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## Hoopeston Area board sets policy on non-school materials

Non-school related materials given to students will be approved by building principals.

That was the recommendation of a committee established to determine how such materials would be disseminated.

The recommendation was made by board president Larry Lobb at Thursday's Hoopeston Area School Board meeting.

The need for a policy came after Kathy Vines lodged a complaint about faith-based material distributed at one of the schools. The complaint was put on hold to allow the board time to devise a policy.

Vines said she did not complain about the content of the unidentified material, but rather the way it was distributed to students. "It wasn't until after the fact that it was brought to the teacher's attention," she said. "I trust the principals will make good decisions and my child will not receive similar materials the rest of this year or in following years," she said.

Lobb responded that because the district practices a limited open forum of allowing non-school material to be given to students, faith-based materials "will probably have to be disseminated in some form, like it or not."

While leaving the issue up to principals, Lobb said each should follow basic guidelines, including not allowing the distribution of materials to take away from class time or disrupt the school day.

In unrelated action, the district will take part in local Memorial Day services and will award diplomas to two World War II veterans.

Under a new law, veterans of the war may receive diplomas from the high schools they attended. Two have requested the diplomas, including Larry Comstock of Hoopeston and Dale McElhaney of Danville.

If other veterans qualify, "we would love to honor them," said Superintendent Mark Conolly. To be considered, veterans should contact the superintendent's

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## Briefly

### Multi Agency van schedule

This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is: Monday, Hoopeston shuttle; Tuesday, Bloomington (leave at 8 a.m.); Wednesday, Danville; Thursday, Hoopeston shuttle; Friday, office closed.

For more information or to arrange a ride, call the Multi Agency at (217) 283-5544.

Community center activities include: Monday, ladies bridge, noon; Tuesday, ladies euchre, noon; Thursday, men's coffee, 9:30 a.m., men's euchre, noon; Friday, office closed.

Teen Reach activities for the week include: Monday, skating party, 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Harbor House,

4:30-5:30; Wednesday, Life Skills, Mike's presentation, 4:30; Friday, closed.

### Calendar winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: March 25, Gary and Cheryl Gillins; March 26, Bus Burton; March 27, Ina Williamson; March 28, Rex Greene; March 29, Cody and Cayla Davis, \$200.

### Meetings

- Hoopeston fire/water/sewer committees, 5:30 p.m. Monday, city hall, to discuss the new building.
- Hoopeston City Council budget meeting, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, city hall.

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**HASLER** - Bert Earl Hasler, 96, of Hoopeston, died at 7:55 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, 2002 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in East Lynn Cemetery, East Lynn. Visitation will be noon to 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, OH 44720.



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