

Motor vehicles in a wide variety of types, models, conditions and ages were on display Sunday afternoon, June 8, for the Andrew's "You've Got a Friend in Me" Car Show at NIACC campus in Mason City.

Show supports NIACC program for disabled individuals

Andrew's 'You've Got a Friend in Me' Car Show raises awareness while showing off sweet rides

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By Bob Steenson

Several hundred people gathered at North Iowa Area Community College on Sunday to celebrate the legacy of a young man who loved "Toy Story" and Mustangs – and to support others like him.

Andrew's "You've Got a Friend in Me" Car Show drew a large crowd to the NIACC campus near Mason City, with vehicles of all kinds lining the large main parking lot.

From vintage cars and custom high-performance machines to modern luxury vehicles, motorcycles, trucks and modified utility vehicles, the event featured something for every motor vehicle enthusiast, along with food vendors and door prizes.

Created by Eric Kacer of Mason City in memory of his son, Andrew Kacer, who had Down syndrome and a serious congenital heart condition, the car show served as both a tribute

and a fundraiser. Andrew died in 2021 at age 24. Sunday would have been his 28th birthday.

The event raised awareness and funds for the NIACC EDU-CATE program, a unique twoyear initiative for students with intellectual disabilities. "It's a four-semester program

for people diagnosed with behavioral challenges or special needs or it could be somebody with a disability," Kacer said. "They're the first in the nation for a junior college to have a program to do something like this, and nobody really knows about it."

Andrew's mother is from Charles City, as is the director of the EDUCATE program.

Kacer organized the show with help from community members across northern Iowa and southern Minnesota. He said he hopes the event becomes an annual tradition.

Kacer said the show was meant to honor Andrew and bring attention to people with



Attendees at Andrew's "You've Got A Friend in Me" Car Show got an opportunity to honor and personally thank a group of about a dozen veterans from various armed forces.

special needs.

The show included food trucks, information booths, a silent auction, door prizes and

About a dozen veterans were

and thanked publicly for their contingency requiring FCMC to

use the funds to build a cancer

center and that there are enough funds to do so. The court must

consider if 'the funds available

possible. Again, the answer to

make' building the cancer center

also honored during the event

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Foundation ... to be used for

Alzheimer's disease research.' Mayo Clinic began legal action in May 2022 to claim the estate, arguing that FCMC's proposed "Stille Cancer Center" failed to meet other specifications listed in the will – particularly what it said was a requirement for onsite radiation treatment and having an oncologist "on staff."

FCMC countered that remaining independent was the only legal contingency for receiving the gift.

The hospital said it intended to meet the spirit of Stille's wishes, even if the radiation treatment element was not feasible under federal and state medical resource guidelines and economic realities.

In his ruling, Judge Stochl started off by saying "the status of the parties in the medical community or their connections to this judicial district have absolutely no bearing on the issue before the court. The court has no doubt that both parties would put the funds to good use."

Stochl acknowledged that Stille's will also described several desired features for the cancer center, including separate areas for chemotherapy, radiation,

and a family gathering space. However, he wrote, the "highly improbable" ability of the hospital to provide radiation therapy onsite due to regulatory and financial barriers did not invalidate the gift.

"Historically, linear accelerators are not approved in a new service area if radiation therapy is available within a 50-mile radius unless the population can support it. There are four linear accelerators within a 50-mile radius of Charles City: two in Waterloo and two in Mason City,"

"Clearly, neither Herman nor (Stille's attorney Michael)



This sketch by Accord Architecture of the possible Stille Cancer Clinic at Floyd County Medical Center was introduced by FCMC in July 2023 as part of its evidence in the Herman Stille Estate case in Chickasaw County District Court. The court ruled in FCMC's favor on June 5, 2025.

IN CONCLUSION, THE COURT FINDS:

- 1. Herman Stille left the residuary of his estate to FCMC (Floyd County Medical Center) to build a cancer center so long as it remained an independent hospital.
- 2. FCMC is an independent hospital.
- FCMC to build a cancer center.
- 4. FCMC will be building a cancer center with the gifted funds.
- 5. FCMC cannot provide radiation therapy. Her-

man would not have withdrawn his bequest

joint cooperation with other medical facilities or subcontracting.

6. FCMC will have an oncologist on "staff" via

FCMC to do so.

if he had known it was legally impossible for

- 3. The funds in the estate are sufficient to allow 7. The bequest of the residual assets of the estate shall be payable to FCMC to build and operate a cancer center.
 - 8. Costs of this action are assessed to Mayo.
 - Ruling by Judge Richard Stochl, June 5, 2025 Iowa District Court for Chickasaw County

Kennedy knew that requiring a cancer center in Charles City to have space for administering radiation was fruitless," Stochl

"THIS COURT CONCLUDES that if Herman had known that FCMC could not purchase a linear accelerator, he would not have required that space to be available in the cancer center for radiation

treatment," Stochl wrote. The court also determined that FCMC's plan to contract with outside oncologists similar to how it operates with contracted orthopedic, cardiology, ENT and other specialists who

are given staff privileges, rather than employ an oncologist full time, meets the requirement to have an oncologist "on staff."

"The court finds FCMC has taken the steps necessary to assure the court that it will have an oncologist on staff," Stochl

Stochl also rejected Mayo's arguments that some of the estate funds might support parts of FCMC's broader \$40 million expansion, including a pharmacy upgrade and shared entrance with a new clinic. He found that those elements were part of a comprehensive, integrated plan that supports cancer care, not

misuse of funds. "A will's unambiguous language is binding," Stochl wrote. "The Will provides that the devise to FCMC 'is contingent on the Floyd County Memorial Hospital being maintained as an independent hospital.' That language is unambiguous. If FCMC is not independent, Mayo gets the funds.

"This court has concluded that FCMC is an independent hospital. Therefore, the primary contingency for FCMC receiving the bequest is met," Stochl

"The court further finds that the will also creates a second

that question is yes." Floyd County Medical Center has said it will name the new facility the "Stille Cancer Center" in honor of its benefactor. and has already developed architec-

tural plans in anticipation of the ruling.

THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE center is around \$13.3 million. Hospital officials say they will cover the difference through

other funding sources. Plans for a potential cancer care center that are part of the court record indicate it could offer chemotherapy, immunotherapy, and other oncology services, with arrangements in place to transport patients to nearby facilities for radiation treatment.

The Medical Center's current hospital and clinic expansion project, expected to be completed next spring, includes a new pharmacy with the environmental and safety systems required to allow it to formulate and handle oncology medications.

"A cancer center here in our community will be life-changing for so many people," said Willis. "To offer oncology services close to home is an incredible opportunity that we would not have without Mr. Stille. His generosity is truly what will build this facility, and we cannot wait to bring it to life."

FCMC has been working with local contractors on the design for a cancer center for several years, the FCMC statement said.

"Once those plans are finalized, FCMC will share those exciting updates with the community," it concluded.

As of Friday, Mayo had not commented on the ruling. The court ordered that Mayo pay the costs of the litigation.

Legal Notice

Notice of Sheriff's Levy and Sale IN AND FOR FLOYD COUNT STATE OF IOWA FLOYD COUNTY Iowa District Court Floyd County, Case #: EQCVO32204, Civil #: 25-000359

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING LLC VS KIMBERLY KAY USHER RODNEY USHER, AND PARTIES IN As a result of the judgment rendered

the above referenced court case, an xecution was issued by the court to the Sheriff of this county. The execution ordered the sale of defendant(s) Real Estate described below. To satisfy the judgment. The property to sold is:

LOT TWO, BLOCK SIXTY-THREE, KELLY AND COMPANY'S ADDITION TO ST CHARLES.

OF CHARLES CITY, IOWA Property Address 607 N. JACKSON

at public auction for eash only as follows: AM; Place of Sale: FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1ST FLOOR,101 S Property exemption: Certain money

visions of the law and file appropriate notice, if acceptable. Judgment Amount: \$99,947.91 Costs: \$6,850.87 Accruing Cost: PLUS Interest: \$6,360.38 Sheriff's Fees: Pend-

or property may be exempt. Contact your

Attorney BENJAMIN W. HOPKINS

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THE TESTAMENTARY TRUST OF: Jane R. Frisbie a/k/a the TESTAMENTARY TRUST To all persons regarding Jane R

Frisbie, deceased, who died on or about January 20, 2025. You are hereby notified that the trustee listed below is the trustee of the Testamentary Trust of Jane tamentary Trust dated on February 21 2025. Any action to contest the validity trict Court of Floyd County, Iowa, within the later to occur of four (4) months from tice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice to the spouse of the decedent settlor, and to all heirs of the decedent settlor whose identities are reasonably ascertainable. Any suit not filed within this period shall be forever barred

Notice is further given that any person or entity possessing a claim against the trust must mail proof of the claim to the trustee at the address listed below via certified mail, return receipt requested. by the later to occur of four (4) months from the second publication of this notice or thirty (30) days from the date of mailing this notice if required or the claim shall be forever barred unless paid or otherwise satisfied

Dated on May 23, 2025

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVE E. SCHRADER, Deceased PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTORS, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Dave E. Schrader, Deceased, who died on or about April 28, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on May 30, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Dave E. Schrader, deceased, bearing date of September 27, 2021, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Nancy L. Herron and Richard R. Schrader have been appointed

Co-Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascer-

tainable, or thereafter be forever barred. Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the un-dersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.
Dated 05/30/2025

Nancy L. Herron, Executor of Estate 301 Charles Street Charles City, IA 50616

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