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## Wellington woman hurt in Iroquois County accident dies

A woman who was injured in a Jan.13 accident has died.

Kersten Herron, 30, of rural Wellington, died Tuesday at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Herron was injured when her car collided with a truck driven by James DeWitt of Hoopeston on Iroquois County Road 2400E and 100N in Lovejoy Township.

Mrs. Herron was brought to the Hoopeston

Hospital, then airlifted to Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana. She was later transferred back to the local hospital.

An autopsy was performed in Bloomington but the exact cause of death will not be known for several weeks, said Vermilion County Coroner Peggy Johnson. An inquest will be held at a later date.

Services for Mrs. Herron are pending at the Knapp Funeral Home in Milford.

## Local woman has designs on local gift-giving selections

A Hoopeston woman hopes to make gift-buying a little easier for local shoppers.

Lorie Lowe has opened Lorie's Gifts by Design, featuring items from World of Products.

Lowe's business currently has two locations, her home at 741 E. Main and at the Corner Closet, 303A E. Main.

Between the two locations, Lowe offers candles, candles scented with copies of designer fragrances, jewelry, picture frames, angels, Americana, medieval items, glass and porcelain figurines and garden decorations. "There's quite a bit to choose from," Lowe said. "There's just something for everyone."

While many items are in stock, more may be ordered from World of Products catalogs and brochures, which are available at both locations. It takes seven to 10 days to receive ordered items, she said.

The idea for the gift shop came because Lowe, mother to kindergartener, Aubry, wanted to be home with her child but also wanted to work. "I like to be available to my daughter," she said. "I also wanted to contribute a little bit to the family."

She also wanted a sense of self. "That way, you're not just the wife or the mother. You're yourself,"

she said.

Lorie's Gifts by Design accomplishes all those goals on her time frame. "I like the flexibility," she said.

Hours at Lowe's home-based shop are by appointment. Shoppers may view her merchandise at The Corner Closet from 1-5 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays from 10

# Hoopeston woman charged with financially exploiting elderly

A Hoopeston woman is free on bond on charges that she financially exploited an elderly family member.

Melinda Hamilton, 55, of 716 W. Elm, turned herself in to Vermilion County Sheriff's Police Monday night. She wanted on a warrant charging her with two counts of financial exploitation of the elderly.

Hamilton was indicted by a Vermilion County Grand Jury following an investigation that began in December, said Hoopeston Police Chief Mark Drollinger. The charges allege that Hamilton, who was in a position of trust with the victim, began the exploitation in 2001, he said.



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## Danville's Rick Miller wins January Budweiser Classic

A total of 57 bowlers converged on tiny Bulan's Bowl in Danville on Jan. 19 for the Budweiser Classic.

After the four games of qualification, the field was cut to five each on the high and low side.

In game one, Doug Wagoner won over Charlie Linzie and advanced to meet number three Jeff Pope. In a close match, Pope won out by a single pin, advancing to meet second seed Steve Rhodes. Pope held on after a split in the ninth frame ended any chance for Rhodes. Pope then lost to top qualifier Terrance Cloyd, 204-146.

On the high side, Jason Turner started his climb by defeating number 5 Bobby White. He then met Don Coan and won out, 199-172. This set up the match between Turner and Rick Miller. In a close game, Miller finally won out 248-238. Miller then eliminated the top

Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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seed of the day, Wayne Fehrer.

That win set up the final contest between Miller and Cloyd, with Miller taking the top prize.

The next tournament will be held Feb. 16 in Covington, Ind.

#### Police News



**Police are** investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 2:35 p.m. Tuesday at South Market and Rt. 9

Police said Grace P. Musk of Hoopeston, in a 1983 Buick, was east on Rt. 9, preparing to turn on Mar-

## Briefly Tiny Tots

"Stars and Moon" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room. Tiny Tots is open to children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

#### **Sweetheart Banquet**

The Hoopeston Area High School drama department and student council will sponsor the 12th annual Senior Citizen Sweetheart Banquet at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 14 in the high school gym.

Hoopeston Area senior citizens who want to attend is asked to call (217) 283-6668 for reservations

#### Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 33. Tonight, chance of snow. Low 25. Tomorrow, chance of snow or rain. High 38, low 28.

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

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