Boddicker takes over as County Attorney

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**

PCC EDITOR

MONTROSE - Clinton Boddicker took the oath of office as the new Lee County Attorney Tuesday at the Lee County Board of Supervisors meeting after supervisors approved election results from the May 2 special election.

Boddicker, who has been an assistant in the office for about nine years, was sworn in by Judge John Wright of the 8th Judicial District (B), and Wright immediately swore in Ross Braden as Boddicker’s 1st Assistant.

The two went up against each other in the May election with Boddicker winning by almost 800 votes.

“I met with Ross and Mio (Santiago) yesterday to talk about how we would divide up the work. There’s gonna be some minor changes and some reorganization, but nothing major.”
-Clinton Boddicker, Lee County Attorney

Clinton Boddicker gets sworn in as the new Lee County Attorney Tuesday by 8th District Judge John Wright. Boddicker then appointed Ross Braden as his 1st Assistant and Braden was sworn in.

New traffic law aims at waste hauler safety

**PCG STAFF**

MONTROSE - A new Iowa law went into effect July 1 requiring motorists to slow down, safely change lanes if possible and operate with caution around waste and recycling vehicles on the road. These dangers encourage drivers to slow down and use caution when encountering waste and recycling vehicles on the road.

Boddicker said during the campaign there was a lot of respect between the two and they both indicated that they would like to be a part of the county attorney’s office no matter the outcome of the election.

During the campaign, Boddicker and Braden indicated they thought the county attorney’s office needed more staffing. Boddicker said Tuesday that he won’t be looking to add another full or part-time attorney, but may be coming to the supervisors in the near future to request additional support staff for the office.

He also indicated that there is currently a homicide investigation out of north Lee County, specifically the death investigation of James Nelson, whose body was found in Indian Path Park just off the Skunk River earlier this year.

Boddicker said Assistant County Attorney Bruce McDonald is handling that case but he will be keeping an eye on the progress. Boddicker wouldn’t discuss the case any further.

He also talked briefly about the current Lee County Health Department issue and said he hasn’t seen the results of the air quality test that was ordered when Braden was out of office as the new Lee County Attorney.

Boddicker has found that waste and recycling vehicles are the fifth most dangerous job in America in terms of fatalities and injuries.

The Iowa Recycling Association (IRA) took the steps to achieve support for this legislation during the recent Iowa legislative session. The law was signed by Governor Terry Branstad on April 20.

"Collection workers are at risk every day," said IRA President Shannon Meister. "We hope this law increases awareness of those dangers and encourages drivers to slow down and use caution when encountering waste and recycling vehicles on the road."

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OBITUARIES

NITA ANN SHORT DUNBAR

Nita Ann Short Dunbar, 61, of Revere, MO, passed away at 9:04 p.m. on Monday, May 8, 2017 at Fort Madison Community Hospital. She was born on October 1, 1955 in Prineville, OR to Charlie & Eunice Birdwell Short. She married Mark Roger Dunbar Jr. on July 10, 1976 in Baker City, OR. She was a registered nurse and homemaker most of her life and a member of Peaks-ville Christian Church in Peaksville, MO. She enjoyed reading, sewing and spending time with her grandchil-dren.

She is survived by: her husband: Mark Dunbar Jr. of Revere, MO; 1-daughter: Katie (David) Breese of Manhatten, KS; 1-son: Joe (Becky) Dunbar of Sigel, IL; 7-grandchildren; her father: Charlie Short of Cove, OR; 4-brothers & 1-sister. She was preceded in death by her mother and a son, Justin Daniel.

Cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funer-al Home & Crematory and no services are planned.

Online condolences to her family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com.

Fort Madison Firefighters were called to Richardson Elementary School on Tuesday morn-ing as a result of a drinking fountain motor that had burnt out, according to Fire Chief Joey Herren. Students were evacuated for about 20 minutes while the unit was dismantled.
cy services because the Wever Fire and Rescue uses the fertilizer plant for filling their pumper trucks with water. Iowa Department of Transportation and Iowa Fertilizer plant officials, along with Lee County officials held a conference call April 27 to discuss the issue further.

The final decision rests with the state, but IDOT officials have said the IFC needs to address issues with an acceleration lane north-bound on Hwy 61 off 180th Street and making improvements to 180th Street to handle the extra truck traffic before they would issue a permit to close the crossover.

"Let me make sure I understand this, we own 180th Street right. So we can do whatever we wish," said Supervisor Don Hunold. "So we could say, ‘You can do whatever you want to but were not going to let you have 180th. And if we did that then this whole thing would just stop. They can’t get to the road.’"

Supervisor Ron Fedler said IFC will only control truck drivers on their own property, so they couldn’t control where they exited because they didn’t own the property. "They could recommend it, but they couldn’t enforce it," Fedler said.

Rick Larkin said another tactic would be to ask for a refund of the money used for the Rise Road because there was funding allotted for that. "There’s a lot of money going to be put into that intersection. The state may come back and say ‘Hey, we gave you money for that other road’ and they may want that back because those were RISE Funds."

Supervisor Matt Pflug asked the question as to why these issues weren’t discussed in the preliminary meetings.

Supervisor Gary Folloque said they were part of initial conversations. "That was the discussion and everyone agreed that for safety factors they needed a road to connect 190th to Hwy 61 north and south," he said. "That was the discussion. And that’s why they proceeded with the Rise grid.” Lee County Engineer Ernie Steffensmeier said IFC is estimating $3.5 million for additional right of way, as well as everything that IDOT is requesting before any permit was issued for the work. "And that was on the high side," he said. Steffensmeier said trucking companies would spend about $2.3 million annually running around the Rise Road, or $300,000 to get back on Hwy 61.

Several options put forth by the trustees included: a weight limit on 180th Street with an exception for local farmers; trying to get IFC’s shipping department to work with truckers using I-50; and/or waiting until the plant is running at full capacity so truck traffic volume can be accurately evaluated.

With the issue in the hands of IFC and IDOT, the county is relegated to waiting to see what comes from future conversations as to what options are available.

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Hunold, along with Lee County Fertilizer plant officials, trucks with water.

For the Record

Fort Madison Police Department report

05/08/17 - 7:47 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 900 block of 2nd Street. 05/08/17 - 7:49 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of lancency/theft in the 300 block of 6th Street. 05/08/17 - 11:11 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of lancency/theft in the 1000 block of Avenue G. 05/08/17 - 12:55 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of lancency/theft in the 2000 block of Avenue O. 05/08/17 - 12:06 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of lancency/theft in the 3000 block of 180th Street.

John Mckewen, 23 of Fort Madison, in the 5400 block of Avenue O, on a charge of aggravated domestic abuse assault. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 05/08/17 - 3:28 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 900 block of 5th Street.

Lee County Sheriff’s Department report

05/08/17 - 3:55 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff’s Deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident in the 300 block of Hwy 103. A vehicle driven by Cassie Shaffer, 29 of Fort Madison, was traveling westbound. Shaf- fer reached for a water bottle that had fallen and went off into the shoulder damaging the vehicle. No citations or injuries were reported in the accident.

Fort Madison Fire Department report

05/08/17 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded to three medical calls. All persons in these listings are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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HTC scores six in 2nd half to blow out Mid-Prairie

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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WEST POINT - The Lady Crusaders capitalized on some balanced scoring including three scores from senior Ali Randolph in an 8-2 win over Mid-Prairie Wellman in girls soccer action Tuesday night.

Elle Rashid got Holy Trinity on the board first with a goal at 31:07 in the first half. The two teams kept each other at bay for the next 19 minutes before Randolph booted one in at the 12:31 mark. Mid Prairie got on the board in the first half when HTC defenders skipped a pass back to Avery Malinski, that bounced up and snuck into the net. Both Mid-Prairie goals were scored that way.

The second half was mostly offense for HTC. Taylor Boeding started the onslaught with an 18-footer from the right side of the pitch going into the Mid-Prairie goal's left side. Randolph got the assist from just past mid-field.

Nicole Pothitakis scored just 90 seconds later on a shot straight up the middle with an assist from Randolph in a tight grouping in front of the goal. Eight minutes later Randolph, who patrols the middle of the field on offense, snuck anther ball past Mid Prairie's Kirsten Duwa on a break up the center off an assist by Pothitakis.

Then Elyse Pothitakis got in on the scoring action just about four minutes later and the rout was on. Pothitakis scored on an assist to the left side from Maya Rashid. Rashid then went down the field to the south and scored off an intercept in just 13 seconds to put HTC up 7-1.

Randolph iced the game with another goal up the center unassisted to put the Lady Crusaders up 8-2. Maya Rashid had three assists on the night to lead HTC. Malinski had seven saves and Boeding took four shots on the night to lead in that category.

The win moves HTC to 7-3 on the season and sets up a nice matchup with Fort Madison on Thursday at West Point. The Bloodhounds are coming off three consecutive shutouts, are 8-3 on the year and have won seven of their last eight games.

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1,168 sq. ft. • 0.54 acres
Quality and beauty! Many updates and upgrades including a new concrete patio/carport with surround sound and mood lighting, new kitchen, bath and lighting throughout. This is an AMAZING house that you MUST see to appreciate!!!
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2BR • 1BA • 1 car garage
7,250 sq. ft. lot
A house with character! Wrap-around porch, original hardwood in formal dining room/living room combo, main floor laundry, nice size eat-in kitchen including appliances, dining room has original fireplace, basement and 1 car garage.
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5BR • 1.75BA • 1 car garage
1,904 sq. ft. • 1,903 sq. ft. lot
Great family home on large corner lot in the middle of Ft. Madison. Large living / dining area with original craftsman woodwork and built-ins, 14 x 22 garage on the alley with 2 additional storage sheds. Nice front porch, rear deck, and a great sunroom on the East.
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2BR • 1.75BA • 2 car garage
679 sq. ft. • 6,500 sq. ft. lot
Nice, small home. Seller has purchased and remodeled. Excellent condition.
Listing #20164161 • $62,500

2 BR • 1 BA • 1 car garage
528 sq. ft. • 5,600 sq. ft. lot
Super deal on this cream puff home, offering 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, new roof, newer windows, siding and REALLY nice garage!
Listing #20164597 • $29,900

4 BR • 1.75 BA
3 car garage • 2,052 sq. ft.
8,700 sq. ft. lot
Beautiful 4 bedroom home with large rooms, recently redecorated and ready to move into. This home features stainless steel appliances, main floor laundry, eat in kitchen and formal dining room, main floor office or bedroom, open staircase, large living room and big bedrooms. Newer roof, siding and gutters on house. 24’ X 36’ insulated garage and workshop, plus carport. Large wrap porch great location near Old Settlers Park.
Listing #20163776 • $129,500

3 BR • 2.50 BA
2 car garage • 1,194 sq. ft.
10,400 sq. ft. lot
Great family home is move-in ready. Nice-sized kitchen with all appliances, dining area, and nice living room all on the upper level. Completely re-modeled family room with a wood burning fireplace on lower level. Many updates include newer flooring, roof and HVAC system.
Listing #20164531 • $114,900

2 car garage • 2,527 sq. ft.
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Listing #20162733 • $269,000

Land
14.65 acres • 638,514 sq. ft.
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**Hounds 5th at meet**

MT. PLEASANT - Fort Madison got a 92 from Bill Young and a 93 from Tyler O’Tool enroute to a 380 score and a fifth place finish at Tuesday’s Southeast Conference meet at Mt. Pleasant Country Club.

The tournament took the top four finishers on each team for combined scores. Fort Madison finished with a 380. Washington won the event with a 308, followed by Mt. Pleasant's 316, Keokuk's 351, and Fairfield shot a 376.

Washington's Dalton Myers shot a 1-under par 71 to take medalist honors at the tournament, while teammate Jacob Van Osdol shot a 75 for runner up honors.

For the Bloodhounds, Tommy Wade carded a 96, while CJ Richardson and Tristan Reida both finished with 99a and Brandon Keester shot a 102.

State district action is Thursday beginning at 10 a.m. at the Burlington Country Club.

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**FMHS’s Bill Young takes a swing on Hole 3 earlier this year at Sheaffer Memorial Golf Course. Young shot a 92 to lead Fort Madison at the Southeast Iowa Conference meet Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant.**

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**Junior High girls compete at state**

DES MOINES - Two eighth-place finishes from Fort Madison girls highlighted the Mike Henderson junior high state track meet in Des Moines Saturday.

Katie Dennis took eighth place in the 1500-meter run with a time of 5:43.34 and the Shuttle Hurdle relay team of Raigan Munson, Reyna Lampe, Madelyn Swigart and Taylor Barnes took eighth with a time of 1:20.14.

Kylee Cashman had an 11th-place finish in the long jump with a leap of 14' 01" and Dennis finished 11th in the 800-meter run with a mark of 2:50.59.

Other top finishes for Fort Madison girls included a 13th-place finish in the 4x100-meter relay team of Reyna Lampe, Lauren Bailey, Nadia Boeding and Kylee Cashman with a time of 53.46. They also got a 17th-place finish in the medley relay with Bailey, Nadia Boeding, Cashman and Munson turning in a time of 2:21.84.

Lauren King finished 28th in the 800-meter run clocking in at 3:00.96 and 19th in the 1500 meter run at 6:09.15. Madelyn Swigart finished 50th in the 100 hurdles with a time of 21.84.

Anna Sobczak ran the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dashes. Raquel Schneider ran the 200- and 400-meter dashes and 800-meter run for Holy Trinity. Their places were not available.

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From left to right, Kylee Cashman, Madelyn Swigart, Raigan Munson, Lauren King, Raquel Schneider HTC, Anna Sobczak HTC, Reyna Lampe, Nadia Boeding, Taylor Barnes, and Lauren Bailey. Not pictured is Katie Dennis.