURSE	300.00
EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING, SLUDGE SAMPLE	308.16
F&W SERVICE COMPANY, INC, REPAIRED LIFT	765.75
FARM & HOME SUPPLY, OIL	1,274.05
FORT MADISON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, FORT - GIFT SHOP SUPPLIES	182.33
GALL'S, AN ARAMARK COMPANY, SHOOTER BAGS	302.99
GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL, OUTDOOR TRASH CANS	3,505.99
GREAT RIVER REGIONAL WASTE, GARBAGE PICKUP	22,633.69
GREGORY WAROSH, DOG DEWORMER	32.09
HACH COMPANY, LAB SUPPLIES	993.28
HELLIGE LAWN CARE, TRIMMING @ HEAD STONES	1,950.00
HOENIG TREE SERVICE INC, TREE REMOVAL @ OAKLAND	1,250.00
HOWARD R GREEN COMPANY, PROF FEE - AVE H 10-18	10,565.01
HUFFMAN WELDING & MACHINE, BATTERY	2,414.51
HUMBURD AUTO SERVICE, REPAIRED AIR CONDITION	1,101.87
HY-VEE ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	27.98
IA DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TERMINAL FEES	300.00
ICONNECTYOU, INTERNET FOR FINGERPRINTS	5.00
IDEAL READY MIX COMPANY, CONCRETE @ 7/8 STREET	1,308.33
INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC MOTORS, LIGHTS	164.99
INTOXIMETERS, DRY GAS	125.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES, STREET SIGNS	761.42
JIM'S LOCK & SAFE, INC., SERVICE CALL	160.00
JONES CONTRACTING CORP, PAY EST #13 - AVE H 10-18	110,757.97
KAY PARK, RECREATION PICNIC TABLES	3,727.84
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE HARDWARE, ITEMS/ RENTALS/ETC	1,381.04
LEE COUNTY PHEASANTS FOREVER, NATIVE GRASS SEED	720.00
LEXIPOL LLC, TRAINING	1,417.28
LISCO, PHONE/INTERNET	2,287.76
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, 2024 VAC TRUCK	258,661.23
MADISON TURF & TIMBER, IDLER PART	50.95
MAX R, PARK SIGNS	4,872.00
MCCLURE ENGINEERING CO., PROF FEE	2,107.88
MCMASTER CARR SUPPLY CO, AIR FILTERS	1,009.05
MENARD - WEST BURLINGTON RTD, SHEATHING/SCREWS	359.87
MICROBAC LABORATORIES LLC, SLUDGE SAMPLE	289.50
MIGUEL LANDEROS, NUISANCE ABATEMENT & CITY PROP	2,129.16
MOBOTREX, PROTECTOR - STOP LIGHTS	237.00
MOHRFELD ELECTRIC, HOUSE LIGHTS @ SHELTER REP	327.01
MOWEN CLEANING SERVICE LLC, JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	1,311.50

MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC., HYDRANTS/ VALVES	22,714.00
NORRIS ASPHALT PAVING, SURFACING	496.62
NORTHERN SAFETY CO. INC., LAB SUPPLIES	226.96
NSI SOLUTIONS INC., SAMPLES	548.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC., FILTERS	908.05
PETTY CASH - MELINDA BLIND, UNIFORM REPAIRS/POSTAGE/ BATTER	84.58
PITNEY BOWES BANK INC., REFILL METER	2,000.00
PRO TRACK & TENNIS, HYDRANT MTR RE-FUND	318.81
QUILL LLC, SOAP/ADDING MACH	80.25
QUIXOTE/HEARTS & TUMMIES, MERCH @ OLD FORT	162.80
RED LION RENEWABLES, ELECTRIC	9,126.36
RELIANT FIRE APPARATUS, RADIATOR	5,581.17
RITTERS INC., TREES	349.99
ROBERTS TIRE CENTER CORP, SERVICE CALL TO REPAIR TIRE	2,247.40
SCHWIG OUTDOORS LLC, JET SKI PORTS	5,433.45
SCS ENGINEERS, AR DEPT., PROF FEE	150.00
SELECTIVE INS. CO, FLOOD INS @ 1002 RIVERVIEW	2,275.00
SOLUMLANG, BUILDING DESIGN	1,500.00
SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE, TRAINING	15.00
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY, FLUORIDE SAMPLE	20.00
THACHER TREE CARE, TREE REMOVAL	3,050.00
TIM'S REPAIR SHOP, STIHL SAW	2,949.17
TRI-STATE LAWN SERVICE LLC, NUISANCE ABATEMENT	525.00
TRUCK REPAIR INC., FITTINGS/HOSE	404.22
UMB BANK, N.A., INITIATION FEES	500.00
UNITY POINT CLINIC - OCCUP RANDOM SCREENING	42.00
UPS, SHIPPING	33.34
USA BLUE BOOK, PARTS	64.50
VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC, PROF FEE - 10TH ST SWR	8,380.52
VESSCO INC., ELEMENTS	1,052.04
WALLJASPER VETERINARY CLINIC, RENTAL FEE/MEDS	1,900.00
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED, CHEMICALS	12,690.69
WEST CENTRAL FS, AIRPORT FUEL	34.00
WINDSTREAM, PHONE/ INTERNET	262.95
TOTAL	601,934.18

GENERAL	55,409.26
SPECIAL REVENUES	260,106.03
ROAD USE	18,874.27
CAPITAL PROJECTS	176,286.83
WATER	45,944.13
WASTEWATER	17,894.17
SOLID WASTE	22,645.49
AIPRORT	2,805.63
STORM WATER	1,968.37
TOTAL	601,934.18

Library - June 2023	
3RD GENERATION ELECTRIC, LIGHT UNDER EAVES	895.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, DVDS	584.26
BAKER & TAYLOR, BOOKS	1,702.61
BLACK STONE PUBLISHING, CDs	126.37
CONTINENTAL FIRE SPRINKLER, REPAIR SPRINKLER SYSTEMS	605.48
CULLEN PEST CONTROL, QUARTERLY SERVICE	65.00
CULTUREALL, OPEN BOOK PROGRAM 1/2	700.00
DEMCO, BOOK JACKETS	317.74
DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM SUPPLIES	381.35
EXCEL IT SERVICES, CLOUD SERVICE	35.58
FP MAILING SOLUTIONS, UPS	40.00
GREENWOOD CLEANING SYSTEM, JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	486.72
INFOUSA MARKETING, INC, POLK CITY DIRECTORY	265.00
KANOPY, INC., VIDEOS	20.00
KEMPKERS TRUE VALUE, TWINE & PAINT	25.98
KING KLEEN LLC, CLEAN WINDOWS	360.00
MEDIACOM BUSINESS, PHONE SERVICE	412.37
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY, HEATING	5.27
OTC BRANDS, INC, CHILDRENS PROGRAM SUPLIES	709.14
OVERDRIVE, INC, E BOOKS	965.59
PETTY CASH - SARAH CLENDINeng, FOOD CRAFT SUPPLIES	32.09
QUILL LLC, OFFICE SUPPLIES	296.73
SESSIONS, JOSHUA, JANITORIAL SERVICE	905.10
SHOWCASES, VINYL CD COVERS	490.01
ULINE, CYLINDER BOTTLES	86.61
TOTAL	10,524.00
GENERAL	0,423.04
SPECIAL REVENUES	100.96
TOTAL	10,524.00

Local News/From the Front

Phase IV up 48th Street next on P.O.R.T.'s agenda

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"We're really excited that we're connected, but there are still a lot of clean up pieces that we want to get done before we start talking to the county to expand outside the city limits," Budnik said.

The group's next immediate plans are to connect a 10-foot trail from the 3rd Phase, which runs from 48th Street west to Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center's Fort Madison campus, to River Valley Road.

Budnik said the Fort Madison School District also has plans to put in a trail-width sidewalk on their property along 48th Street as part of the construction plans going on there now around the new PreK-3rd grade construction.

"The school is also planning to put in a trail on their side with all the construction they are doing which will connect Phase 2."

Budnik said strategic planning also includes extending the trail to Chalk Ridge Road on Bluff.

"Bluff has been there a long time, but it's not our trail per se, so we'd like to turn that into our trail from Chalk Ridge. Then you can come off and catch Phase 1 all the way to the Rodeo Connector, which is very exciting."

Future planning also includes connecting Quality Inn to the PORT trail via the hospital campus.

"So people staying there can get on the trail and walk and connect to the hospital, which will literally get us to the end of town," she said.

Large trail connections and plans are getting attention from state and federal funding resources. Budnik said Southeast Iowa Regional Planning has dabbled in discussions for comprehensive trail plans in Lee County.

She said the city of Fort Madison has also talked about more comprehensive trail plans.

"We're celebrating today with the connector and we're thankful for the hospital funding. There is still funding from the Community Hospital Foundation that is sitting in a fund to leverage future grants.

She said Community Hospital Funds have also been applied to the jetty wall at the marina, which has a concrete path on top that is part of the city's trail network.

MPOWER U team packs up treats

FORT MADISON - The 2022/23 MPOWER U SCC leadership class decided to provide care packages, which included various snacks and water, as a class project to local Law Enforcement and First Responders within each of their communities of the 4- county region. Representing Fort Madison High School was Madelyn Gobble and Teague Smith-pictured with FM Fire Dept and FM Police. Gobble also represented the class project to the Lee County EMS and Lee County Sheriff Department.

MPOWER U is a college-level class in leadership that offers high school juniors and seniors opportunities to experience leadership in action within the communities in the Great River Region of Southeast Iowa. Students learn the skills and traits of what makes a good leader. The MPOWER U class consists of two students, selected by their respective faculty and guidance counselors, each

from all participating high schools in Des Moines, Henry, Lee, and Louisa counties. MPOWER U students travel throughout the region to meet various community, business, civic, and elected leaders. The class also accompanies leaders from throughout the area for Great River Region Days, an annual trip to Des Moines to meet with legislators and governmental leaders about the needs of the region. During this trip, the class presents 3-4 topics to the legislators and attendees, issues they have researched and feel need to be addressed that may be affecting the State of Iowa. This year's topics included: Standard Based Grading System (More consistency, issues within the grading system); Mental Health and Incarceration (Separation of crime and mental health); "Real World" Education (Improving "real world" educational opportunities within the high school classroom).



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