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## Former resident brings natural beauties to Hoopeston

Sweetheart contestants did not provide the only beauty



*Photo by Lourdine Florek*  
**Hoopeston Police Officer Steve Bane bonds with Auggie the alligator, owned by Dan Breeding, a former resident.**

during the 58th National Sweetcorn Festival. Dan Breeding brought beauty to town of another kind.

Breeding, formerly of Hoopeston and now of Florida, brought exotic animals to Hoopeston for the festival, including Auggie the alligator and Gunther, a cougar. A python and baboon rounded out the menagerie.

The animals are trained by Breeding and appear in movies, television commercials and make special appearances.

Although used to human contact, Breeding said he does not treat the animals as pets. Two-year-old Gunther, for example, still has the ways of a kitten. "I bond with him, I pet him but I don't wrestle with him," Breeding said. "If I did, he could be on top of me, playing one minute and the next his natural instincts would take over."

The animals drew interest from Hoopeston residents, both while at Breeding's father's house in the 900 block of East Wyman and during appearances at Crown Ford. Trainer and animals were also part of Saturday's Sweetcorn Festival parade.

## Briefly

### Neighborhood Watch

The Hoopeston Police Department's Neighborhood Watch will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10 at Country Terrace.

Deputy Jere Christian of the Vermilion County K-9 unit and his partner, Zoe, will be back by popular demand.

### Energy assistance

The Hoopeston Multi Agency will begin taking energy assistance applications Tuesday, Sept. 4. September is reserved for senior citizens, disabled residents or families with disconnected service.

Those applying must bring Social Security cards and proof of income for the past 30 days for everyone in the household; Public Aid medical card, rent receipt and last utility bill.

Those who do not bring all items to their appointments will have to be re-scheduled.

For more information or an appointment, call the Multi Agency, (217) 283-5544.

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At the club

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## HOW TO AVOID PROBATE

As a continuing service to the community, **FIRST ALLIED SECURITIES, INC.**, is presenting a free seminar on How to Avoid Probate and Estate Planning.

The program will feature Hoopeston attorney Paul T. Manion who will be available to answer questions.

Refreshments will be served.

**Thursday, Sept. 6, 2001—7 p.m.**

**City Hall,**

301 W. Main St., Hoopeston, IL

**RSVP to FIRST ALLIED  
SECURITIES, (217) 283-7103 OR  
(800) 787-4745**

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Police News

A 25-year-old Hoopeston woman reported Tuesday that she returned home to find a screen cut at her apartment.

The damage occurred between Sept. 1-4 at Parkview Court.

A 40-year-old Hoopeston woman reported Tuesday that someone took a Playstation, memory card and numerous games from her home at 1115 W. Orange.

Obituaries

**BERTRAM**—Camilla F. Dilley Bertram, 81, of Hoopeston, died at 11:50 p.m. Monday, Sept. 3, 2001 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be one hour before services Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Community Nursing Home, 701 E. Orange, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

Across

1. Cold and damp

4. Informal talk

8. Autos

12. Turmoil

13. Sharpen, as a razor

14. Upon

15. By means of

16. Colorful agate

17. \_\_\_ Scotia

18. Gloomy

20. London river

22. Biblical fruit

24. Medicine bottle

25. Taurus' symbol

26. Cash drawer

27. What person?

30. Memorable age

31. Mannequin

32. Concealed

33. Endeavor

34. Lyric poems

35. Heed

36. Foolish prank

37. \_\_\_ in, interferes

38. Emotional 'rush'

Down

41. Wise one

42. Garden tools

43. Black

45. Food fish

48. Heroic

49. Highway

50. Exist

51. Longs (for)

52. Nimble

53. Signer's tool

1. Knock sharply

2. Fruit beverage

3. Repartee, puns, etc.

4. Routine task

5. Goose call

6. Some

7. Woven fabrics

8. Artifical waterway

9. Tiny particle

10. Wander about

11. Health resorts

19. Totality

21. Corridor

22. Help in crime

New Books at the Library

**Fiction:**

Friends for Life by Carol Smith (large print)

Cane River by Lalita Tademy (Oprah's Book Club)

**Non-fiction:**

For Everything a Season by Philip Gulley

The Road to Forgiveness by Bill Griffiths

In the Hospital

**Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital**

**Sept. 4**

**Admitted:** none.

**Discharged:** Allena Drollinger.

Weather

Mostly cloudy, chance of showers, thunderstorms today and tomorrow. Highs 85, lows 70.

For current weather conditions, call the **Hoopeston Weather Line** at (217) 283-6221.

23. Feline murmur

24. TV picture

26. Small fry

27. Foamy wave

28. Clue

29. Chances, as in a bet

31. Drudge

35. Tankard

36. Phonograph records
37. Toss back and forth, as words or ideas

38. Those people

39. Wish

40. Harness strap

41. Fly high

44. Punch: slang

46. Native metal

47. Lair

**Brianna's Baby Shop**

**Open Friday, Sept. 7, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. & Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.-noon.**

We bought out Rag Muffins in Danville

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**AUCTIONS**

Sept. 8, 10:30 a.m. Richard Craig Farm Equipment Auction. 4 mi. east of Hoopeston to Antioch Road, 3 mi. south to Heaton Grain Co., 5/8 mi. east. Watch for signs. DeWitt Auction Company, (217) 283-7161.

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