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Hoopeston Area approves co-op wrestling with Ross-Alvin

Rossville-Alvin students interested in wrestling will have an outlet for their sporting interest.

The Hoopeston Area School Board on Thursday approved co-oping wrestling with Rossville-Alvin, said Superintendent Mark Conolly.

The decision beats the Oct. 1 deadline to file the necessary paperwork with the IHSA and allows the joint program to begin this winter, Conolly said.

In other action, the board:

• approved Tom Garrison's resignation as custodian and

hired Brian Berry as assistant football coach; Kim Burch as middle school assistant student activity director; and Brian Schroeder as assistant middle school drama coach.

- learned the six-day enrollment figure, used to compute state aid, was down 71 students from last year. Since then, 16 students have entered the district, Conolly said. County-wide, schools have lost 299 students based on six-day enrollment figures, he said.
- approved the 2002-03 budget.

New hire gives police department paws

A new officer is putting paws to the pavement as part of the Hoopeston Police Department.

Maggie, K-9 partner of Officer Ephriam Bolin became a certified police dog on Sept. 17 and began patrolling with Bolin last Thursday.

Just 13 months old, Maggie is certified to sniff out heroin, marijuana and cocaine and has also been trained in tracking.

Bolin and Maggie were trained by Vermilion County Sheriff's Deputy Chuck Leverich, owner of Diamond Brook K-9 Academy in Potomac. Though certified, Maggie and Bolin will continue training. "We'll never stop going to school," he said.

Currently, Leverich is training to receive a license in pseudomethamphetamines so that he can

teach officers and dogs to search for methamphetamine, Bolin said.

The German shepherd pranced around the station Monday, antsy to be on the street. "She's already into my schedule," Bolin said. "When I'm getting ready for work, she lays down by the door waiting for me to finish. When I go down the sidewalk to get into the (squad) car, she's already there on the curb waiting for me"

With just a few days on the job, Maggie is already becoming protective of "her" car and her partner. "When I do my traffic stops, her head goes out the window and she starts yelling," Bolin said.

Since the department does not have a canine car, Maggie has

See PAWS on other side

Officer Ephriam Bolin and Maggie, Hoopeston's new K-9 officer



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Paws continued from other side

her own perch in the squad car Bolin uses. Designed and built by Chief Mark Drollinger and Sergeant Jim Goodrum, the hinged wooden seat is covered in carpet and is removable. Each morning when Bolin finishes his 11 p.m.-7 a.m. shift, he takes out Maggie's seat and cleans the car of dog hair.

Hair is the biggest drawback to having a four-legged partner. "That was one of my fears - my fellow officers complaining about the hair," Bolin said. "I could make any bald man a wig with what I sweep out at home."

Bolin purchased Maggie from a kennel in Palatine. He paid for the dog and subsequent care, including training and veterinarian bills. He estimated that including his time, he has spent about \$5,000 to become a canine officer. The city leases the dog for \$1 per year which provides city insurance coverage during her work.

Bolin doesn't mind paying for Maggie's care and was surprised recently by a \$50 donation from an anonymous Hoopeston resident. "It was very appreciated, but not necessary," he said. The money will be used to buy a

food and water dish for the squad car and dog food.

Along with their police duties, the duo may also be scheduled for presentations for local groups, Bolin said.

Police News

Across

1. Lean-to

9. Lick (up)

13. Competent

15. Scrutinizes

14. Time gone by

18. Ask the Lord (for)

27. Persons of little courage

5. Froth

12. Own

16. Tattle

17. Moist

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26. Dish

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31. Diner sign

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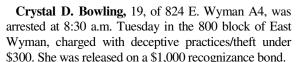
34. Inhabitant

37. Location

41. Pennants

39. Assist

40. Led



A 35-vear-old Hoopeston woman reported Tuesday that someone damaged the rear window of her 1992 Chrysler van while it was in the 900 block of Wilson.

Weather



Partly sunny today. High 75. Tonight, chance of rain. Low 55. Tomorrow, chance of rain early then partly cloudy. High 70, low 45.

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

44. Sahara expense

45. '____ Town', play

46. Lofty

48. Excavates

52. Raw metal

53. A way out

54. Great Lake

56. Fish snares

57. Landlord's income

55. Beverage

1. That lady

3. Miss Arden

2. Fodder

4. Autocrat

7. Everyone

8. Full-flavored

9. Grassy ground

11. Kitchen equip-

19. Fish eggs

5. Deadly

6. Mind

10. Old

ment

Down

- 21. Epoch
 - 22. Fairly flew 23. Talon

 - 24. Loathe
 - 25. Driving hazard
 - 27. Auto
 - 28. Path: course
 - 29. Gambler's 'bones'
 - 30. Transportation
 - for Nanook
 - 32. River bottom
 - 35. Loiter

- 36. Pay attention
- 37. Part of a desk set
- 38. Portable steps
- 40. Stops
- 41. Pay (the bill)
- 42. Entice
- 43. Length x width
- 44. Gash
- 47. Logging tool
- 49. Wrath
- 50. Rummy game
- 51. Determined

Classifieds

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