

2x4s may get county property

GIFT: Dec. 4th hearing before supervisors could result in donation of FM housing

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Lee County Board of Supervisors has set a resolution to consider gifting some Fort Madison low-income housing properties to a local non-profit.

The board will hold a hearing on Dec. 4 at 10:01 a.m. at the North Lee County Administration building to determine if the resolution to gift the properties to Fort Madison’s 2x4s for Hope, a non profit the county has deemed serves a public purpose.

2x4s for Hope is volunteer group that builds small or what it calls “tiny homes” for homeless veterans. The group completed its first home in Fort Madison this summer.

The move is part of the county’s efforts to divest itself of property in the county it owns and maintains.

The properties would be gifted through a quit claim deed. The properties under consideration include 313 Avenue G, 615 and 617 3rd Street, 325 Avenue G, 327 Avenue G, 331 Avenue G, and 329 Avenue G.

Those properties were previously owned by the county, but managed by the Fort Madison Housing Authority. That relationship was severed when the Housing Authority was alerted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that it was misusing federal funds to maintain the property under the contract with the county.

The transition of the property has been spearheaded by Supervisor Tom Schulz who sits on the county’s Building Committee. That committee was formed earlier this year to look at all county properties to determine which buildings were necessary to maintain under county ownership and which could be sold or gifted to other entities.



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Fort Madison student Jeb Bruster updates the Fort Madison School Board Monday night during the student presentation portion of the meeting. Bruster updated the board on programs and athletics at the high school.

HOLIDAY NEWS

FM Lighted Parade this Friday, Burlington’s Saturday

FORT MADISON - This Friday after the turkey tryptophan has waned and you’re ready to exit a 24-hour hybernation, the holiday season kicks off in Fort Madison and Burlington with the annual lighted parades.

Fort Madison’s parade begins at 6:30 p.m. on Avenue G. Local businesses sponsor lighted floats pulled by all sorts of motorized vehicles ushering in St. Nick and the Christmas holiday. Several local businesses will be open for the event for a beverage or pastry or even some shopping.

The downtown Burlington’s Annual Lighted Holiday Parade will take place Saturday, November 25 at 5 PM. Dozens of floats and entries will participate in this year’s parade, with the theme of “Miracle on Jefferson Street.” A special visitor from the North Pole will also be on hand. The parade will begin at Eighth and Jefferson and proceed east. For more information, call Downtown Partners at 319-752-6365 or visit www.greater-burlington.com.

HEALTH NEWS

Dr. Thurman named state’s top family doc

WEST BURLINGTON – Dr. John Thurman, Family Practice, Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center, Fort Madison, was named the 2023 Iowa Family Physician of the Year by the Iowa Academy of Family Physicians. Dr. Thurman was honored at an award ceremony on Friday, November 17, 2023, in Des Moines.

Dr. Thurman was nominated by patients Curt and Ginnie Swarm who had this to say, “He’s an excellent doctor, great communicator and motivator, has a wonderful sense of humor, and really cares for each and every one of his patients, whom he considers personal friends.”



THURMAN

An accomplished seven-year, active-duty U.S. Army officer with combat experience and double board-certified family medicine physician, Dr. Thurman earned his Bachelor of Science degree in systems engineering from the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point and his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from ATSU’s Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, Missouri. He completed a family medicine residency at MacNeal Hospital, Berwyn, Illinois, and was nominated chief resident in 2014. Prior to his current position, he worked at Great River Health in Burlington, Iowa, and at the University of Chicago Medicine in Chicago.

In addition, he has served as medical director for hospice, rehabilitative services, and nursing homes. Among his many honors, Dr. Thurman was nominated for physician excellence at Great River Health for going above and beyond in patient care.

Dr. Thurman joins three other family physicians from Great River Health to receive this award. These include Dr. David Carlson in 2005, Dr. Michael AbouAssaly in 2010, and Dr. Doug Peters in 2011.

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Obituaries

OBITUARIES

DOROTHY E. JOHNSON

Dorothy Eleanor Johnson was born April 14, 1930 in the family farmhouse near Dallas City, Illinois and died in the same farmhouse November 19, 2023. She was one of 8 children born to Paul and Grace Markey. Her siblings Lester, Leon, Frank, John, Tony, and Mary preceded her in death, and her sister Katherine survives. She loved learning and excelled in the local public schools she attended. Dorothy went on to study at Western Illinois State College, received her teaching certificate, and taught 4 years in rural Illinois schoolhouses. Her school teaching career ended when God started sending her children.



She met James R. Johnson (Jim), at a square dance near Dallas City. They were married on February 7, 1953 at Immaculate Conception Church in Carthage, Illinois. Jim became a Catholic shortly after their marriage as a surprise 'gift' to his new bride. Jim died July 30, 2009, with Dorothy at his bedside. Dorothy attended Sacred Heart Church in Dallas City her entire life with her family. They had ten children; two died at birth; the remaining 8 survived and had children of their own. She likes to refer to her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren as her 'treasures'.

Dorothy's children and grandchildren:
James (Liz) Johnson and children James M., Patrick, Paul, Timothy, and Jenny (deceased); Paul (Deb) Johnson and children Beth and Nora; David (Patricia) Johnson and children

Heidi, Amy, Colleen, and Holly; Annetta (Dave) Tevis and children Ian and Michael; Robert (Lori) Johnson and children Megan, Hannah, and Ryan; Carol (Jim) Barnett and children Sister Gemma (Ashley), Grace, Katey, Daniel, and Samantha (deceased); Patricia (Jim) Cuffe and children Courtney, Grant, and Emily; Andrew (Becky) Johnson and children Tom, David, and Ellie.

Dorothy's great grandchildren:
Abbey and Kate Van Middlesworth, Lena and Jonah Taylor, Rayna Tevis, Cora and Nathaniel Tevis, Owen, Addie, and Harper Brewer, Emma and Henry Mueller, Lauren Chalmers, and Jake Seymoure, Benjamin Bingham, Genevieve Johnson, many nieces, nephews, and step grandchildren.

It would have been more than enough work to be a farm wife and mother of 8, but Dorothy did not limit her love to her family. She taught the Catholic faith to other children, served on the Altar and Rosary Society, was a lector at Sacred Heart and served on the Durham election board. She performed many spiritual and corporal works of mercy including sending many letters of encouragement to those who needed them. She was not shy about entering into thorny issues with words given to her by the Holy Spirit. Many will miss those letters.

Jim, Dorothy, and their sons spent much time caring for the Gittings Mound Cemetery, her final resting place. After her sons left home, Dorothy continued to mow the cemetery by

herself until Jim retired in 1990. Today her son David, and nephew Wayne Garrison continue the tradition. After Jim's retirement, Dorothy and Jim were able to garden together, visit their children and grandchildren, make many wooden pieces of furniture from oak grown on the farm, and fish the creek and Mississippi River. They especially enjoyed a few trips to Mobridge, South Dakota to fish for walleye in Lake Oahe with their 5 sons.

Dorothy's children gathered at her bedside at the end of her life. She did not ask them to come, but her life called them to be there for over a week to pray, recount favorite family stories, be quiet together, and enjoy communion in the spirit of Christ. Her granddaughter, Sister Gemma, said it was 'like her children made a week long retreat in grandma's room'. Dorothy was an amazing woman whose physical presence will be missed. However, those who know her are certain that her prayers will be even more effective now.

A Rosary will be recited at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 26, 2023 at Banks & Beals Funeral Home in Dallas City followed by a visitation with the family until 5:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, November 27, 2023 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dallas City with Fr. Tony Trosley as celebrant. Burial will follow at Gittings Mound Cemetery, rural Dallas City.

A memorial fund has been established for Gittings Mound Cemetery or the Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School. To leave an online condolence for the family, please visit Dorothy's obituary at banksandbeals.com.

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DOUGLAS K. SUMMERS

Douglas “Doug” Kent Summers, 64, of Keokuk, passed away on Friday, November 10, 2023, at Arbor Court in Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

Doug was born on January 25, 1959, in Keokuk, Iowa, the son of Robert R. and Judith Lynn (Buss) Summers. He was a carpenter employed by Homebuilders for many years, and enjoyed Harley-Davidson motorcycles and his family plants, some of which were over fifty years old. In his younger years, he enjoyed playing basketball.

Doug is survived by two sons: Tyson (Amy) Summers of Omaha, Nebraska, and Tyler Summers of Burlington, Iowa; two brothers: Robert “Craig” Summers and Daniel Summers, both of Keokuk; his sister Joni (Brendan) Kyung of San Francisco, California; three grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Doug is preceded in death by his parents.

No services will be held at this time.

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

DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home of Keokuk is in charge of arrangements.



SUMMERS

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

SHARON R. MORRISON

Sharon Rae Morrison, age 63, of Fort Madison, Iowa died Friday, November 17, 2023 at the Great River Hospice House, West Burlington, Iowa. She was born May 20, 1960 in Fort Madison, Iowa a daughter of Dennis and Bonnie (Peak) Morrison.

Sharon graduated from the Fort Madison High School. She work for Sheaffer Pen, and then later at the Southeast Iowa Regional Medical Center, Fort Madison campus. She loved the people she worked with at the hospital! She loved her flower gardens, was very creative, enjoyed sewing and crafting, and doing DIY projects.

She is survived by her mother Bonnie Morrison; one sister Sheila Decker; one nephew Matt Decker (Kristina Gesualdo), all of Fort Madison; as well as cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her father.

Her family will greet friends from 9:30 - 10:30 am Wednesday, November 22, 2023 at the Barr Memorial Chapel, with a Celebration of Her Life to follow, beginning at 10:30 am with Nancy St. Clair officiating. Private burial will be at Oakland Cemetery, Fort Madison. A memorial has been established for the Great River Hospice House or PAW Animal Shelter, contributions may be left at or mailed to Barr Memorial Chapel, 1919 Ave F, Fort Madison, Iowa 52627. Barr Memorial Chapel is honored to serve the Morrison family and an online guest book may be found at www.barrmemorialchapel.com.



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In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, we will not publish an e-Edition Thursday, November 23 through Sunday, November 26. We'll resume publication on Monday, November 27. Breaking news will continue to be published on our website 24/7.

We wish you a very warm & wonderful Thanksgiving.

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Thurman joins three other Great River physicians with honor

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part of our medical team. The kindness and care he provides to his patients is a true reflection of the care we feel our patients deserve. Dr. Thurman joins a very respected peer group in Dr. Carlson, Dr. AbouAssaly and Dr. Peters. We send our sincere congratulations and thank you to Dr. Thurman,” expressed Dr. Michael McCoy, President and CEO of Great River Health.

The Iowa Academy of Family Physicians honors outstanding family physicians and educators by presenting annual membership awards. The Family Physician of the Year Award is presented to a family physician that was nominated by a patient and exemplifies what it means to be not only a great family physician but an active participant in their community.

Fort Madison girls open with win

OTTUMWA – A 14-point 4th quarter spearheaded by Aija Jenkins’ two 3-pointers was enough to give the Lady Hounds their first official win of the year Monday night in Ottumwa.

The Lady Hounds won Saturday’s exhibition game over West Burlington, but the win doesn’t go in the win column.

Jenkins led Fort Madison with 12 points on the night, followed by Taylor Johnson’s nine and Halle Menke’s eight points as the Hounds rolled to a 39-36 win.

The Lady Hounds didn’t get on the board until two minutes left in the first quarter when Johnson converted a couple free throws and Menke hit underneath. Sophomore Dayonna Davis hit a late three to tie things up at 7 going into the second period.

Ottumwa would hold the Lady Hounds to just eight points in the second half while Ottumwa put up 12 for a 19-15 lead at the half.

Ottumwa would open up a 7-point lead half way through the third period at 24-17, but Fort Madison would stage a comeback and held Ottumwa to just three more points. Fort Madison would put up eight to cut the lead to 25-27 going into the final period.

Jenkins’ eight fourth quarter points kick-started the late 4th period, with both of her threes coming in the final three minutes. The Hounds defense again stepped up allowing just five points in the final period while Fort Madison was pulling away on a 12-7 win to wrap up the win.

“Our seniors played like seniors tonight,” said Head Coach Landon Bentley playing in his first official game as the Hounds’ head coach. “They lead on the floor and off the floor. They played with confidence and stepped up to knock Fort Madison opens the season 1-0. The girls are off for the holiday break and take on Davis County at home on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE MINUTES KEOKUK CITY COUNCIL MEETING October 19, 2023 501 Main Street 5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on October 19, 2023, at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were six council members present, three absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Tyler Walker, Shelley Oltmans, Steve Andrews, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Roslyn Garcia, Dan Tillman, and John Helenthal were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills, Chief of Police Zeth Baum, Bridge, Cemetery, Park, and Sanitation Manager Bob Weis, and Fire Chief Gabe Rose.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Informed of local events.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Marquis Lewis, rural manager of the Domestic Violence Intervention Program introduced the program; Mayor Mahoney read proclamation proclaiming October to be Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Walker to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting & Council Workshop of October 5, 2023;

Cash Receipts & Treasurer's report for September 2023;

Minutes of the Civil Service Commission of September 30, 2023;

Certified list for candidates for consideration by the Keokuk Police Department;

RESOLUTION NO. 323-2023: Approving a Liquor License for Los Tapatios Restaurant, 706 Main Street, Class C Retail Alcohol License-effective November 1, 2023 (pending fire inspection);

Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5368-5369;

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Oltmans to approve the initial reading of an Ordinance amending Section 9.36 dealing with stop streets.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Walker, Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – None, ABSENT- Garcia, Tillman, and Helenthal. 6-0 Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Andrews to waive the second and third reading of the Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Walker, Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – None, ABSENT- Garcia, Tillman, and Helenthal. 6-0 Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Crenshaw to adopt and give final approval of ORDINANCE NO. 2046: Amending Section 9.36 dealing with stop streets.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Walker, Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – None, ABSENT- Garcia, Tillman, and Helenthal. 6-0 Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed resolution guaranteeing a line of credit for Keokuk Economic Development Corporation. Roll call requested.

Roll Call Vote: AYES –Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – Walker, ABSTAIN - Crenshaw, ABSENT- Garcia, Tillman, and Helenthal. 4-1 Motion failed (lack of majority).

After more discussion a motion was made by Greenwald, second by

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Oltmans to reconsider. Roll Call Vote: AYES –Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – Walker, ABSTAIN - Crenshaw, ABSENT- Garcia, Tillman, and Helenthal. 4-1 Motion

failed (lack of majority). Motion made by Bryant, second by Oltmans to approve the following proposed resolution approving the 2022-2023 Annual Finance Report. Roll Call Vote: AYES

–Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. NAYS – Walker, ABSTAIN - Crenshaw, ABSENT- Garcia, Tillman, and Helenthal. 4-1 Motion failed (lack of majority). Motion made Cren-

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shaw, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 324-2023: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022-2023 ANNUAL FINANCE REPORT." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Crenshaw, second by Bryant to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 325-2023: "A RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR LANDSLIDE AT NORTH 3RD AND FRANKLIN STREET." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 326-2023: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE WITH NANABY, LLC

AT THE SOUTHEAST IOWA DEVELOPMENT CENTER." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed RESOLUTION NO. 327-2023: "A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SUBMISSION OF A US EPA BROWNFIELD GRANT APPLICATION." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Andrews to approve a sewer credit for Joe Benson, 700 S. 6th Street for filling pool in August. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Crenshaw to acknowledge receipt and acceptance of a petition to change council presentation plan. (6)

AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: First notification to appoint Andrew Whitaker and re-appoint Amanda Rogers to the Rand Park Pavilion Commission, 5-year term to expire 10/22/2028. First notification to re-appoint Janice Linder, Raeann Salter, Terry Twitchell, and Jerry Herr to the Grand Theatre Commission, 3-year term to expire 11/5/2026.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Andrews to approve the Mayoral Appointment to re-appoint Mike Hickley and Flint Peyton to Keokuk Municipal Waterworks Board, 6-year term to expire 11/1/2029. Mayoral Appointment to re-appoint Ralph Dial and Dick Malloy to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board, 3-year term to

expire 11/2/2026. Accept resignation of Thomas Dressler from the Airport Commission, effective immediately. Accept resignation of James West from the Historic Preservation Commission, effective immediately. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS: Wills updated on water pollution control; Broomhall reported on vacant property registry; Carroll reported on public works and leases regarding Southeast Iowa Development Center; Rose updated on fire truck; and O'Donnell reported on IDNR reporting and Amjet.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Andrews to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE Meeting Notice City of Fort Madison PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION Tuesday, November 28, 2023 6:00pm Council Chambers City Hall 811 Avenue E, Fort Madison, IA 52627

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes – November 28, 2023 Meeting
3. Zoning Code Updates:
• Review of proposed zoning code 165.01-165.12.
• Discuss code to be adopted for downtown district.
• Discuss commercial districts beyond downtown.
• Review zoning map:

Homework: Note areas of change needed to be reviewed at next meeting.
• District uses: Discuss Uses Matrix: Homework: Review uses: Bring expected changes to next meeting.
• Propose to rezone all parks to a "Parks District".
• Propose to rezone all cemeteries to a "Cemeteries" District.
4. Case # 23-08: Review plat of survey for parcel split for Craig Abolt at 2887 Chalk Ridge Road.
5. Adjournment
Upcoming meeting dates:
• 12/26/23 (Review Map, review uses list)
• 1/23/24 (Classify uses allowed within districts) (Map changes)
• 2/27/24 (continued...)
• 3/26/24

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Sports

Kemper, Smith take titles at West Liberty Invitational

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WEST LIBERTY – The Fort Madison Lady Hound wrestling team continued it’s hot start to the season.

Hailey Kemper and Mara Smith both took home titles at the West Liberty Invitational Monday night helping the Bloodhounds to a second-place finish. West Liberty won the event with 205 points, while the Hounds accumulated 157 on the night.

Mid-Prairie was third followed by North Scott and Tipton rounding out the top five.

Kemper breezed through the 100 lb. bracket recording three falls after receiving a first round bye. She took out North Scott’s Katelyn Buckley by fall in just 23 seconds and then battled for a period and a half before getting Alburnett’s Carly McGraw’s shoulders to the mat That put her in the title match with Highland’s Abbie Grout, who had also advanced to the finals with two byes and two pins. Kemper wrapped that up in 2:32 for the title.

Smith, wrestling a little heavier at 125, had the most exciting route to a championship. After a first-round bye the sophomore pinned Pleasant Valley’s Leah Barr in 53 seconds. She then took out host West Liberty’s Kiley Collins at 2:38 by pin.

That set up a title match with Saidee Hamilton of Tipton. Smith got the only points of the first period when she scored a takedown 31 seconds after the whistle for a 2-0- lead after one. Smith earned a penalty point to start the second period, but then Hamilton recorded a takedown and nearfall half way through the period. Smith was awarded a penalty point in the scrum and then executed a reversal with less than a minute left for a 6-3 lead going into the final period.

Smith got into some hold issues in the third period and surrendered a couple penalty points in the final period, but was awarded a point for Hamilton stalling leading to the 6-5 win and the title.

Tatum Peters advanced to the title match at 145 lbs. but was kept from the title there suffering a 37 second fall to Pleasant Valley’s Cassi Paustian.

Fort Madison got third-place finishes from Chloe Sokolik at 130 pounds and Annah Blanchard at 115.

The girls are off now until Nov. 27th when they host the Fort Madison Invitational.

Other results are listed below.

- 100 lbs. - Lucille Zimmerman 7th
- 105 lbs - Emma Berry 7th
- 125 lbs. – Briena Fenton 5th
- 130 lbs. – Alaiana Schwerin 7th
- 140 lbs. - Natalie Wright 4th
- 155 lbs. – Mady Emmett 5th
- 235 lbs. – Taylea Palar 8th

LADY HOUNDS

Fort Madison girls open with win

OTTUMWA – A 14-point 4th quarter spearheaded by Aija Jenkins’ two 3-pointers was enough to give the Lady Hounds their first official win of the year Monday night in Ottumwa.

The Lady Hounds won Saturday’s exhibition game over West Burlington, but the win doesn’t go in the win column.

Jenkins led Fort Madison with 12 points on the night, followed by Taylor Johnson’s nine and Halle Menke’s eight points as the Hounds rolled to a 39-36 win.

The Lady Hounds didn’t get on the board until two minutes left in the first quarter when Johnson converted a couple free throws and Menke hit underneath. Sophomore Dayonna Davis hit a late three to tie things up at 7 going into the second period.

Ottumwa would hold the Lady Hounds to just eight points in the second half while Ottumwa put up 12 for a 19-15 lead at the half.

Ottumwa would open up a 7-point lead half way through the third period at 24-17, but Fort Madison would stage a comeback and held Ottumwa to just three more points. Fort Madison would put up eight to cut the lead to 25-27 going into the final period.

Jenkins’ eight fourth quarter points kick-started the late 4th period, with both of her threes coming in the final three minutes. The Hounds defense again stepped up allowing just five points in the final period while Fort Madison was pulling away on a 12-7 win to wrap up the win.

“Our seniors played like seniors tonight,” said Head Coach Landon Bentley playing in his first official game as the Hounds’ head coach. “They lead on the floor and off the floor. They played with confidence and stepped up to knock Fort Madison opens the season 1-0. The girls are off for the holiday break and take on Davis County at home on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.



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