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Mayor takes part in economic development conference

MACOMB —Rural communities throughout Illinois face major difficulties in stimulating local economies and are trying innovative local economic development approaches.

Chalmers Flint recently participated in the 15th annual Rural Community Economic Development conference hosted by the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs at Western Illinois University, Rural Partners and the Governor's Rural Affairs Council. Lt. Governor Pat Quinn was the keynote speaker at the conference, which highlighted strategies to attract and retain businesses, implement entrepreneurship policies and capitalize on local assets

Jay Kayne, Thomas C. Page Center for Entrepreneurship in Ohio, described award-winning programs currently used in several states. Some of these rural initiatives could be implemented in other areas with similar results.

Kathleen McMahon showed participants ways

to increase corporate information technology applications in development strategies to start businesses. Access to current technology is almost a requirement for modern businesses but many rural areas lag behind metro areas in Internet access.

In the past several years, manufacturing employment in rural Illinois has declined substantially. The conference concluded with organized discussions of ways to retain and attract manufacturing in rural Illinois. These discussions were held in conjunction with the Illinois Manufacturing Extension Center, which provides technical assistance to manufacturers across Illinois.

"Rural Illinois is facing difficult economic conditions," said Norman Walzer, director of the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs at WIU. "Communities that prosper will be those with an entrepreneurial approach and which build on local assets in designing a development strategy."

Briefly

Tiny Tots

"The Color Green" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room. Tiny Tots meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 10:30 a.m. Fridays and is for children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

Passes available

Country Insurance has free passes available for the NJCAA National Men's Basketball tournament at DACC for Saturday, March 20. Passes are for students 18 and under and are good for the entire day - 4 games, including the National Championship game.

Passes are available at the Country office at

626 S. 8th Ave. - corner of W. Elm and S. 8th Ave, next to McFerren Park.

Welcome home party

Friends of Josh Bruens are invited to attend a "welcome home party in his honor at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Hoopeston American Legion. Bruens recently returned from Iraq.

Police News



Jon P. Funk, 20, of 526 E. Thompson, turned himself in to police at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. Funk, wanted on a traffic warrant for failure to appear, was released on \$298 cash bond.

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Bowling Scores



Hoopeston Women's Bowling League

Thursday Night City Men's League

3/1/04			
1.	R&R Body Shop	68	
2.	32 Henning's		
	67		
3.	33 Weber's Drugs		
	62.5		
4.	Yaden-Rethelford	55	.5
			44.5
5.	BJ's Pump		
	55		
6.	45 Royal Bs		
	55		
7.	45 Adda Girls		
	51.5		
8.	48.5 Unger's Jewelry	45.5	
			54.5
9.	Off the Wall		
	43		
10.	57 Family Circus	41	
			59
11.	Gillins Oil		
	40		
12.	60 Bye		
	18		
	84		

High Team Handicap Game: R&R Body Shop 1,089, Adda Girls 1,075, Weber's Drugs 1,053; **High Team Handicap Series:** R&R Body shop 3,070, Weber's Drug 3,024, Family Circus 3,006; **High Individual Scratch Game:** Patti Lowe 236, Glenda Reed 235, Karen Porth 226; **High Individual Scratch Series:** Patti Lowe 614, Mona Birch 605, Glenda Reed 589.

3/4/04			
1.	Team America		
	1079		
2.	59 Con Agra Store Foods	104	
		64	
3.	Pla-Mor Lanes		
	104		
4.	64 Tax Service Plus		
	99		
5.	69 Lazer-N-Lights		
	92		
6.	76 Lawson Products		
	87		
7.	81 P.V. Snow Removal	57	
8.	111 Team 8	5	
		163	

High Team Handicap Game: Con Agra Store Foods 871, P.V. Snow Removal 828, Tax Service Plus 823; **High Team Handicap Series:** Con Agra Store Foods 2,544, Tax Service Plus 2,417, P.V. Snow Removal 2,408; **High Individual Scratch Game:** Russell Reed 265, Jeremy Lane 257, Chuck Crozier 247; **High Individual Scratch Series:** Jeremy Lane 652, Russell Reed 647, Chuck Crozier 613.

Hall of Shame: Doug Goble 95.

Illiana-Farmers League

Standings 3/8/04			
1.	Pla-Mor Lanes		
2.	31 FHHGG	9	
		25	
3.	15 CCPCC		
		24	
	16		

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Swept away
 Dave Morlan of Hoopeston sweeps the snow off his truck earlier this week. In what is typical for Illinois weather, the snow of earlier in the week is expected to be replaced by temperatures in the mid 50s over the weekend.

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Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area Grade Schools

MONDAY: Chicken fingers, corn, bread, oleo, applesauce.

TUESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, fruit yogurt, pears.

WEDNESDAY: Country fried steak sticks, mashed potatoes, gravy, hot roll, peaches.

THURSDAY: Taco/soft shell, salad, pineapple, cupcake.

FRIDAY: Fish nuggets, mac & cheese, baby carrots, fruit cocktail

Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

MONDAY: Double cheeseburger or hot dog/bun, the works, slaw, applesauce.

TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza*, salad, pears, cookie.

WEDNESDAY: Country fried steak/gravy*, whipped potatoes, corn, hot roll, peaches.

THURSDAY: Beefy cheesy nachos, corn dog, salad, pineapple.

FRIDAY: Chicken patty or sub sandwich, tomato soup, crackers, fruit cocktail.

*PBJ is second choice.

Rossville Schools

MONDAY: Taco/soft shell, corn, pineapple, apple crisp.

TUESDAY: Sloppy Joe, California blend, oranges, cheese stick.

WEDNESDAY: Sub sandwich, baby carrots, banana, shape-up

THURSDAY: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, pears, cheddar cheese biscuit.

FRIDAY: Chicken nuggets, au gratin potatoes, apple sauce, bread, butter.

All meals include milk.

CRIS/SAMS Meals

MONDAY: Mushroom burger, parsley buttered

Weather



Partly sunny today and tonight. High 55, low 41. Tomorrow, chance of rain. High 55, low 29. Sunday, partly cloudy. High 43, low 23.

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

potatoes, spinach, bun, mixed fruit.

TUESDAY: Ham & beans, shredded lettuce/dressing, tomato juice, cornbread, cinnamon applesauce.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken salad, white bread, potato chips, orange juice, snickerdoodles, salad dressing.

THURSDAY: Veal parmesan, au gratin potatoes, green

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