PORT’s Boo-Athlon to run Oct. 26

FORT MADISON — PORT (Promoting Outdoor Recreational Trails) of Fort Madison will be holding their sixth annual Spooktakular Boo-athlon fundraiser for recreational trails in Fort Madison. The Spooktakular Boo-athlon will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 starting at 9 a.m. at the Baxter Sports Complex.

The 2019 route will once again include both Phase I trail that runs from Ivanhoe Park to Bluff Road and Phase II trail that intersects Phase I and connects to 48th Street. Registration and the start of each race will take place at the Baxter Sports Complex.

This multi-faceted event is sure to bring out all the ghosts and goblins who run, bike or both. Events include Kid’s Race; 5K Run/Walk; 10 mile Bike Race; Duathlon (Run/Bike Event). There will be prizes, refreshments and fun. Participants are encouraged to wear costumes—prizes will be awarded for different costume categories.

Registration forms can be found online at www.fort-madison-ia.com under the Community tab/PORT; on the PORT of Fort Madison Facebook page or by calling Kathy Benda at 319-470-7848. The Spooktakular Boo-athlon is a community focused fundraising event.

Matt’s Greenhouse will once again be our premiere sponsor and the exclusive sponsor of the Kid’s Runs.

PORT of Fort Madison received multiple grants and donations to fund the first two phases of the trail. Preparations for Phase III have been completed with construction starting Spring of 2020. Phase III will connect the Baxter Sports Complex to Fort Madison Community Hospital.

PORT of Fort Madison operates as a subcommittee under the Parks & Recreation Department of the City of Fort Madison with the mission to improve and promote the walkability, run-ability and bike-ability of Fort Madison. The committee is made up of a volunteer group of community members. For more information or to make a donation go to the PORT of Fort Madison Facebook page.
**CURRENT-LEE**

The following is a list of current events and happenings in Fort Madison and north Lee County as submitted to the Pen City Current.

**Bloodhound Booster Events**
The Fort Madison Bloodhound Booster Club is hosting a BINGO night on Sept. 21, at the LULAC in Fort Madison. Also the Booster Club is having organizations in the area sponsor the Barn and Bite at home football games this year. Wilson BBQ is sponsoring this Friday with pulled pork sandwiches and baked beans.

**North Lee County Relay for Life**
The annual Relay for Life takes place this year on September 27th from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m and will feature Maddie Poppe in Concert. This year’s theme is “sols of strength.”

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**Mommy & Baby Gear**
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**Lighted Parade Float Work Nights**
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- 09/19/19 – 3:38 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff’s deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwy. 2 and Bluff Road. According to the report a vehicle driven by Eric Mo. was traveling at a stop sign and struck a vehicle driven by Joe Aithe, 53, of West Point causing disabling damage to both vehicles. No injuries were reported at the scene. The Sheriff was cited for failure to yield through highway.
- 09/20/19 – 11:37 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff’s deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident in the 3400 block of Argyle Road. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Linda Summer, 73, of Keokuk attempted to pass a farm tractor at an intersection, but the tractor driven by Neil Hubert Johnson, 73, of Keokuk, turned left and struck Summers vehicle causing it to turn over. Minor injuries were reported and Summers was cited for improper passing.
- 09/20/19 – 12:02 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff’s deputies arrested a 15-year-old male juvenile from Davenport, at the Southeast Iowa Juvenile Detention Center, on a charge of assaulting a correctional officer. He was held at the center pending a court appearance. Those listed above are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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**Ft Madison Police Report**
- 09/18/19 – 11:00 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of vandalism in the 400 block of 34th Street. 09/18/19 – 11:30 a.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Hattie Viona Kemp, 33, of Fort Madison in the 1800 block of Avenue E on a charge of animal neglect and reckless use of a firearm. She was released on a promise to appear. 09/19/19 – 8:31 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Kimberly Jo Huss, 43, of Fort Madison in the 700 block of 11th Street on a charge of driving while barred, and warrant for failure to appear. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and hold.- 09/18/19 – 8:25 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Leilah Yukiko Naumann, 20, of Fort Madison, in the 1100 block of Avenue F, on a Des Moines County warrant for failure to appear. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 09/19/19 – 1:45 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Erica Boudreau, 20, of Fort Madison in the 3100 block of Avenue J, on a warrant service. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held. 09/19/19 – 3:27 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a shoplifter in the 2600 block of Avenue L. 09/19/19 – 4:30 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1500 block of Avenue G. 09/19/19 – 10:49 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Devon Scott Lenz, 24, of Fort Madison in the 400 block of 21st Street on a warrant for probation violation, carrying weapons and driving under suspension. 09/20/19 – 1:21 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in progress in the 300 block of 22nd Street.

**For the Record**

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OBITUARIES

ERIC GREG PARDALL

Eric Grant Pardall, 49, of Franklin, Iowa passed away at 8:55 a.m., Friday, September 20, 2019 at the Fort Madison Community Hospital.

He was born on April 30, 1970 in Burlington, Iowa, the son of Richard Earl and Georgia Anna (Walker) Pardall. On August 7, 2006 he married Stacy Ann Richardson in Keokuk, Iowa.

Eric is survived by his wife: Stacy Ann (Richardson) Pardall; four daughters: Courtney (Marcus) Mullin of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, Caitlin (Gordo) Johnson of Montrose, Iowa, Haylie Hirner of Donnellson, Iowa, and Brooklyn Pardall of Iowa City, Iowa; four grandchildren: Kamryn and Oaklyn Mullin, and Emeilia and Eric Johnson; his parents: Richard and Georgia Pardall; four brothers: Todd (Lori) Pardall, Brad Pardall, Vincent (Angie) Pardall, and Tyler (Alex) Pardall. Also surviving are several beloved aunts, uncles and his beloved dog, Coco.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Art and Lucy Walker and Earl and Opal Pardall.

Eric was a 1988 graduate of Central Lee High School and received his Journeyman’s Certificate from Southeastern Community College. He was a maintenance mechanic at Conagra Foods and a farmer. Eric was on the JoDee’s Horseshoe Team and the River City Baggers. He was a member of the U.F.C.W. Local 617. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, wheeler riding, and arrowhead hunting. Eric especially loved spending time with his four daughters and his grandchildren.

Friends may call after noon on Thursday at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson where the family will meet with friends from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 A.M. Friday September 27, 2019 at the Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson with Pastor Mike Bennett officiating.

Burial will be in St. Peter’s Cemetery near Franklin.

Pen City Current obituary policy
The Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes.

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at the Fort Madison City Council at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at the Council Chambers of City Hall at 81 Avenue M, Fort Madison, Iowa, 52627 no later than 4:30 PM on October 1, 2019 or delivered before the hearing is closed.

Melinda L. Blind
City Clerk
Each existence is a training for better our better lives to come

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ty: Four Hours a Day” by Hazelden. Each day is divided into three sections:
“Thought for the Day,” “Meditation for the Day,” and “Prayer for the Day.” In the
“Meditation for the Day,” I kept noticing throughout the year, a discussion of “The
Purpose of Life.” I decided to go through the book and document these “Purpos-
es.” Here are a few of the “Purposes of Life.”
“A life of service is the finest life we can live. We are here on earth to serve oth-
ers.” It is the work of a lifetime to develop to full stature spiritually. This is what I am
on earth for.”

Hmm. Well, now that I have an under-
standing of what my or my, “Purpose of Life” is, I am now ready for more informa-
tion.

“God sees, as no one can see, what is
within you. He sees you growing more and
more like Himself. That is your reason for
existence, to grow more and more like God,
to develop more and more the spirit of God within you.”

Heavy stuff. As I was undertaking this project of documenting “The Purposes of Life” in the pre-dawn hours, (my usual time for reading, writing and meditation), I became spiritually high. Putting all these thoughts together at one time was a
transformational process. Or was it the coffee?

“All your existence in this world is a training for a better life to come.” The
gradual elimination of selfishness in the growth of love for God and your fellow
human beings is the goal of life.” Your real work in life is to grow spiritually.”

Okay, now that we have all that settled, I was ready for even more. “This life on
earth should be largely a preparation for the eternal life to come.” I can dig it.

“Faith in God can give an objective and purpose to life. Many of us are at least
subconsciously seeking for a Power greater than ourselves because that would give
a meaning to our existence.”

In addition to “The Purpose of Life,” here are a couple of other tidbits I gleaned from the
“Meditation for the Day” section of “Twenty-Four Hours a Day” that I think worthy of passing along: “God can use you as a tool to accomplish miracles
in people’s lives” and “Claim the power to work wonders in your life.”

Far out, man! Call me a Jesus Freak if you like. I consider it a compliment. There
is more to life than just living and dying. “The soul is immortal, I believe.” (“Your
life has been given to you mainly for the purpose of training your soul.”) We are
here for a reason. “I will try to be at one with God. No human aspiration can
reach higher than this.” “Our chief ambition should be to be used by God.”

“Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art.” It wasn’t the
coffee, man.

Next week: Happiness.

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“I told the team, we have a choice to make. I think there’s a lot of excuses to explain
why we are where we are. I refuse to … injury situations, young guys, older guys,
it doesn’t matter. We have to really self-evaluate what we’re doing, as players and as
coaches. What our weaknesses are.”

“I’d say we’re hurting, for sure,” said running back Clinton Ratkovich, who had 45
rushing yards and 42 receiving yards in the game. “But we’re still up. The whole team
is staying together. Everybody believes, everybody is working their ass off.”

It was on the fifth offensive play of the day when Western Illinois quarterback
Connor Sampson ran to the right and began limping before he was tackled for a 5-
yard gain. A few minutes later, the teams were told to leave the field as thunder-
storms approached.

That delay gave Sampson a chance to get back in the game once play resumed, but
he didn’t last long. By the end of the day, he was on crutches as he stood on the
sideline.

“It was serious enough he couldn’t play, I know that,” said Elliott, who revealed
that Sampson would need X-rays to determine the extent of the injury.

Kevin Johnson, a transfer from Richmond, stepped in and threw for 159 yards
and three touchdowns as the Leathernecks tried to rally from a 24-3 deficit.

“Kevin did a great job for us,” Elliott said. “Next man up, his number was called.
He’s played football, he’s got experience.”

“I know how to step in and do my job,” said Johnson, who took over late during
his freshman season at Richmond and started two games for the Spiders in the FCS
playoffs. Johnson threw two touchdown passes in the span of 48 seconds in the
fourth quarter as the Leathernecks closed to within 31-24 before Tennessee Tech
answered with a touchdown drive to finish the win.

Johnson was sacked three times and threw two interceptions.

“I had two turnovers, so that’s not good,” he said. “I didn’t help my team.”

This may become Johnson’s offense to run if Sampson is out for a while.

It’s just the latest sea change for the Leathernecks, who have to figure out a way to
weather the waves.

It’s a week off, then the rest-of-the-season journey through arguably the most
difficult FCS conference.

“It sucks losing,” Ratkovich said. “I hate losing.”

That’s something Elliott can sense in his team. “This team fights,” he said. “We’re
not playing consistent enough, we’re just not playing well enough. We know we have
to get a lot of things cleaned up.

“We’re 0-0 going into the Missouri Valley Conference. Let’s go do it.”

John Bohnenkamp is a columnist and sports reporter for the City Current.