## Train derails on BNSF railway line

**Union Pacific says no cargo spills and no injuries**

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

LEE COUNTY - Burlington Northern Santa Fe crews were on the scene of a multi-car derailment in Lee County Monday morning.

The derailment occurred south of Fort Madison about 1/4 mile east of the overpass near the Lee County Sheriff’s Department just off Highway 61 northbound lanes.

About a dozen BNSF vehicles were on the scene at about 1:30 p.m. on Monday and BNSF security had cordoned off the site. A security officer on scene said he didn’t know what caused the derailment and referred all inquiries to the media relations on the BNSF website. He said he had been called to the scene prior to noon.

Andy Williams, BNSF’s Director of Media Affairs for Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, and Nebraska, said the derailment occurred at about 11:25 a.m. but said it was an eastbound Union Pacific train so he couldn’t comment on the specifics of the cargo or any injuries.

“We contract with a heavy equipment operator Hoeischler Trucking out of St. Louis,” he said. “They should be on the scene shortly and they are very capable.”

Burlington Northern Santa Fe workers tend to a derailment just east of the Hwy. 61 overpass near the Lee County Sheriff’s Department Monday at about 1:30 p.m.

Williams also said some train traffic is being rerouted and some trains that aren’t time-sensitive are being held.

No cargo containers appeared to have tipped over in the derailment, but several CSX and CR England cargo containers were off the rails and pointed eastward down on the north side of the tracks.

Kristen South, Regional Media Director for Union Pacific said no injuries were sustained as a result of the derailment and no cargo was spilled. South said the train was an eastbound train originating from California and was on its way to Chicago. She said UP officials are still investigating the cause of the derailment as well, but no information was available.

Outgoing Lee County Chairman Rick Larkin gives instructions to residents at the Lee County Democratic mid-term caucus Monday night at Fort Madison High School.

## Residents spend snowy night on caucus politics

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - About 60 Lee County residents plow through a late afternoon snow to decide who would serve on platform committees and central committee at Monday night’s mid-term caucuses.

The Lee County Republicans met at the Comfort Inn and Suites on the west end of town with about 20 people.

One of the members of the caucus was Dylan Keller, a 25-year-old from Donnellson who’s currently on the state GOP payroll as the senate majority fund finance director. Keller was in Lee County to caucus with his home precinct in hopes of getting back to the state convention floor.

“It’s the first part of a long process to get to state convention,” Keller said. “The first step is at the precinct level to get to county and from there work hard and hopefully get to the district and state convention floor where we can hopefully secure Reynolds

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CURRENT-LEE

FMHS Boosters Trivia Night Feb. 10

FORT MADISON - The Fort Madison Bloodhound Boosters are holding a Trivia Night on Feb. 10 at the Fort Madison Eagles Club from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. The night will feature a full trivia contest in addition to a silent auction and other games for cash prizes. Teams are to be no more than eight people at $10 per person. Participants are encouraged to bring snacks for their team table. A cash bar will be available.

Proceeds go to benefit the Fort Madison Athletic Booster club. The first 15 teams to register will receive an advantage on trivia night. You can register at the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1v5L-aKlEXPmiHv1-D4GkG6hSyKfuhXf9nD/edit. Forms need to be returned to FMHS athletic office or to a Booster club member.

Pheasants Forever raffle tickets available now

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.leecountyptp.org/raffles/.

OBITUARIES

DAVID “DAN” DIVELEY


He was born April 28, 1948 in Bremerton, WA the son of Jack & Glendola White Diveley. On May 31, 1984 he was united in marriage to Jill Boehm Bode in Jefferson City, MO. She survives.

Other survivors include, two daughters, Natalie (Matt) Little of Moro, IL and Nikkie Hansberry Vandy-G riff of East Alton, IL and one step-son, Troy Bode of Keokuk, six grandchildren, Abbey, Paige and Peyton Little, Ryan and Gauge Kite and Seth Bode, three brothers, Terry (Deb) Diveley of IL, Keith (Bobbie) Diveley of IL and Kent Diveley of FL and three sisters, Sandy Clark of N.C., Pam (Steve) Purcell of TN and Sherri (Rich) Strohmeyer of IL.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Diveley and father-in-law, Rex Boehm.

Dan graduated from South Roxana High School in Roxana, IL. He then furthered his education and attended Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville, IL. Dan proudly served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War and had served on the USS America.

Dan had been employed by several construction companies through the years. He worked for the Missouri Department of Corrections in Jefferson City, MO during most of his later years.

Dan was an outdoorsman and loved hunting and fishing. He was an avid Kansas City Chiefs fan and never missed watching a game.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vigenmemorialhome.com

OBITUARIES

RICHARD L. HILL

Richard L. Hill, age 72 of Montrose, passed away at 3:22 PM on Monday, February 5, 2018 at Great River Medical Center. Arrangements are pending at King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory.

MARY L. HITCH

Mary L. Hitch, age 89 of Ft. Madison passed away at 2:40 AM on Monday, February 5, 2018. Arrangements are pending at King-Lynk Funeral Home.
For the Record

For the Record
02/03/18 - 1:40 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2100 block of Avenue E. 02/02/18 - 12:37 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 500 block of 10th Street. 02/03/18 - 12:04 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft on Formad Industries Drive. 02/03/18 - 12:08 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a gas drive off in the 1200 block of Avenue H. 02/03/18 - 12:09 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1700 block of Avenue H. 02/02/18 - 12:14 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a personal injury accident in the 1200 block of Avenue H. 02/02/18 - 4:22 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a personal injury accident in the 5300 block of Avenue O. 02/03/18 - 12:04 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of shoplifting in the 1000 block of Avenue H. 02/04/18 - 11:47 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1000 block of Avenue H. 02/04/18 - 11:43 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of shoplifting in the 5800 block of Avenue O. 02/05/18 - 2:22 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a hit and run in the 1000 block of Avenue H. 02/04/18 - 9:54 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 5800 block of Avenue H. 02/02/18 - 9:54 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1500 block of Avenue H. 02/01/18 - 8:35 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 1200 block of Avenue K. 02/01/18 - 3:56 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 1200 block of Avenue H. 02/01/18 - 3:56 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 2200 block of Avenue D. 02/04/18 - 3:51 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 3900 block of Bluff Road. 02/01/18 - 1:40 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of larceny/theft in the 2600 block of Hwy. 2. 02/01/18 - 11:34 a.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 500 block of 10th Street. 02/01/18 - 12:37 p.m. - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 5800 block of Avenue H.

For the Record

Lee County Sheriff's report
02/01/18 - 11:14 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Terry Lee Hackaday, 52, of Keokuk, at the North Lee County Courthouse on warrants for failure to appear and providing false information. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on bond. 02/02/18 - 10:42 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Tracy Dean Terry, 48, of Keosauqua, at the sheriff's office on a judgement hold. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 02/01/18 - 8:35 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Mathew Rohan Boon, 32, of Fort Madison, at the North Lee County Courthouse on warrants for failure to appear and providing false information. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on bond. 02/02/18 - 9:54 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jeremy James Oliver, 24, of Keokuk, in the 1800 block of Blondeau Street, on a warrant for violation of probation. 02/03/18 - 10:04 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Shavaya Lee Smith, 26, of the Des Moines County Jail on three warrants for failure to appear and a judge- ment hold. He was released upon citation. See RECORD, page 8

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Davis leads FMMS 8th graders to Thursday win

FORT MADISON - Dayton Davis fired in 13 points and Leighton Rockhold scored a dozen as the Fort Madison Middle School eighth grade team knocked off Washington 39-33 Thursday in Fort Madison.

Miles Dear put in eight points and Landes Williams and Tate Johnson each scored three points for Fort Madison.

Rockhold had six rebounds and Davis had four for Fort Madison in the A-game. Davis also had four steals to lead the Hounds. Dear had three boards while Williams and Johnson each had two.

Passport fees on the rise

FORT MADISON - According to Lee County Auditor, beginning Monday, April 2, 2018 the acceptance fee for passports will increase from $25 to $35. This increase is implemented through the Department of State. Other fees for passport application services will remain the same. Questions can be answered Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30 by calling 319-372-3705.

Loebsack staffer holds local office hours

WASHINGTON – Congressman Dave Loebsack will have a member of his staff in Southeastern Iowa for open office hours.

Jared Hersberger, Loebsack’s District Representative, will be at the following locations. Hersberger will be on hand to work with individuals who are having difficulty with a government agency, have suggestions for Dave, or would just like to share their concerns. Members of the public are invited to attend. Hersberger holds regular office hours throughout Iowa.

If residents are unable to attend but have a concern to share with the Congressman, please call our district office toll-free at 1-866-914-IOWA (4692).

Hersberger’s schedule for February is as follows:

- Tuesday, February 6
  Burlington City Hall
  400 Washington Street
  10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

- Tuesday, February 8
  Fort Madison City Hall
  811 Avenue E
  10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
  Keokuk City Hall
  415 Blondeau Street
  1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

- Tuesday, February 13
  Burlington City Hall
  400 Washington Street
  10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

- Tuesday, February 20
  Burlington City Hall
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  10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
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Chair says Democrats have lots of work to do

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Nomination for the GOP the first time and then secure Adam Gregg as her LG from the floor. So that's my goal here.”

The Lee County Democrats met at the Fort Madison High School's multi-purpose room where close to 40 registered Democrats also selected county and platform delegates for the March 10 county convention.

Outgoing county Democratic chair Rick Larkin read a letter from Iowa Democratic Chair Tony Price indicating it was a critical time for Democrats to take action

"We have our work cut out for us this year: taking back the Iowa House and Senate, electing four Democrats to Congress, electing strong Democrats to all offices - from the courthouse to the statehouse and - of course - putting a Democrat back in the Governor's office," Pryce wrote.

Lee County Republicans met at the Comfort Inn and Suites on Monday and encouraged those in attendance to think about potential candidates for local and state offices.

For the Record

Moment held. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held 02/04/18 - 7:20 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Crystal Lynn Kline, 33, of Fort Madison on a warrant for probation violation and charges of possession of a controlled substance, providing false identification, interference with official acts, no insurance, fraudulent use of registration and leaving the scene of a property damage accident. 02/05/18 - 12:55 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on Bluff Road. A vehicle driven by Zachary Robert Stout, 27, of Haslet, Texas, had struck a deer. No injuries or citations were issued at the scene.

Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue report

02/03/18 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to one medical call, one lift assist and one chimney fire.

02/03/18 - Fort Madison firefighters responded to 10 medical calls.

5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

TUE 06 Feb ____________________________
Snow
High – 9.4° F | Low – 8.6° F

WED 07 Feb ____________________________
Light Snow
High – 12.3° F | Low – (-3.4)° F

THU 08 Feb ____________________________
Light Snow
High – 12.3° F | Low – (-3.4)° F

FRI 09 Feb ____________________________
Snow
High – 23.6° F | Low – 19.4° F

SAT 10 Feb ____________________________
Snow
High – 31.4° F | Low – 28.7° F

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