FMMS students win science awards

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - Whether they were trying to help locate ladybugs, extend the life of drone batteries, or even finding which acne medicine in the best - about 30 seventh and eighth graders put their best projects forward on Monday.

At the Fort Madison Middle School Science Fair, students presented their projects for consideration of judges, parents, and fellow students for most of the day with three winning cash prizes, medals, and even a large stuffed animal for the winning student's classroom.

The event was sponsored by Axalta Coating and Elliott Test Kitchen.

Above, Hayden Wolfe stands with his project on the effect of weight on drone batteries. Wolfe's project won 2nd place at the Fort Madison Middle School's Science Fair Monday. Below left, Madison Meyer on drone batteries. Wolfe's project won 2nd place at the Fort Madison Middle School's Science Fair Monday.

Eighth grader Hayden Wolfe looked into how extra weight would impact the batteries of drones. Wolfe added lead fishing weights to a string and hovered a drone to see how the weight impacted the battery.

He said the batteries' life reduced proportionately with the increased weight. He hovered the drones for the same amount of time as the control and then tried different weights as the variable in the experiment. However he saw other patterns in the study, as well as coming up with commercial applications for the study.

The battery, which is measured in milliamps, can also be affected by weather and wind, but he has tried different weights with different people move at different paces” said Executive Officer Rebecca Bowker. “So this time around we are giving the option of taking a self-guided tour or being part of a group.”

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FORT MADISON — The Fort Madison Community Hospital Foundation's Board of Directors has selected Chuck Osmanski as the President of the Board effective January 26th, 2018. He will serve a two-year term, replacing JoAnn Lampe. Osmanski has been a member of the Foundation Board since 2012. Osmanski is an active member of the community. He retired as the Store Director of the Fort Madison Hy-Vee in 2013.

“I am honored to have been selected as the President of the Fort Madison Community Hospital Foundation Board of Directors. I congratulate JoAnn Lampe on the announcement of her joining the FMCH Hospital Board of Directors. She has done a tremendous job for the Foundation. I pledge to continue to guide the Foundation on our mission, to financially support the mission of the Fort Madison Community Hospital for generations to come. We have a fantastic board of directors and I am looking forward to continuing working with them,” Osmanski said.

The FMCH Foundation Board of Directors is made up of 13 community members who volunteer their time to guide and assist the foundation in raising funds to support the work of Fort Madison Community Hospital.

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ROSE EVELENE CORBIN

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She was born on April 14, 1927 in Kirksville, MO to Thomas F. and Ina D. Steele Bailey. Rose married Raymond Corbin and he preceded her in death. She enjoyed bingo, country music and watching TV, especially baseball.

Rose Evelene was the last survivor of her family. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one brother and two sisters. Per her wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory and a private graveside service will be held in Oakland Cemetery. Online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com.

CURRENT-LEE

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.leecountypf.org/raffles/.

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Lee County Sheriff’s Report
02/08/18 - No time - Lee County sheriff’s deputies arrested Jonathan Michael Phillips, 18, of Carthage, Ill., on warrants for failure to appear. He was later released on bond.

02/08/18 - Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a stolen vehicle in the 1000 block of Hwy. 2.

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Win sets up Thursday night tussle with 18-3 IMS in Kalona

The boys came out a little nervous in the first quarter as you could see, but they were really loose in the locker room,” head coach John Hellige said after the game. “But this will will give them an opportunity to see a really high caliber team in IMS.”

W-MU jumped out a quick 5-2 lead on a three pointer by Daunte Oepping and a bucket by Cody McCreight, HTC Matt Hellige countered inside and then converted the front end of a one-and-one to make it 5-3. He had another left handed spin move inside on the next possession to tie the game at five, scoring all Holy Trinity’s first five points.

The Crusaders wouldn’t trail again in the first quarter, but did allow the Wolves to tie it up on two different occasions, before taking a 13-11 lead into the second quarter. Hellige had seven points to lead Holy Trinity. HTC was able to capitalize on some very chilly shooting on the part of the Wolves who went just 4 of 16 missing in a wide array of shots inside and long range. HTC shot 5 of 8 from the field in the second quarter, but committed seven turnovers. Sophomore Reed Fehseke hit on three 3-pointers in the period to lead the Crusaders. Quentin Schneider had four in the second quarter, one of which was nice move inside from right baseline where he finished with a left handed fingerroll that just cleared the rim and dropped in.

The Wolves warmed up a little after trailing 19-27 at the break, hitting on 6 of 14 from the field and only committed one turnover in the period. They closed the gap to seven at 36-29 with just about three minutes left in the quarter when Mitchell Niebuhr converted the back end of a one-and-one and BJ Rogers converted a 3-point when he scored and was fouled by HTC junior Brant Holtkamp. But Holtkamp redeemed himself on the next possession when he hit for three from the right baseline just before the break. Holtkamp would hit another three pointer the rest of Monday night’s 60-50 win in district sectionals.

Sophomore Quentin Schneider goes for a couple of his 17 on the night in the second quarter of Monday’s action against Winfield Mt. Union.

Schneider, who got whistled for an intentional foul just after the fourth period, has quietly become a player averaging double figures for the Crusaders in the second half of the season. “He’s got an accelerator for sure. He’s a great athlete who can jump and score but like most of the kids on this team, they’re having some trouble finding the brake,” he said. Schneider said the improvement in his game has come just from hard work.

“I just come out and try to play the best I can every night,” he said. “I try to do my best on every play and I work hard in practice so I can help my team.”

The sophomore was a state runner for the Fort Madison boys track squad and also plays baseball for HTC and football for Fort Madison.

Feheseke finished with 15 points on the night and Hellige had 12 and senior Collin Thornton had 10 to round out the Crusaders in double figures. Thornton went 7-11 from the free throw line including 4 of 6 in the final 1:15 to help seal the win for HTC. Holtkamp had six points in the win. McCreight had 15 for the Wolves who ended their season at 3-19.
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said he tried to take wind out of the experiment by hovering as still as possible for a predetermined amount of time.

"The kind of weather the drone is flying in can have an impact on the battery life," Wolfe said. "But I think the results can be used maybe to help people know how long a battery life they would have when they put a camera or something on the drone. Or it could help the battery companies make better batteries."

Wolfe was awarded a trophy from Axalta and $50 cash for his second place finish at the fair. Colton Durbin and Tristin Schneider created "oven" boxes lined inside with aluminum foil and then placed 10 kernels of corn in each box. The first box they placed under direct sunlight. The outside box popped six of the kernels after one hour and the inside box popped two.

Madison Meyer created a project that looked at the cost and effectiveness of acne cream.

"Lots of teens have trouble with acne so I wanted to do an experiment where I might be able to find out which one is the best," she said. She tested three creams and LaRoche-Posay performed the best at eliminating bacteria, but it was also the most expensive cream.

"So I guess if you want to get the best cream, you're gonna have to spend a little more money," she said.

Silvia Jerden got creative with lady bugs and tried to find out what common noises increase activity among the bugs. She said she placed familiar sounds on the top of a box containing the red bugs and said of the 10 sounds she applied to the bugs, car noises elicited the biggest response.

"If you wanted to bring some lady bugs into your garden you might be able to use some piped in car noise or take your cell phone around the yard playing the noise and that might attract the bugs," Jerden said. Her project was selected for third place and she won a trophy and a $25 cash prize.

A project on which toilet paper dissolves the quickest in water was awarded the top $75 prize due to the environmental impact of the research. The project looked at which single and two-ply paper dissolved the quickest in septic and sewer systems. Scott's single-ply had the best dissolve rate.

The project also earned Kelly Hackett's science class the traveling moose trophy donated by Elliott Test Kitchen. The traveling trophy will move with the first-place winner of upcoming year's science fairs.

Other members of the board include: Jim Gerdts; Ann Menke; JoAnn Lampe; Kevin Rink; Bob Huffman, Jr.; Jenny Steffensmeier; Rachel Benda; Eric Boeding; Sharon Scholl-Nabuls; Lynn Hoyer; Becky Fullenkamp; and Marilyn Holmes.

The FMCH Foundation manages monetary donations made to FMCH. This fund-raising arm of the hospital actively works to build a strong endowment fund to be used for future projects at FMCH. The endowment fund has recently achieved the $3.0 million mark.

"We are very fortunate to have a strong Foundation Board of Directors dedicated to the continuing success of Fort Madison Community Hospital. They generously give of their time to increase the awareness of the Foundation and build upon our existing funds," said Carrie Green, Executive Director, FMCH Foundation.