George Gaudette looks at the inventory in one of the refrigerators at the Fort Madison Food Pantry. Gaudette said during his 12-year tenure the food pantry has seen growth and change.
VICTOR F. RIDDLE

Victor F. Riddle, 83, of Montrose, IA died Thursday, January 25, 2018 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL.

He was born August 2, 1934 in Galland, IA the son of Alec and Elizabeth Weber Riddle. He was united in marriage to Edna Azinger in 1955, she preceded him in death in 1968. He then married Donna Teller on November 7, 1969 in Quincy, IL. She survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Pam Daggs (Matt) of LaGrange, MO and Patty Jackson of Ft. Madison, IA, two sons, Mike Jackson of Montrose, IA and Nick Jackson of Davenport, IA, five grandchildren, Channon Daggs, Ryan Daggs, Jeremy Harris, Dylan Burke and Carlie Jackson and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Paula Riddle Burke, his first wife, Edna Azinger, two grandchildren, Tony Jackson and Nicole Jackson, two brothers, Floyd Riddle and Rolland Riddle.

He had been employed by Hubinger’s/ Roquette for forty years, until his retirement in 1996.

Victor loved visiting with friends and neighbors. He drove around town in his golf cart with his dogs and was eager to stop lend a helping hand wherever he could.

He liked to cook breakfast for his family to enjoy and loved to spend time outdoors golf cart with his dogs and was eager to stop lend a helping hand wherever he could.

He was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan and also NASCAR fan. He especially liked Dale Earnhardt and Dale Jr.

A Gathering of Remembrance for family and friends will be held from 5-8 p.m., Tuesday at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA.

Memorials may be made to PAWS Animal Shelter in Ft. Madison, IA.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com.

ETHEL IRENE AMES

Ethel Irene Ames, 91, of Keokuk, IA, died Saturday, January 27, 2018 at Sunnybrook Assisted Living in Fort Madison, IA.

She was born on June 12, 1926 in Arbela, Mo, the daughter of Francis and Thelma Arthur Burkett. On September 20, 1946, Ethel was united in marriage to Kay W. Ames. He preceded her in death on November 27, 2010.

In her younger years she had been employed at Golden Rule.

Ethel was a lifelong follower of Jesus Christ and had faithfully attended each church where her husband had pastored. She was a member of the Women’s Missionary Society and the Good News Club where she served as secretary.

She enjoyed crafts and also did some sewing. Ethel enjoyed being a wife and mother and was a wonderful example of a Proverbs 31 woman. She delighted in caring for her children, cooking delicious meals for her family and being her husband’s “right hand man.” Ethel truly had a servant’s heart and always put her family and others first. Her sweet, gentle spirit was an inspiration to everyone who knew her.

She is survived by two daughters, Carolyn Rector and husband David of Keokuk and Janie Shipman and husband Doug of Montrose, five grandchildren, Jessica Johnson, Nathan Rector and wife Jayme, Teri Johnson, Leah Hotop and husband Kory and Andy Rector and wife Jesse, nineteen great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband she was also preceded in death by her parents and two sisters. She is survived by two daughters, Carolyn Rector and husband David of Keokuk and Janie Shipman and husband Doug of Montrose, five grandchildren, Jessica Johnson, Nathan Rector and wife Jayme, Teri Johnson, Leah Hotop and husband Kory and Andy Rector and wife Jesse, nineteen great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

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FMMS announces 2nd quarter honor rolls

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON – The Fort Madison Middle School has announced its honor rolls for the 2nd quarter of the 2017-2018 school year. Pen City Current and our advertisers congratulate these students on their hard work and academic accomplishments!

Principal’s Scholar


7th Grade – Ivy Arnold, Mylah Blanchard, Alivia Blint, Isabella Boeding, McKenna Cashman, Lucy Deacon, Kaden Dunn, Carly Fedler, Kencade Fraze, Venus Hunter, Camille Kruse, Emmett Kruse, Londyn McClean, Lauren Otte, Jillian Perry, Kay Quittmem, Piper Schaefer, Tristan Schneider, Ellie Schulte, Emily Steffensmeier, Dalaney Walker, Kane Williams


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Fehseke hits for 29, Schneider throws in 20 as HTC rolls

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC STAFF

DANVILLE - The patience and steady growth of a young HTC team was rewarded Friday night as the Holy Trinity boys basketball team knocked off Danville 82-73 on the road Friday night.

Sophomore Reed Fehseke scored a season-high 29 points to lead the Crusaders, followed by Quentin Schneider’s 20, a season-high for him as well. HTC raced out to a 13-1 lead just four minutes into the first quarter, but the Bears cut the lead to eight 21-29 at the end of the first quarter with the Bears holding a five-point lead. Boeding led Holy Trinity 14-8 the first quarter with the Crusaders down just a point at the end of one.

The game was tight in the second quarter heading into halftime. Boeding led Holy Trinity in the first half with five points including a 3-pointer. Haas was 4-of-4 at the free throw line. The third quarter was even more tightly contested. Both teams put up 14 points, evenly battled as both the Crusaders and Bears hit 7 of 13 on the way to the win.

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The Crusaders move to 4-13 on the season and travel to Wapello on Tuesday. In the junior varsity game, the Crusaders won 61-41 behind Jason Thurman’s 18 points and Jake Eaves’ 16 points.

HTC girls fall short against Bears

BY PCC STAFF
DANVILLE - Junior Taylor Boeding had 15 points and sophomore Ashlyn Haas scored 12 for the HTC Crusaders in a 54-61 loss to Danville in Southeast Iowa Superconference South division girls basketball action Friday night.

The Crusaders are getting limited action from senior Brett Schneider, who’s averaging 15.6 points per game. Schneider is nursing a sore ankle and is playing and practicing sparingly.

The game was tight in the first quarter with the Crusaders down just a point at the end of one 14-13. But the Bears put up a 15-11 advantage in the second quarter to take a 29-24 lead at halftime. Boeding led Holy Trinity in the first half with five points including a 3-pointer. Haas was 4-of-4 at the free throw line. The third quarter was even more tightly contested. Both teams put up 14 points, evenly battled as both the Crusaders and Bears hit 7 of 13 on the way to the win.

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Panthers top FMHS girls

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Bloodhounds got seven points from Sarah Bernhart and five each from Taylor Shannon, Anna Kester, and Braxtyn McGibby in a 26-45 loss in girls Southeast Conference action Friday night at the Hound-Dome.

The Hounds were in the game through three quarters, but a 3-13 run toward the end was too much to overcome as the Hounds fall to 0-17 on the year.

Fort Madison was only down six points at the half 25-19. Their defense held the Panthers to just seven in the third period, but the Hounds could only muster four points themselves and then the Panthers ran away with the game in the final period.

Maddie Rashid had four points to round out Fort Madison’s scoring. Kester and Shannon led the Hounds with six boards each. McGibby and senior Camryn Bailey each had five rebounds for Fort Madison.

The Hounds travel to Central Lee tonight for a girls/boys JV/varsity set before hosting Washington at home on Friday.
Complete results of the tournament are listed below.

Fourth-place finishes at the meet, which

decision over Mt. Pleasant’s Nate Wallace.

Walker, of Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont,

a major decision over Caleb Heisel (Fairfield) 15-16 (MD 15-5).

5th Place Match - Clay Johnston (Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont) 15-15 won by fall over Lennon Barker (Fort Madison) 15-15 (Fall 2:24).

210 lbs - Alex Lauber (7-5) placed 3rd and scored 15.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) 7-0 won by decision over Samuel Zarzaga-Rolles (Clarke) 15-9 (Dec 12-3).

Semifinal - Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) 7-0 by major decision over Reid Walters (Chariton) 22-15 (MD 15-5).

3rd Place Match - Austin Tinkham (Keokuk) 16-17 won by fall over Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) 7-5 (Fall 3:37).

200 lbs - Danen Settles (26-15) placed 5th and scored 11.00 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) 7-5 won by decision over Adan Pfeifer (Fairfield) 10-18 (Fall 1:03).

Quarterfinal - Brandy Axline (Mount Pleasant) 32-17 by decision over Christian Betschart (Mount Pleasant) 30-13 (Dec 12-10).

Semifinal - Mason Schau (Fort Madison) 9-17 won by fall over Alex Axline (Mount Pleasant) 9-17 (Fall 1:27).

3rd Place Match - Joon Koop (Muscatine) 17-24 won by decision over Mason Schau (Fort Madison) 9-17 (Dec 11-4).

110 lbs - Mason Schau (9-17) placed 4th and scored 13.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Braydon Axline (Mount Pleasant) 32-17 by major decision over Mason Schau (Fort Madison) 9-17 (MD 21-16).

Cons. Round 1 - Mason Schau (Fort Madison) 9-17 won by fall over Kevin Brice (Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont) 9-17 (Fall 1:55).

Cons. Round 3 - Danen Settles (Fort Madison) 26-15 won by decision over Alex Lauber (Fort Madison) 7-5 (Fall 1:04).

Barker (Fort Madison) 5-11 (Fall 0:49).

24 lbs - Simon Ball (Davis County) 17-17 won by decision over Dayne Cordray (Fort Madison) 24-18 (Fall 1:10).

120 lbs - Dayne Cordray (24-15) placed 4th and scored 11.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Dayne Cordray (Fort Madison) 24-15 won by decision over Gabe Gordon (Knowledge) 25-15 (Dec 9-2).

Semifinal - Adam Reeves (Albia) 42-0 won by fall over Dayne Cordray (Fort Madison) 24-15 (TF 1-5 2:39 (28-13)).

Cons. Round 2 - Dayne Cordray (Fort Madison) 24-15 won by major decision over Ryan Browning (Fairfield) 14-17 (MD 9-3).

3rd Place Match - Tyler Logsdon (Ed- dyville-Blakesburg-Fremont) 39-9 won by fall over Dayne Cordray (Fort Madison) 24-15 (Fall 1:10).

125 lbs - Ryan Steffenmeier (23-16) placed 2nd and scored 18.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Ryan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 23-16 won by fall over Cameron Butler (Knowledge) 24-19 (Fall 1:01).

Semifinal - Ryan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 24-15 by decision over Tyler Richardson (Ed- dyville-Blakesburg-Fremont) 35-8 (Dec 9-2).

1st Place Match - Kaiden Kastrop-Carpen- ter 35-6 won by fall over Ryan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 23-14 (Fall 2:42).

132 lbs - Nathan Steffenmeier (13-23) placed 5th and scored 11.00 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Nathan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 13-23 received a bye (Bye).

Quarterfinal - Bamett Bonett (Albia) 35-8 won by fall over Nathan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 13-23 (Fall 1:13).

Cons. Round 2 - Nathan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 13-23 received a bye (Bye).

138 lbs - Will Larson (4-26) placed 6th and scored 6.00 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Alex Honne (Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont) 49-4 won by decision over Will Larson (Fort Madison) 4-20 (Fall 3:49).

Cons. Round 1 - Will Larson (Fort Madison) 4-20 received a bye (Bye).

Cons. Round 2 - Simon Ball (Davis County) 17-19 won by fall over Will Larson (Fort Madison) 4-20 (Fall 2:26).

145 lbs - Aaron Steffenmeier (33-11) placed 3rd and scored 22.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Aaron Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 33-11 won by decision over Kenyon McKinney (Keokuk) 31-20 (Dec 6-2).

Semifinal - Aaron Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 33-11 won by decision over Alex Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 33-11 (Dec 7-2).

152 lbs - Harlan Steffenmeier (36-2) placed 1st and scored 24.00 team points.

Quarterfinal - Harlan Steffenmeier (Fort Madison) 36-2 received a bye (Bye).
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present. Also present were
Troxel and DiPrima were
Ross,

Student Services
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Superintendent

President Wondra welcomed
members of the audience in
the High School. Director of Curriculum and
Student Services.

A. Student Rep report.
B. Curriculum Corner.

C. “Did You Know?” The

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Fort Madison Community School Dis-
trict
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Minutes of the Regular
Meeting
January 22, 2018
I. The meeting was called to order by President Wond-
stra at 6:00 p.m. Directors Ross,
Wondra, Young, Hope, Troxel and DiPrima were
present. Also present were
Superintendent Slater, Director of Curriculum and
Student Services Harmon and
Secretary Elmore. Di-
rector Hotop was absent.
II. Recognition of guests. President Wondra welcomed
members of the audience in
attendance and explained the
procedures for the meeting.
III. Reading of previous meeting documents. The Board read
and reviewed the Founda-
tion documents consisting of
the Vision, Mission and
Belief statements and the
Goals for the Fort Madison Community School District.
IV. Monthly communica-
tions
A. Student Rep report. The Board received an up-
date of ongoing activities at
the High School.
B. Curriculum Corner. Director of Curriculum and
Student Services Harmon updated the Board regarding
the recent profession-
al development that had
taken place on January 15th throughout the District.
C. “Did You Know?” The
“Did You Know?” document
was accepted as presented.
D. Superintendent Goal
Report. Superintendent Slater provided an update
on the indicators of progress towards the Board’s estab-
lished goals.
E. District Presentations. Andrew Mitchell shared
information regarding the
national athletic director
conference he attended.
F. Approve the agenda. It was moved by Hope and
seconded by DiPrima to
approve the agenda as present-
ed. The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

V. Consent agenda. It was moved by DiPrima and
seconded by Ross to
approve the consent agenda
as presented. The consent
agenda consisted of minutes
from the December 18, 2017
regular meeting; financial
reports for the monthly bal-
ancesheet, revenue summar-
y, debts summary and activity
report and activity account,
accounts payable for the
December weekly warrants,
January computer warrants,
activity warrants and nutrition funds;
resignations from Jairo
Scurggs at Middle School
associate, Melissa William-
sen as Richardson associate,
Jessica Lesher as Middle School associate and Mark
Kammerer as bus driver;
employment of Ruth Apple-
ton as Richardson bus driver;
employment of Angie Wil-
son as Middle School food service, Christian
Dunn as Richardson asso-
ciate and Nancy Butler as
Lincoln associate; contract
modifications for Angie Wil-
lson, change in hours and
classification. The motion
passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

VI. Action Items
A. Director of Curriculum and
Student Services.
B. Superintendent.

VII. Consent agenda. It
was moved by Young and
seconded by DiPrima to
approve policy #502.7a as
presented. The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

C. Consider approval
of policy 502.2 – Attorney’s
fees and Comprehensive Benefits
package. The Board reviewed policy
#502.2. It was moved by
Ross and seconded by
Troxel to delete policy
502.1-R-1 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

d. Consider approval of
policy 502.3 – Student
Tobacco Possession. It was moved
by DiPrima and seconded by
Ross to delete policy
502.7a as presented. The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

f. Consider approval of
policy 502.7b – Alcohol
Use/Drug Abuse by Stu-
dents. The Board reviewed policy
#502.7b. It was moved by
DiPrima and seconded by
Ross to delete policy
502.7a as presented. The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

j. Consider approval of
policy 502.8-R-2 – Stu-
dent Searches. The Board
reviewed policy #502.8-R-2. It was
moved by Young and seconded by
DiPrima to delete policy
502.8-R-2 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

k. Consider approval of
policy 502.8-R-3 – Stu-
dent Searches. The Board
reviewed policy #502.8-R-3. It was
moved by Hope and seconded by
Troxel to approve policy
502.8-R-3 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

l. Consider approval of
policy 502.8-E-2 – Notice.
The Board reviewed policy
#502.8-E-2. It was moved by
Young and seconded by
DiPrima to delete policy
502.8-E-2 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

m. Consider approval of
policy 503.1 – Student Con-
duct. The Board reviewed policy
#503.1. It was moved by
Ross and seconded by
DiPrima to approve policy
503.1 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

n. Consider approval of
policy 503.1-R-1 – Student
Tobacco Possession. The
Board reviewed policy
#503.1-R-1. It was moved by
DiPrima and seconded by
Troxel to approve policy
503.1-R-1 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

Invalidity of policy 502.7b as presented. The motion
passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

e. Consider approval of
policy 502.7b – Alcohol
Use/Drug Abuse by Stu-
dents. The Board reviewed policy
#502.7b as presented. The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

g. Consider approval of
policy 502.7b – Alcohol
Use/Drug Abuse by Stu-
dents. The Board reviewed policy
#502.7b as presented. The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

h. Consider approval of
policy 502.8 – Search and
Seizure. The Board re-
viewed policy #502.8. It was
moved by Hope and sec-
onded by Troxel to approve policy
502.8 as presented.
The motion passed on a
6-0 voice vote.

i. Consider approval of
policy 502.8-E-2 – Notice.
The Board reviewed policy
#502.8-E-2. It was moved by
Young and seconded by
DiPrima to delete policy
502.8-E-2 as presented.
The motion passed on a
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Suspension. The Board reviewed policy #503.1-R. It was moved by Young and seconded by Tresler to approve policy #503.1-R as presented. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

o. Consider approval of policy 503.2 – Student Expulsion. The Board reviewed policy #503.2. It was moved by Young and seconded by Hope to approve policy 503.2 as presented. The motion passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

C. Board Secretary/Business Manager:

1. Resolution Ordering a Special Election on the Issuance of $30,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds.

The President submitted the Petition to the Board which examined the Petition. 663 qualified electors voted at the last election of school officials; the number of eligible electors who have signed the petition is 193.

Director Hope introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption.

Director Ross seconded introduction of the motion. The motion was adopted.

Resolution Passed on 12-19-18 at 7:48 PM

WHEREAS, there has been filed with the President of this Board a Petition of eligible electors of this School District asking that an election be called to submit the question of contract- ing indebtedness and issuing bonds of the School District in an amount not to exceed $30,000,000 to provide funds to build, construct, furnish and equip a new elementary building to be constructed, build, furnish and equip a baseball and softball athletic facility; and

WHEREAS, this Board has examined the Petition and finds that it is signed by eligible electors of the School District numbering at least 25% of those voting at the last election of school officials and that the purposes set forth in the petition cannot be accomplished within the limits of one and one-quarter percent of the assessed value of the taxable property in the School District.

WHEREAS, the proposal for the issuance of Bonds or any other proposal incorporated in the Petition not or will not have been submitted to the qualified electors of the School District for a period of at least six months prior to the date of election being called in these Proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the FORT MADISON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTRIES OF LEE, HENRY AND DES MOINES, STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. That an election is hereby called of the qualified electors of the Fort Madison Community School District in the Counties of Lee, Henry and Des Moines, State of Iowa, on Tuesday, April 3, 2018. The following Proposition is approved, and the Secretary is authorized and directed to submit and file the Proposition for the Ballot among the School County Commissioners of Elections at least 46 days prior to the election:

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

YES [ ] NO [ ]

Proposition A

Shall the Board of Directors of the Fort Madison Community School District in the Counties of Lee, Henry and Des Moines, State of Iowa, be authorized to contract indebtedness and issue General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed $30,000,000 to provide funds to build, construct, furnish and equip a new elementary building to be constructed, build, furnish and equip a baseball and softball athletic facility? [END OF BALLOT LANGUAGE]

Section 2. That the notice of election and ballot form used at the election shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Iowa Code and Iowa Administrative Rules. The District requests the polls will open at 12:00 Noon and close at 8:00 PM.

Section 3. That the Election Board for the voting precinct or precincts be appointed by the County Commissioner of Elections not less than 15 days before the date of the election, a certified copy of which appointment shall be officially placed on file in the office of the Secretary.

Section 4. The Commissioner of Elections is requested and directed to make publication of the Notice of Election at least once, not less than four days nor more than twenty days prior to the date of the election, in a legal newspaper, printed wholly in the English language, as defined by Iowa Code Section 618.3.

Section 5. The Daily Democrat, a legal newspaper, is published within the District and is hereby designated to make the publication of the Notice of Election.

Section 6. Lee County, Iowa is the control county of this School District; this election will be conducted and supervised by the County Auditor as Commissioner of Elections.

Section 7. That the County Commissioner of Elections shall prepare all ballots and election registers and other supplies as necessary for the proper and legal conduct of this election and the Secretary of the Board is authorized and directed to cooperate with the Commissioner of Elections in the preparation of the necessary proceedings.

Section 8. That the Secretary is directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution in the Office of the County Commissioner of Elections to constitute the “written notice” to the County Commissioner of Elections of the election date, required to be given by the governing body under the provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 47.

PASSED AND AP-PROVED this 22nd day of January, 2018.

VIII. Discussion Items

A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services

1. 2017-2018 Calendar Update. Director of Curriculum and Student Services

Harmon updated the Board that the snow make up day will be held on 5/31/18 with a 1:00 p.m. dismissal for students. Thus making 5/31/18 a full attendance day for students. The teachers last work day will be 6/18 with an 11:30 a.m. release. Consent was given by the Board to adjust the calendar days. Communication to the FMCSD community will be forthcoming.

2. 2018-2019 Upcoming Calendar Discussion. Director of Curriculum and Student Services

Harmon updated the Board on the current status of the calendar committee and the work towards completing the 2018-2019 Calendar.

B. Superintendent

1. Reviewed policy #507.1 – 507-4-R and 607.2 and 607-2-R. The Board reviewed policy #507.1 – 507-4-R and 607.2 and 607-2-R. These policies will be brought back at a later meeting for final approval.

2. Schedule February building instructional tour. The Board will tour the Preschools on February 6th at 10:00 a.m. The Board will tour the Central Offices and other facilities and grounds on March 13th at 10:00 a.m. Certified Employee Attendance report will be reviewed and accepted as presented.

4. Board Member Attendance. The Board reviewed and discussed the Board Member Attendance report. The Board will hold a meeting to approve the Certified Attendance report. The certified staff attendance report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

5. Discuss Superintendent Evaluation process. President Young distributed the evaluation document for Board Members to complete and return for compilation. A closed session will be held on February 20, 2018 to conduct the Mid-Year Superintendent evaluation.

6. Board Secretary/Business Manager

1. Discuss certified budget approval meeting date. The Public Hearing and Special Meeting to approve the Certified Budget will be held on April 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

IX. Comments from the audience. There were none.

Y. Legislative Update. The Board received a legislative update.

XI. Announcements. The Board will hold a meeting on Tuesday, Febru-
ary 20, 2018, 6:00 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

Lee County, Iowa Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting

Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 30, 2018

Meeting Time: 9:00 A.M.

Public Hearing and Special Meeting

Meeting Location: 2345 30th Street, Montrose, IA 52639

Agenda

A. Proceedings

1. Adopt Resolution To Approve Agenda

2. Adjourn to Closed Session

Adjourned at 8:09 p.m. president

President

Secretary
Consider Approval of Claims
Public Input
Consider Approval to Replace Class II Road Maintenance Position in Secondary Roads Consider Approval of Tax Abatements (9)
Personnel Action:
A. Position Transfer-Secondary Roads
B. Step Increase-Secondary Roads
Reports:
A. Recorder’s Report of Fees Collected
Commission or Committee Reports
Adjourn
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so I went to college, a couple different ones actually, and got my teaching certificate," Gaudette said.

From there, he ended up in Washington D.C. teaching at all black schools in the district.

"I was the only white guy in the place," he said. "And it was very interesting. I would spend sometimes three hours a night preparing for class. I taught different things like history, English, and wherever they needed me."

It was in the district that he met his wife, Mary Ann, who was also employed by the district. He said they have been married now for close to 15 years.

He said the food pantry has undergone many changes during his leadership, including going from the sub-basement at the United Methodist Church to the current location in the former Ivo Fowler Library across from McDonald’s on Business 61.

"When we were in there, we really had no space. There were a lot of small food pantries around the area and really you just came to the door and we handed you a bag of food. That was how it worked."

He said there was very little refrigeration at the church and food had to be cycled quickly between the time it was received and the time it was handed out.

Now, at the library, the pantry has more space and can work the pantry more like a grocery where volunteers can help residents pick the food they need and point them to healthier options like produce.

"It’s been very well received since we made that change. Now they feel like they’re shopping instead of just getting a bag of food."

The food pantry on Wednesday was given funds from the United Way of the Great River Region and at the luncheon, Gaudette informed the crowd that just in the past year, the pantry has served more than 275 more people than the previous year.

The food pantry reports inventories and participants to the Iowa Food Bank, who brings food down to Fort Madison on a regular basis. But the amount they bring has increased steadily to help the local areas. The Food Bank truck, which also sets up a mobile bank for residents in the Shopko parking lot, brings about 7,000 pounds of food on each delivery and the pantry is only charged .07 per pound.

PANTRY NEED KEEPS GROWING

George Gaudette will be stepping aside as the head of the Fort Madison Food Pantry in February. Gaudette has been the face of the organization for the past 12 years.

LEE COUNTY – Raffle tickets for Lee County Pheasants Forever 25 Gun Raffle are available from any club member or at the banquet. Tickets are $10 each and are limited to 3,000. The raffle will be held during the chapter’s annual banquet on February 24, 2018. Proceeds from the raffle are used to support the Tri-State Young Guns and Fort Madison Clay Crushers High School Trap Shooting Teams. For more information about the raffle, go to http://www.leecountypf.org/raffles/.

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