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Weathercaster Judy Fraser brings sunshine to Multi Agency

Judy Fraser has predicted more than her share of storms but last Thursday, she brought a bit of sunshine to the Hoopeston Multi Agency.

Fraser, chief weathercaster for WCIA-TV Channel 3, spoke following the community potluck.

"I'm glad to be here on the best day of the year...so far," Fraser told the audience. "This is a real treat for me to be able to get out and do this today."

Fraser spoke about her life both in front of the camera and behind. from lessons she learned from her mother, to lessons she learned on the job.

"My mother used to tell us we came into this world with certain really ours but are on loan from

God. Like any loan you take out, you have to pay it back. (My mother) said the way you pay back life loans - that's what she called them - is to give back."

Fraser, who graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a degree in broadcast journalism, has been in television for more than 30 years and has been at WCIA for nearly 26 years.

Her earliest television job was as "Miss Judy" on the former Romper Room Schoolhouse show. The live, hour-long show gave Fraser good training in extemporaneous speaking. From there, she became a weathercaster and took meteorology courses at the University of Wisconsin. She also had a one-year



Photo by Lourdine Florek

TV weather personality Judy Fraser, center, visits with Hoopeston residents talents," she said. "It's up to us to after an appearance Thursday at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, as Audrey Mushuse those talents which aren't rush local weather watcher, left, looks on.

apprenticeship with the National Weather Service.

The training sometimes doesn't help. "Weather in this part of the country is challenging and frustrating," she said. "it's very hard to get it right all the time. Meteorology is not an exact science."

That doesn't stop people from expecting her to get it right, or change it if they don't like it. "You can't believe how many people expect me to do something about the weather," she said.

Forecasting the weather may be daunting sometimes but dealing with her viewers is not. "The joy and the wonder of my job is the people part," she said.

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Bowling Scores



Hoopeston Women's Bowling League Standings 4/8/02

1.	R&R Body Shop	511/2	321/2
2.	Beertenders	51	33
3.	Easy Sliders	50	34
4.	Kankakee Federal	49	35
5.	Family Affair	46	38
6.	Family Circus	421/2	411/2
7.	B.J.'s Pump	411/2	411/2
8.	Main Street Travel	41	43
9.	Community Bank	39	45

10. Yaden-Rethelford 37½ 46½ 11. No Name Just #14 36½ 47½ 12. Gillins Oil 34 50 13. Weber's Drug Store 33 51 14. Pin Pals 32½ 51½

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Police News



No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 1:05 p.m. Sunday at 701 E. Orange. Police said Jean Alderson of 220 W. Maple, in a 1993 Ford, struck a pole.

Two 15-year-old girls were arrested at 6:28 p.m. Sunday in the 600 block of West Main. The girls were charged with battery after witnesses told police they battered two other girls.

Each was given a notice to appear and released to a responsible adult.

Rogelio Bernal, 31, of 317 W. Washington, was arrested at 8:10 p.m. Sunday at his home. He was charged with domestic battery and reckless conduct on a complaint from a 32-year-old Hoopeston woman who, police said, reported that Bernal beat her and forced her to eat laundry detergent.

Bernal, who had served the weekend at the Public Safety Building in Danville, was returned to the facility on the new charges.

Police are investigating the theft of two steel doors taken Sunday night or Monday morning from Hoopeston Express Lube, 1006 W. Chestnut. The doors are valued at more than \$300.

Weather



Partly sunny today. High 85. Tonight, chance of showers, thunderstorms. Low 62. Tomorrow, chance of shower, thunderstorms. High 72, low 58.

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