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Sept 1 Monday- Bar & Kitchen open 9am

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Final contestants in National Sweetheart Pageant listed

Editor's note: This is the final part in a series detailing contestants in this year's National Sweetheart Pageant.

Megan Alane Plebani, 22, will represent Vermont in the National Sweetheart Pageant. The event is part of the National Sweetcorn Festival sponsored by the Hoopeston Jaycees.

Plebani, a biology major at the University of Vermont, hopes to become a special education teacher. She will perform an acrobatic jazz dance to "Hey Big Spender" in the talent competition.

Other contestants are:

Virginia: Rashidra Lennel Scott, 20, who will perform the vocal "It Don't Mean a Thing (If it Ain't Got That Swing)" as her talent. The Berklee College of Music student is majoring in music/business man-

agement and plans to become a professional vocal performer.

Washington: 24-year-old Maria Christina Knox, a student at Olympic Community College majoring in voice performance. She hopes to have a career in television, film and theater and will perform the classical vocal "Quando Men Vo" in the talent competition.

Wisconsin: Caitlin Shea Morrall, 20, who will perform a novelty ballet en pointe to "Le Jazz Hot" as her talent. Morrall attends Alverno College, majoring in professional communications. Her plans include pursuing a career in public relations and hopes to one day own a dance studio.

Wyoming: Mindy C. Lein, 23, who majored in biology in college and plans to become a doctor of chiropractic. She will perform the dramatic monologue, "The Odious Lie" as her talent.

The pageant will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are available by calling the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce, (217) 283-7873.

Police News

Ruth Z. Bowen, 39, of 108 E. Beech ST., Ambia, Ind., was arrested at 6:52 p.m. Tuesday in the 700 block of East Orange. She was charged with unlawful possession of a license plate, unlawful display, no valid registration, operating an uninsured vehicle and no front license plate. Police said the Ford Bowen was driving had an Illinois license plate and temporary sticker which was expired and had belonged on an Oldsmobile.

Bowen was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville; the vehicle was towed.

A 45-year-old Hoopeston woman reported Wednesday that she lost her cell phone.

Welcome!

While you're enjoying the National Sweetcorn festivities, stop in for some peach or blackberry iced tea

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West Nile Virus found in first dead crow in Vermilion County

The first West Nile-infected crow has tested positive for West Nile Virus. It is the first indicator of the disease in the county, health officials said.

Since May 1, birds, mosquitoes and horses have tested positive for West Nile Virus in 38 counties. Two positive cases of the virus in humans have been reported in Illinois, including one in Champaign County.

Mosquitoes become infected when they bite infected birds, transmitting the virus to humans when they bite them. The best defense against the disease is to reduce exposure outdoors at sunrise and sunset; wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts, apply repellent with 10-25 percent DEET, keep window screens in good condition and eliminate stagnant water.

60th National Sweetcorn Festival

Aug. 28-Sept. 1, 2003 McFerren Park - Hoopeston

Sponsored by the Hoopeston Jaycees

Thursday, Aug. 28

5 p.m. Gates Open -
\$2 admission
Beer Tent &
Display Area Open
5-10 p.m. Ride Special *Bracelet Night
7 p.m. Truck Tractor Pull 1 (Annex)
11 p.m. Midway & Beer Tent close

Friday, Aug. 29

5 p.m. Gates Open - \$2 admission
Midway, Beer Tent &
Display Area Open
5-8 p.m. Art Show Opens (Girl Scout House)
7-10 p.m. Bingo (Legion Shelter)
7 p.m. Truck/Tractor Pull II (Annex)
National Sweetheart Pageant Preliminary
(Civic Center)
9 p.m.-12 a.m. Lazer & Lights DJ - Oldies - Beer Tent
11 p.m. Midway closes

Saturday, Aug. 30

6 a.m. Flea Market Opens
7:30 a.m. 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk - Honeywell School
8 a.m. Sweetcorn 5K Run - Honeywell School
8:45 a.m. Little Corn Eaters Run - Honeywell School
9 a.m. Gates Open - \$2 admission
10:30 a.m. Grand Parade
Noon Midway, Beer Tent & Display Area Open
Art Show Opens (Girl Scout House)
Petting Zoo, Pig Races, Pony & Camel Rides
1 p.m. Hooterville Iron Car Show (South End)
1-4 p.m. Bingo (Legion Shelter)
1-5 p.m. Free Sweetcorn Served
1-5 p.m. Free Throw & 3 Point Shooting Contest
1-6 p.m. Kitty the Clown (Corn on the Cob)
2-3 p.m. Wabash Valley Band (Band Shell)
3-5 p.m. Ready Steady Go Band (Band Shell)
6 p.m. Demo Derby I (Annex)
7-9 p.m. Ready Steady Go Band (Band Shell)
7-10 p.m. Bingo (Legion Shelter)
7 p.m. National Sweetheart Pageant Preliminary
(Civic Center)
8 p.m.-12 a.m. xKrush (Beer Tent)
11 p.m. Midway closes

SIXTY SPARKLING YEARS

Sunday, Sept. 31

8 a.m. Flea Market Opens
9 a.m. Gate Opens - \$2
admission

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Grant Manor Cowboy Church
Noon Midway, Display Area, Art Show Open;
Petting Zoo, Pig Races,
Pony & Camel Rides

12-4 p.m.

12-6 p.m. Lazer & Lights (Beer Tent)
1 p.m. Children's Fishing Derby
1-4 p.m. Bingo (Legion Shelter)
1-5 p.m. Free Throw & 3 Point Shooting Contest
2-4 p.m. "Hazzard County" (Beer Tent)
6 p.m. Demo Derby II -(Annex)
6 p.m. Beer Tent closes
7 p.m. National Swetheart Pageant Finals
(Civic Center)

7-10 p.m. Teen Dance (Beer Tent) Lazer Lights
Bingo (Legion Shelter)
10 p.m. Pageant Reception
Midway closes

Monday, Sept. 1

8 a.m. Flea Market Opens
9 a.m. Gates Open - \$2 admission
9:30 a.m. Antique Auto Show
Display Area Opens
Noon-1 p.m. Cayuga Bluegrass Band
Noon Midway, Beer Tent Open
Petting Zoo, Pig Races, Pony & Camel Rides

12-4 p.m.

12-5 p.m. Ride Special *Bracelet Day
Art Show (Girl Scout House)
12-2 p.m. Harvestime Gospel (Tent)
1-5 p.m. Firemen's Water Ball Competition (annex)
1-6 p.m. Kitty the Clown (Corn on the Cob)
1-2 p.m. Mitchell's Bluegrass Band (Band Shell)
1-4 p.m. Bingo (Legion Shelter)
3-8 p.m. DJ in Beer Tent - Lazer & Lights
4 p.m. Corn Eating Contest
4-5 p.m. Mitchell's Bluegrass Band
6-7 p.m. Cayuga Blue Grass Band
9 p.m. Midway & Beer Tent close



Letter to the Editor



The members of Hoopeston Trash Walkers, as well as Keep Vermilion County Beautiful, would like to thank the community for the wonderful response to your "Street Corner Collection" at Rtes. 1 and 9 Saturday. Our intent was to show the community how committed we are to keeping Hoopeston clean.

While we did not collect a large amount of garbage from motorists (honestly, were some of you chicken to show us how much trash you had? We all cleaned out our own cars when we were done) we saw a lot of smiles and received a good deal of thanks - not to mention the times we had to tell people to put away their billfolds because we were not collecting money.

Thank you again to those of you who care enough to take care of your garbage. Look for the Hoopeston Trash

Obituaries

GLASS - Alice M. Glass, 80, of Hoopeston, died at 9:20 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 24, 2003 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Milford Christian Church. Burial will be in Sugar Creek Chapel Cemetery, Stockland. Visitation will be one 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Knapp Funeral Home, Milford, and one hour before services Friday at the church. Memorials are suggested to the church.

Weather



Partly cloudy today. High 86. Tonight, chance of thunderstorms. Low 67. Tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. High 80, low 58.

For current weather conditions, (217) 283-6221.

Come rock to the sounds of

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7 p.m. Aug. 29

Pla-Mor Lanes Beer Garden

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Walkers in the Sweetcorn Festival Parade. Please help us keep this a litter-free event!

Kristi Hudson.

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