Supervisors to approve new county ME

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PCC EDITOR

MONTROSE - The Lee County Board of Supervisors will vote on Tuesday to approve the new medical examiner as part of a three-county agreement to share expenses.

Great River Health Systems, who under an agreement already approved by the supervisors, has appointed Dr. Craig Huston, from Great River Medical Center to be the new medical examiner for Des Moines, Lee and Henry counties. Per terms of the agreement, each board separately has to pass a resolution approving the physician appointed by GRHS.

The new appointment, once approved, will be effective July 1, 2017. Huston will be filling the unexpired term of Dr. Eugenio Torres and will have authority to appoint Deputy Medical Examiners as needed.

The appointment is for two years and may be automatically renewed unless the agreement is terminated by any of the counties or GRHS.

Civic group could help with missing people searches

ON Sunday I spent the better part of a half hour talking with the mom of a 15-year-old girl who has a broken neck and compressed vertebral fracture as a result of a 4-wheeler accident last week. I'm not going to use their names, that's not germane to this conversation.

Two girls were injured in the accident. The other suffered serious head trauma when they were thrown from the vehicle just off Old Quarry Road sometime after 5 p.m. June 30th. The girls were found at just minutes before midnight. Those two girls laid in a ditch unable to move due to their injuries, for at least five hours - probably closer to six.

Both girls are recovering at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Doctors say, according to mom, they are very, very lucky girls.

According to one of the mothers, the girls were riding a new four-wheeler that a father had recently purchased. A male friend had stayed back at the father's house while the girls took the vehicle for a ride. After the girls hadn't returned for an hour, the father took a ride to see if he could locate them. After several attempts and a couple hours had gone by, he notified the mother and law enforcement and a deputy were dispatched to the home. The mom notified the other girl's mother and they got together with the deputy and questions were asked of the parents to determine if the kids would have run away or sneaked off somewhere.

"She wasn't that type of girl," mom says. "And the other girl has an 8 o'clock curfew and she doesn't mess around with her mom. She does what she's told. I knew this was something different and tried to tell the officer that."

Mom said the deputy told her he would look in the area but couldn't leave his vehicle, according to procedure. The mom asked the deputy to bring in extra help to find the child and the deputy contacted a supervisor who said the deputy could contact air support to see if they could help search the area. The deputy contacted Air Evac and was told that if the girls weren't found by the morning they might be able to help, but are not insured for that type of rescue. The mother hit Facebook to try and gather as many volunteers as she could find to start looking for her lost daughter. Family and
# Obituaries

LEONARD JOSEPH “JOE” FRANTZ

FORT MADISON - Leonard Joseph "Joe" Frantz Jr., 94 years of age, Fort Madison, Iowa died at 9:00 am Friday, July 7, 2017 at the Fort Madison Community Hospital in Fort Madison. He was born December 23, 1922 in Aurora, Illinois, a son of Leonard Joseph Sr. and Florence Edith (Whitaker) Frantz. His family moved to Fort Madison in 1929, and he was a 1941 graduate of Fort Madison High School. He attended the University of Iowa and earned his B.S in Chemistry and MS in Organic Chemistry. He is survived by one sister, Barbara M. Martin of Martinburg, West Virginia, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Thomas Frantz, and one sister Maryora Jean (Senn) Overton. His body has been cremated. Private burial will be at a later date at Oakland Cemetery, Fort Madison. Bear Memorial Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Friends started looking for the missing girls.

At about 11 p.m. a different deputy arrived on rotation and began searching the area from his vehicle. At just minutes before midnight July 6, he found a path where it looked like the vehicle may have left the roadway. He grabbed a spotlight from the cruiser and looked in the area of the path and saw a cat. Upon getting to the vehicle he found the girls about 15 feet away. Rescue efforts began. The girls were carried to the scene but couldn’t land in the area due to no clearing. So they landed at FMCH and Great River Medical Center and the girls were transported in two ambulances to the heli-pads and she utilized to Iowa City where they had to land at the airport and be transported again as the elevator was too small to set up a social media network, under the banner of "renew". Such a movement of a deputy or law enforcement locating someone? Maybe at the direc-

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# Opinion/Classifieds

The Pen City Current encourages you to play responsibly.

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Fort Madison Police Report
07/12/17 - 2:04 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in progress at the corner of 10th Street and Avenue E.
07/12/17 - 2:13 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested David Patrick Mortimer, 52, of Fort Madison, in the 500 block of 10th Street on a charge of attempted burglary-3rd degree and two warrants for probation violation. He was taken to Lee County Jail and held.
07/12/17 - 6:29 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a gas drive off in the 1700 block of Avenue H.
07/12/17 - 9:13 p.m. - Fort Madison Police cited Trevor Paul Driggers, 26, of Fort Madison, in the 2700 block of Avenue K, on a charge of simple assault. He was released.
07/12/17 - 11:30 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Ernest William Sawyer, Jr., 40, of Fort Madison, in the 1100 block of 16th Street on a warrant for failure to appear-domestic abuse. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.
07/13/17 - 11:51 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1200 block of 40th Street.
07/13/17 - 5:19 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 1700 block of Avenue H. Clarissa Dawn Childress, 21, of Fort Madison was cited at the scene for no insurance.
07/13/17 - 5:27 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 800 block of Avenue G.
07/13/17 - 7:05 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2600 block of Avenue L.
07/13/17 - 7:24 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 2700 block of Avenue D.
07/13/17 - 8:14 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a stolen bicycle in the 1400 block of Avenue G.
07/13/17 - 7:41 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of vandalism in the 400 block of 23rd Street.

Lee County Sheriff's Report
07/12/17 - No information to report
07/13/17 - 8:36 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwy 61 and 175th Street. A vehicle driven by Sarah Claudia M. Wilson, 21, of Davenport collided with a vehicle driven by Shannon Ray Todd, 45, of Burlington. According to the report, Todd had to turn west on 175th Street and Wilson failed to change lanes or slow to avoid the collision. No injuries were reported at the scene. Wilson was cited for failure to maintain control. All persons in these listings are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report
07/11/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls
07/12/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call, one burn complaint and one gas line leak.
07/13/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to four medical calls.
07/14/17 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to two medical calls.

For the Record/Weather
5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

SUN Jul 16
- Clear Skies
  - Low – 72.6º F | High – 87.3º F

MON Jul 17
- Partly Sunny
  - Low – 70.9º F | High – 78.3º F

TUE Jul 18
- Clear Skies
  - Low – 80.4º F | High – 90.5º F

WED Jul 19
- Clear Skies
  - Low – 80.4º F | High – 91.0º F

THU Jul 20
- Moderate Rain
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