**RiverFest 2019 ready to roll**

*Kachunga and the Alligator bring quiver to the river*

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG   
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON — It’s okay to go to the water’s edge at RiverFest 2019 to skip a rock or enjoy the vista, but during this year’s festival stay in your seat at the Kachunga and the Alligator Show.

Billed by the Detroit News as “The #1 reason to attend the Michigan State Fair!”, the committee for RiverFest 2019 Presented by Frank Millard & Co., Inc., has brought an American bushman to Riverview Park to wrestle to 300lbs of reptile, right in your face.

Kachunga bushman Bert Lucas says the 25-minute shows will be educational, with a little bit of humor and a lot of caution.

One of the alligators in the show this week has only been with the program for two months and is still very wild. “We have one that is just two months with us, and the other one we’ve had for about a year. The one that was caught two months ago has never been used in a show, so in his mind he’s gonna die and he’s going to defend himself with his life,” Lucas said.

He said fans will hear, and actually see, how the defense mechanisms are triggered with American alligators, which he said is geared toward a better understanding of their instincts and behaviors.

That understanding will help protect people who venture into the southeastern United States on vacations and trips to stay safe when around those waterways.

Lucas said there were three fatalities with alligators in the US last year alone, and four years ago a two-year-old boy was killed at a Disney World resort.

“Florida has seen their fare share of attacks and fatalities,” he said. “One of the more prominent one was four years ago when a family from Nebraska was visiting Disney World staying at a resort and the boy was killed by a 7-foot alligator.”

Lucas said the boy got down close to a water’s edge on the resort at about dusk when alligators get active and the tragedy occurred.

“As a result of people feeding alligators...”

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**City Manager could have new police chief picked by Friday**

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG   
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – Fort Madison City Manager David Varley said the city could have a new police chief selected by the end of the week.

Varley said Wednesday morning that the candidate pool was narrowed down to three with panel interviews being conducted on those three candidates. None of the three are currently within the city’s police department.

The city had hired an outside firm to narrow the list of candidates and he took that list to the city’s Civil Service Commission meeting and they narrowed that list to six. Varley, who according to city code has authority to hire the police chief, confirmed that some of the six that made it to his desk are currently on the police department.

Varley said he couldn’t at this point, make any additional comments on the candidates, but said he pared the list down to three.

He said the candidates have requested that the process be done confidentially in part because the candidates currently have positions.

“I can’t tell you much because when this stuff gets out it hurts the city, but I can tell you that when I’m ready to make an announcement I’ll send an email to council and then we’ll send a press release out.”

Varley said he had a few more calls to make and some negotiating to finish up.

“But if everything works out within two days I should know something final,” he said.

He said the person could be in place by Sept. 1 and

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**Central Lee dads and sons now share memory of state baseball tournament.**

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OBITUARIES

RAYMOND L. DONALDSON


He was born on October 9, 1959 in Burlington, IA to Edward and Betty Graham Donaldson. Ray worked production at Metromail and Hawkeye Steel in Houghton. He enjoyed mushrooming, hunting, fishing, racing, camping, shooting pool for the Eagles and riding his motorcycle. His favorite movie was Avatar.

Survivors include three brothers, Robert (Joyce) Donaldson, Ryan Donaldson and Richard (Cammie) Donaldson all of Ft. Madison; seven nephews and ten nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Regina. Even though Raymond never had any children he had a cat named buddy that mirrored him.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at 5 PM at the Ft. Madison Eagles Club. Per his wishes, cremation has been entrusted to King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory and online condolences may be left at www.kinglynk.com

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With this vote this council allocated $50,000.00 to pay for the six month salary and benefits for a deputy to be onsite at the FMPD. In addition this same deputy would receive a weekly stipend of $250. The other two deputes would receive weekly stipends $190 and $150. That adds up to $590 per week, $2,360 per month and $14,160 for the six months. That would total $64,160 allocated for the sheriff’s department for the six months, which would be approximately $10,693.33 per month being paid to the sheriff’s department. Ironically, the city manager has found plenty of the tax payers money for the sheriff that he could not find for the prior chiefs. Refer to the Monday, May 20, article in the Daily Democrat titled, ‘Votes will allow Sheriff to oversee FMPD’. Elected officials should not be allowed to use their positions of authority for their own personal agendas. The use of “false narratives” gives an inaccurate and self-serving depiction of our police department. The real problem lies within our city officials who choose to use micromanagement as a form of control.

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**Sports/From the Front**

**Powers, Williams named to Southeast 1st team**

**BY ETHAN LILLARD**

**PCC SPORTS**

FORT MADISON – The Southeast Conference all-conference selections for softball were released today with a Fort Madison or Keokuk player on each of the list.

Olivia Williams and Cassie Powers were both named first team all-conference. Ironically enough, Powers and Williams made up the pitching/catching combo for the Bloodhounds many nights.

Williams led Fort Madison at the plate with a batting average of .398. She also led in on base percentage at a clip of .483, slugging percentage at .469 percent, hits with 39, tied for first in runs with 18 scored and was second on the team in RBIs with 14.

Powers, the Hounds’ ace, led in every pitching category with a 3.618 ERA, 1.337 WHIP and collected 103 strikeouts with a final record of 6-8. Powers also finished in the top five on the team in hits on the season and was top five in RBIs with 11.

Vanessa Golowach and Kaitlyn Dennis both made the second team all-conference list for Fort Madison, while Abby Arrowood and Abby Thompson from Keokuk also finished on the second team list.

Golowach was third in hitting for the Bloodhounds with a batting average of .338, fourth in OBP at a .420 clip and was third in slugging percentage at .380. She also finished third on the team with 24 hits on the year. Dennis was fifth on the Bloodhounds with a batting average of .321 and was second with an OBP of .457. She was also the second-best pitcher in Fort Madison’s rotation, finishing the season with a record of 6-7. She had a final ERA of 3.614, a WHIP of 1.479 and collected 41 strikeouts.

Allison Helmick and Maycee Featherringill were named honorable mention, while Keokuk’s Gracie Koeber and Erika Kruse were also named honorable mention.

Five different Bloodhounds made the academic all-conference list. Ivy Geerdes, Vanessa Golowach, Cassie Powers, Olivia Williams and Dalyn Wondra were all named to the academic list for Fort Madison, while Gracie Koeber made the academic list for Keokuk.

**City would end 28E three months early**

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possibly earlier if everything falls into place.

Lee County Sheriff Stacy Weber has been serving as interim police chief since former Chief Tim Sittig resigned at the end of May. The Lee County Supervisors signed a six-month 28E agreement with the city for the services, but Varley said at the outset he was hoping three months would be more doable.

The city has been paying the county about $8,500 per month for the services of the sheriff’s department, a figure close to what the city would have been paying for a full-time police chief.

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Central Lee dads and sons share state memory

DONNELLSON - Many fathers dream that one day their son or daughter will not only follow in their footsteps, but be even better at everything they do in life.

Jason Hawk and Jason Hopp set the bar high for their father’s footsteps, as Central Lee was back in the state tournament this season.

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Jaden Hawk played shortstop. His dad played shortstop. Jason was a shortstop. Jason was a shortstop. His dad played shortstop.

“He says we’re a lot better than his team was,” Jaden Hawk said. “It’s a lot better than I ever was.” Jason Hopp said about his son with a laugh. “He’s a big strong kid. I wasn’t that big in high school. Weightlifting has been a big push here now. … I’m very proud of where he’s come from his freshman year to now. He’s definitely a lot better than the old man ever was.”

Hawk was aware of the fact this marked the 30-year anniversary of Central Lee’s state title, he made it a point to keep it to himself and not make the genes they inherited. "These guys have controlled their own destiny,” Jason Hopp said. “They’ve put in the hard work and the time and the effort. They control what they can control. We’ve hit the ball all year long, we’ve had good pitching and we’ve had a good defense.”

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“Certainly, they are better and they are better than the 89 squad had a rain delay against Davis County. This season’s team had a rain delay against Davis County.

In 89 the Hawks had two seniors, six juniors a sophomore and a freshman starting. This season’s team had three seniors, four juniors a sophomore and a freshman starting.

“It’s just crazy how similar these boys are to us,” Jason Hawk said. “Nobody ever picked us to do anything. We really didn’t get the credit and stuff for how good we were and the same with these boys. They’re not getting the credit. These boys are good.”

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At the resort, the alligator had lost its fear of humans and saw a two-year-old playing at the water's edge about this time at night, which is when they start getting active," Lucas said.

"A little bit of knowledge goes a long way. We try to educate people as how they can avoid being in that situation. It was heartbreaking for me to know that a two-year-old lost his life to an alligator.

Two of the three deaths in 2018 were both woman who had encounters with alligators that had been fed by humans and were walking their dogs next to inhabited waters.

"One woman tried to beat off the alligator to protect her dog and ended up being the fatality and that animal to not be afraid of you and that's where the problems start." said Lucas.

The show has been running for 38 years and started as a outreach program in Florida for schools to help educate kids about the animals and the beauty and dangers associated with them.

"The main message is don't go near the water's edge, don't feed the alligators and always assume that if you see him, he may have been fed by someone," he said. "Naturally they have a fear of humans but there is one standing by the water's edge and you're at the bank that means someone has conditioned that animal to not be afraid of you and that's where the problems start."

Gus Macker started the show in 1982 and Lucas joined in 1992 where it was then developed into a traveling show for fairs and festivals across the United States.

The show will also feature a 3-foot albino alligator, one of only about 100 in the world and festival-goers will be able to get a picture with, and even hold, the reptile. All of the wild alligators in the show were donated to the program by nuisance trappers in Florida.

There is one standing by the water's edge and you're not going to win that battle.

The shows will be 25 minute shows from beginning to end. With two shows on Thursday 3:30 and 5:30 p.m.; two shows Friday 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.; Saturday 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 4 p.m.; and Sunday 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

BURLINGTON – On Saturday morning August 3, 148 teams from all over the region will converge on the downtown Burlington riverfront for the 2nd Annual Burlington, Iowa Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. Almost 600 players, comprised of all ages and skill levels, will compete over two days in their divisions for the coveted Gus Macker Trophy. The tournament was brought to the area by the Greater Burlington Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Burlington's Ghost of Judas will take on the late show, battling their way through the region to claim the Gus Macker 3-on-3 Tour. The region's biggest tournament will take place Sunday, August 4. Along with the Gus Macker 3-on-3 Tournament, highlighted special events will take place Saturday and Sunday. August 3 at Noon contestants put their athletic prowess and creativity to the test as they compete in the Dunk Contest. From 10 AM – 2 PM Saturday, youth ages 13-14 & 12 & Under can compete in the Dinky Dunk Contest.

The lowered rim will give the youth an opportunity to show off their dunking skills. Registered participants can enter an unlimited number of times for $2 each time. They will get 3 dunks to impress the judges and make the leaderboard. The Dinky Dunk Contest final will take place Sunday at 10 AM and be comprised of the top 2 kids in each division. Presenting sponsor for the event is Great River Health System.

From the Front/Area News

Room left in RiverFest games, Racks on the River

Gus Macker hits Burlington Saturday

THU 01 Aug Scattered Clouds

High – 75.6°F | Low – 60.7°F

FRI 02 Aug Mostly Sunny

High – 78.7°F | Low – 62.3°F

SAT 03 Aug Clear Skies

High – 77.3°F | Low – 65.0°F

SUN 04 Aug Light Rain

High – 80.0°F | Low – 65.2°F

MON 05 Aug Clear Skies

High – 82.9°F | Low – 67.7°F

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Thursday's Music Lineup

Burlington's Ghost of Judas will take on the late night crowd in the Budweiser South Stage starting at 10:30 p.m.

Clear Skies

High – 77.3°F | Low – 65.0°F

Gates open to the public for tasting at 11 a.m. The three judged teams with KCBS judging rules in play. Cash prizes based on participation will be awarded to the top three judged teams with KCBS judging rules in play. Gates open to the public for tasting at 11 a.m. The public can have unlimited sampling for $5. Official rules and signup can be found at www.riverfestfm.com. You can find a full schedule of events at www.riverfestfm.com.

Dr. Mark C. Pothitakis Family Dentistry is proud to welcome
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