

Local, national ceremonies to honor veterans of WWII

Local veterans of WWII are invited to attend events on Saturday, National Dedication Day. That day, the national WWII Veterans Memorial will be dedicated in Washington, D.C. Locally, events will be held at the Hoopes-



Flovd Morts places a flag on the grave of a veteran Tuesday in preparation for Monday's Memorial Day service at Floral Hill Cemetery.

ton American Legion, 502 E. Penn and will include a prayer breakfast from 8-10 a.m., an awards presentation, and from 1-3 p.m., veterans and their guests may watch the national dedication ceremony on a big screen television.

Reservations may be made by calling the Legion at 283-6312.

Memorial Day services set

Veterans and others are invited to attend Memorial Day services in local communities. Hoopeston, Rossville and Milford have all scheduled events. Activities include:

Hoopeston: The annual service, sponsored by the Hoopeston VFW and American Legion and their respective auxiliaries, will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Floral Hill Cemetery chapel. Members of the Hoopeston Area High School band will play and speakers are scheduled. After the ceremony, the community is invited to a free luncheon at the Legion, 502 E. Penn.

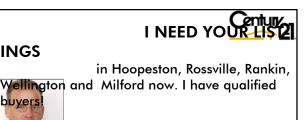
A flag burning ceremony will also be held at 1 p.m. Monday at the Legion. Anyone with worn flags may drop them off at the Legion before Monday.

Milford: Sugar Creek Chapel Cemetery, east of Milford, will be the setting for the Memorial Day service at 2 p.m. Sunday. A featured speaker, songs, poems and readings will all be part of the service. Area veterans are asked to participate in a flag ceremony following the cemetery service.

Rossville: The annual service, sponsored by the Rossville American Legion, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Rossville Cemetery. Following the service, a luncheon will be held at the post home at Church and Thompson streets. Guests are asked to bring salads and desserts to share.

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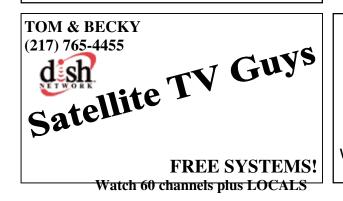
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Skate jam, battle of bands planned for skateboard park

Proponents of a skateboard park in Hoopeston are planning two events to raise funds to build the attraction.

The skateboard park was discussed at a special meeting May 19. More than 25 people met with Alderman Carl Ankenbrand, parks committee chairman, to discuss raising the \$301000-\$50,000 needed to construct the skating area.

A skate jam has been scheduled for June 26 to attract area skateboarders to Hoopeston. The jam is expected to be held at the McFerren Park Civic Center and will have an entry fee of \$3 to \$5.

Before then, volunteers including local young people and others from as far away as Covington, Ind., will meet to build temporary equipment for the skate jam.

A Battle of the Bands is also being planned. Rodney Glass is coordinating the music event for which a date has not been set. Any local band willing to donate time for the cause is asked to call Glass at (217) 260-9214.

Obituaries

Murray Pugh, 92, of Hoopeston, formerly of the Prairie Green Area, died at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 26, 2004 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Nursing Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to church, RR 3, Hoopeston, IL 60942 or the nursing home, 701 E. Orange St., Hoopeston, IL Skateboard enthusiasts discussed holding car washes and Ankenbrand said a local tavern has offered to hold a fundraising event as well.

Mayor Chalmers Flint said he hopes the city council will approve Tax Increment Financing funds for the skateboard park. "That's what TIF money is for," he said. "One alderman thinks it should only be used for jobs but I think it should be used to improve the community. I'll back it 100 percent.

Both Ankenbrand and Flint encouraged youngsters to contact their alderman to encourage them to support funding the skateboard park. "I want it this summer," Flint said. "I don't want to wait until next year."

Police News

Two men were charged with burglary to auto in connection with an incident Wednesday in the 500 block of East McCracken.

Daniel J. Crowley, 24, and Jonathon J. Darling, 20, both of 715 E. Thompson, were also charged with possession of stolen property.

Both were taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Gail D. Savage, 45, of 516 N. Tenth Ave., was arrested at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the 300 block of West Chestnut.

He was charged with alcoholic beverage prohibited in a public place after police allege he was walking on the street drinking alcohol.

Savage was released on a notice to appear.





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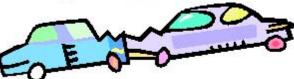


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Trash Walkers

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Defensive driving

An AARP Defensive Driving course will be offered from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. June 8-9 at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Tom Jenkins will be the instructor. The course is open to everyone but is geared for drivers age 50 and older. Taking the course will allow reduced rates on the liability portion of your insurance.

Those wishing to attend must enroll by June 4 by calling the Multi Agency, (217) 283-5544.

Pool opening

The Hoopeston Swimming Pool will open Monday, May 31 with a free swim day. Hours are 12-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. with an adult swim from 5-6. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

On Monday, season passes will be 20 percent off. Cost of passes is \$80 for one person; \$95, 2; \$115, 3; \$130, 4; \$155, 5 and \$15 per person over five.

Food drive

Hoopeston Regional Health Center will hold a food drive in recognition of National Hunger Awareness Day, June 3. The collection will be held May 31-June 4. Items may be taken to Hoopeston Hospital, Charlotte Ann Russell Medical Center, Country Terrace or the health center business office.

Legion annual meeting

Hoopeston American Legion Post 384 will hold its annual election of officers at the general meeting at 7:30 p.m. June 1. Any member in good standing is welcome.

Bowling signup

Summer Fun bowling league (8 Pin No Tap) signup is underway. It is open to people of all ages and disabilities. League runs June 2-Aug. 11. Cost is \$4 per week. To sign up, call Amy, (815) 457-2214; JoAnne, (217) 283-5195; or Mary Kay 283-7353.

Meds Check Area residents may have their medications checked for interactions and information at a Meds Check program at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 1 at Country Terrace.

Pharmacists Connie Wilson of CVS and Doug Higgens of Doug's Pharmacy, Paxton, will present the Meds Check program.

Those who attend are asked to bring all their medications, including over-the-counter varieties, vitamins, herbal supplements and pain medication.

Only 40 people may attend. To register, call (217) 283-9215.

Coaches wanted

Hoopeston youth football is now accepting applications for football and cheerleading coaches for the 2004 season. Applications must be turned in by June 11th. Call Lee at 283-7883 or Ron at 283-6985.

Energy workshops

Help is available to farmers, cooperatives and rural small businesses interested in applying for grants to purchase renewable energy systems or make energy efficiency improvements. Virtual workshops will be



held at 11 sites around the state Wednesday, June 2 to help applicants vie for \$22.8 million in energy grants available nationally from USDA Rural Development.

The web-based workshops scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. will be held in Bloomington, Carbondale, Champaign, Edwardsville, Kankakee, Macomb, Moline, Princeton, Robinson, Rock Falls and Winchester. Eligible applicants can check the USDA Rural Development homepage at www.rurdev.usda.gov/il/energyconference.htm<http://

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