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Pet food drive sponsored by middle school club

Maquoketa Middle School CARDS/JOOI Club sponsored a pet food drive during Homecoming Week. Students brought in donations of cat and dog food, snacks, cat litter, laundry detergent and money. They also received a cash donation from the Maquoketa Optimist Club. Coach Kevin Bowman and the varsity

football team autographed footballs and T-shirts that were given away during the MMS pep rally. All donations were given to the Jackson County Humane Society. Club members are shown with the donated items.

Police salary negotiations begin

By DOUGLAS MELVOLD

Maquoketa police officers and dispatchers are seeking a wage scale increase of 4.5 percent next year and larger increases the following two years as part of an initial contract proposal.

The city has responded with a proposal of no changes in the salary schedules for next year.

The two sides completed their initial exchange of contract proposals with the city making its offer Monday afternoon, Oct. 4.

The Maquoketa, Iowa Public Safety Association, the bargaining unit for the city police officers and dispatchers, submitted its initial contract proposal on Sept. 22.

The two groups tentatively scheduled their first negotiating session for Oct. 13. At the request of the public safety association, the negotiating sessions will be conducted in closed session.

Any contract must be approved in a public session.

Michael Meloy, a Bettendorf attorney, is representing the public safety association as the chief negotiator.

William Sueppel, an Iowa City attorney, will represent the city.

The officers and dispatchers are in the third and final year of an agreement that will expire June 30, 2010. The new contract will take effect July 1.

The public safety association is seeking another three-year contract, which would extend through June 30, 2013.

The police officers and dispatchers are seeking increases in their respective salary scales of 4.5 percent for the first year, which begins July 1, 2010; 4.75 percent for the second year, which would begin July 1, 2011, and 5.25 percent the third year, which begins July 1, 2012.

If approved, the base annual salary for a starting patrol officer would increase from \$35,418 this year to \$37,011 for 2010-11, to \$38,770 for 2011-12 and to \$40,805 for 2012-13.

The salary for an officer with three years of experience would rise from \$39,458 this year to \$41,224 next year, to \$43,192 in 2011-12 and to

\$45,460 in 2012-13.

The salary for an officer with five years of experience, at the top of the salary schedule, would increase from \$43,089 now to \$45,028 next year, to \$47,167 in 2011-12 and to \$49,643

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Maquoketa-born soldier dies in the Philippines in roadside bomb attack



STAFF SGT.
JACK M. MARTIN III

A Maquoketa-born soldier was killed last week by a roadside bomb in the Philippines.

Staff Sgt. Jack Mayfield Martin III, 26, of Bethany, Okla. was one of two U.S. soldiers killed in the Sept. 29 attack, according to the U.S. Department of Defense. The second soldier was Sgt. 1st Class Christopher D. Shaw of Markham, Ill.

A Filipino Marine also died in the bomb attack, which was the first deadly attack on U.S. forces in the Philippines in seven years.

Martin was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), of Fort Lewis, Wash. He was deployed to Jolo Island in support of Operation Enduring Freedom-Philippines and was a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The island is considered a stronghold for a militant group linked to al-Qaida, according to Defense

officials.

Military officials said Martin was part of a group supplying a school construction project when the Humvee they were in struck an improvised explosive device Sept. 29.

Defense officials said the incident is under investigation.

Martin, son of Jack and Cheryl Martin, was the youngest of five children. He was born in Maquoketa.

Maquoketa Community School District officials had no record of Martin attending school in the district.

His family moved to Oklahoma, where Martin graduated from Bethany High School in Bethany, Okla.

Martin entered the military in 2001. He was selected to attend the Special Forces Qualification Course in 2004 and become a Green Beret.

He was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart and the Meritorious Service Medal.

Martin is survived by his wife, Ashley, of Tacoma, Wash.; his parents Jack and Cheryl Martin of Bethany, Okla.; one brother, Abe; and three sisters Mandi, Amber and Abi.