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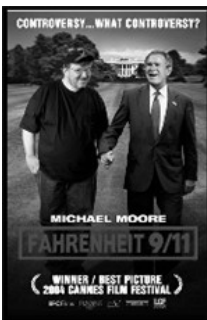
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## Rossville woman named queen of Vermilion County Fair

DANVILLE—Tuesday was a red-letter day for Kristen Hufford.

The 19-year-old Rossville woman was crowned 2004 Vermilion County Fair Queen and her steer was named grand champion.

Hufford is a 2004 graduate of Rossville-Alvin High School and plans to attend Danville Area Commu-

nity College in the fall. She has signed a letter of intent to play volleyball there.

A Hoopeston woman was named second runner-up. Andrea Wilson, 18, also won best speech.

Alison Janesky, 17, of Danville, was first runner-up.

The fair, which started Tuesday, will run

## Organizers hope skaters get on board for first Sk8 jam

Organizers are hoping for a good turnout for Saturday's first skate jam in Hoopeston.

The event will be held from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. at the McFerren Park Civic Center.

Obstacles will be placed around the civic center for participants to jump, avoid and skate through, said organizer Carl Ankenbrand.

Among obstacles planned for the event are a fun box, grind rail, quarter pipes and step obstacles, suggested by Jon Satterfield of Covington, Ind.

Satterfield is "kind of my skate board guru," Ankenbrand said. The two, along with local skate-board enthusiasts, have been working on the project for several weeks.

Each participant must sign a waiver before being allowed to compete.

Ankenbrand hopes that at least 50 skateboarders will show up and show off. "It's kind of neat to watch kids and what they can do on skateboards," he said.

Admission is \$5 per person. Proceeds will go toward building a local skate park. An aluminum can collection will be held in conjunction with the skate jam with proceeds going to the skate park fund.

Also this weekend, BJ's Pump will host a

fundraiser for the skate park project. The event will be held from 8 p.m.-midnight Saturday and will include a DJ, 50/50 drawing and Budweiser prizes.

The skate park, planned for North Side (Cheese) Park, is estimated to cost \$30,000-\$50,000, depending on the types and numbers of obstacles included. Two companies are being considered for the job.

At organizational meetings, local skateboarders have considered ways to raise money to fund the park.

One way is through a band jam set for July 10, also at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Times for the event have not been set.



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White is a nationally touring headliner performing at comedy clubs across the country and on HBO,

## Briefly

### Open house set

An open house for retired Hoopeston Police Officer Roger Beaty will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday at city hall.

Everyone is invited to stop by and wish him well in his retirement.

### Youth football signup

Hoopeston Youth Football and cheerleader signups will be held on Saturdays and Sundays, June 26, 27 and July 10, 11 and 17, 18. Times will be 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays and noon-2 p.m. Sundays. All signups will be at the organization's football field.

The league is open to children ages five-14. Cost is \$40 per child or \$70 per family. Physicals are required and first-year players must bring a birth certificate.

### Summer reading club change

There will be a change in next week's Summer Reading Club for children.

On Monday, all grades will meet at 2 p.m. for a Bike Safety program with Chief Mark Drollin-

ger and Sgt. Jim Goodrum.

Youngsters are asked to bring their bikes, or have parents bring them to the library to have them engraved so they may be identified in case of theft.

### Trash Walkers

Hoopeston Trash Walkers will meet from 8-9 a.m. Saturday at the south side of Maple School to pick up trash in the area.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer is welcome.

### Change in services

First Christian Church, 502 E. Main, will not hold Sunday evening services in the summer. The church will hold a Wednesday Vesper service at 6 p.m.

### Summer reading club

The Summer Just for Fun reading group for older readers will meet at 5:30 p.m. July 1 in the Hoopeston Public Library board meeting room. The group will discuss "The Hobbit."

The group next plans to read "Lord of the Rings" and hopes to have half the book read for the July 15 meeting.

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## Pop-ups, viruses can be more than annoying, can be stopped

Many solutions available are free  
 By **JAMES EYRICH**

Pop-ups - those windows that open on top of a web page you really want to see - are annoying, to say the least and viruses are costing computer users big money when technicians must be hired to fix the damage caused by them.

Home computer users can help themselves and their computers by following a few simple tips, including:

1. Use a pop-up blocker. Pop-ups and ad serving malware programs are rapidly becoming the scourge of home computer users. Spam may waste your time by increasing the number of messages you have to retrieve when checking your mail and increasing the number of messages you must sort through when reading your messages, however they usually doesn't cause your computer to crash and require a visit from a computer technician. Google has a very good tool called the Google toolbar that includes a pop-up blocker that works very well. The best thing it is free. Go to toolbar.google.com and follow the installation instructions.

2. Get rid of existing pop-ups. You may already have spyware and malware programs on your computer. I suggest downloading and running Lavasoft's Adaware and Spybot Search and Destroy personal versions of both programs are free and available at download.com.

3. Keep your anti-virus program up-to-date. Viruses and virus variants are being released into the wild at an unprecedented rate. If your virus definitions are more than a couple days out-of-date your computer and any data you have stored on it are at risk of infection. Even worse is that some viruses and worms now capture your keystrokes. The captured keystrokes which might in-

clude your email account passwords or even credit card numbers are sent to a criminal somewhere on the Internet allowing them to read your email and charge things to your credit card. Norton and McAfee are 2 popular commercial anti-virus solutions. AVG by Grisoft has a free edition downloadable from grisoft.com.

4. Use a cable/DSL router. If you connect to the Internet through a broadband provider (wireless, satellite, cable, DSL, etc) use a cable router to protect your computer from hackers on the Internet. These devices block any incoming packets from the Internet that are not in response to requests that originated from the user's computer. Many of the vulnerabilities found in the family of Windows operating systems can not be exploited when a user has a home router between their computer and the Internet. The small routers can be purchased for \$40 or less. Popular brands include Linksys, Dlink, and Netgear.

5. Use a firewall. If you use dial-in to access the Internet use a software firewall. Windows XP has one built in, make sure to turn it on. Enabling it is explained at [about.com](http://about.com) at <http://mobileoffice.about.com/cs/5/ht/winxfirewall.htm>.

6. Keep your computer operating system and software up-to-date. Use windowsupdate.microsoft.com to download and apply Windows and Internet Explorer security patches. You should check for these updates on a weekly basis. Make sure to install any item listed under the critical updates section.

7. Use proper surge protection on both power and any phone lines connected to your computer. APC and Tripp Lite are two popular power protection manufacturers.

8. The last thing to remember is that if your computer starts acting funny and doing strange things, do not wait long before calling a technician. The longer you wait the worse it can get. The worse the problem, the longer it will take a technician to fix and the more money it will cost you.

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Police said Lucy Sullivan of Wheaton, in a 2003 Chevrolet, and Dovie M. Fouse of Hoopeston, in a 1999 Ford, backed from parking spaces across the street from each other and collided.

A 14-year-old boy was arrested at 5 p.m. Wednesday in the 800 block of West Penn. The boy was charged with theft and possession of stolen property in connection with the theft of a bicycle Tuesday from McFerren Park.

A juvenile petition was filed; the boy was released to his father.

Obituaries

WESTON - Lena Weston, 89, of Hoopeston died at 8:20 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, 2004 at Hoopeston Community Nursing Home. Arrangements are pending at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home.

Weather



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