### **PRICE-LESS FOODS**

### **Daily Deli Specials**

Monday:

Lasagna or Spaghetti \$2.99

Tuesday:

Beef or Chicken & Noodles \$2.99

Wednesday:

Meatloaf \$2.99

Thursday:

Italian Beef \$3.99

Friday:

Catfish & Cod fish \$3.29 \$2.99

Each dinner comes with 2 sides

Choice of hot or cold sides available

### Soup of the day

Monday: Cream of Potato

Tuesday: Cream of Potato or Broccoli

Wednesday: Cream of Broccoli

Thursday: Chili

Friday: Clam Chowder

All soups \$2.99/lb.

### **Biscuits & Gravy**

Monday-Saturday
1/2 order \$1.69 Full order \$2.89

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body of water which overflowed, owner's name and

address, type of structure, date of most recent flood

damage and the kinds of damage done, including

structural, contents, vehicles, landscaping and money

spent on housing if evacuated. Information on previ-

A second page includes a drawing of a structure

and asks the respondent to indicate how high flood

water reached on the structure and also what type of

The packet includes an addressed, stamped return

envelope and residents who complete the forms are

City officials are looking at another grant that may

ous flood damage is also requested.

asked to return them by Oct. 15.

building was flooded.

### City officials seek residents' info to apply for flood grant

Residents of Hoopeston's northeast side are being asked to complete a questionnaire which may help the city get grant money to ease flooding in the area.

The two-page survey is expected to be mailed to 544 households by the end of this week, said executive assistant Loni Garman.

Alderman Kevin Davis, water/sewer committee chairman, said at Tuesday night's Hoopeston City Council meeting that residents in an area north of Honeywell and east of the railroad tracks will receive the questionnaire. Information gained from the results will help the city's application for a \$100,000 grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

If awarded, the grant will match dollar for dollar money spent on flood-related repairs, said Mayor Chalmers Flint.

The flood damage survey requests the name of the

help eliminate flooding.

The Illinois Department of Economic Opportunity has available a \$400,000 grant that must be used to

**See GRANT on other side** 

### Ad for free Willdon Building prompts wire service story

An ad in the Wall Street Journal offering the Willdon Building for sale prompted the Associated Press to do a story on the building.

At Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting, Mayor Chalmers Flint said he was contacted by the AP about the city's hope to give the building away to a company that would create jobs in Hoopeston.

The article was made available on the wire service and was picked up by a newspaper and television station in Iowa, among others.

The 3 inch by 5 inch ad ran in the Wall Street Journal for three days and cost the city \$6,000. The ad has generated about 15 responses, "many from well-established companies with good track records," Goodwine said.

Flint said the companies inquiring represent a vari-

ety of products and services, including an orthopedic group that manufactures and repairs prosthetics, a candy company, a diaper maker and a software company.

Many of the companies have requested information packets on Hoopeston and Vermilion County, including transportation information and Flint has requested information packets from the companies.

Some of the companies have also expressed interest in the former FMC building, Flint said.

Goodwine said the city needs to follow up on the interest, encouraging representatives of interested companies to visit Hoopeston and tour the building. "I'd be willing to drive to Chicago to get them," he said.

See AD on other side

Hoopeston Multi Agency
Annual Ham & Bean Dinner
Thursday, Oct. 7 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Donation \$5 per person
Includes ham & beans, cornbread, drink,
cole slaw & dessert.
Pay at the door
Carry-outs available \$5.50

### Fish Fry

5-8 p.m. Friday

### **American Legion**

502 E. Penn, Hoopeston Also chicken breast & shrimp & grilled fish Includes salad or slaw, baked beans, fries, roll. Carry-outs available 283-6312



## Thursday is \$1 beer night at V.F.W.

Corner of Fourth Ave. & Orange, Hoopeston





every Thursday 7 p.m. **Hoopeston American Legion** 502 E. Penn

### What in the world is new at Global Fashions?

New hoody zip sweaters \$16.99

New Victoria's Secret Jeans \$18.99

Wilkes Wicks **Triple Scent Candles** new scents just in Lots of fall resale name brands at resale prices \$1 items Lots of name brand greeting

cards just 50¢ each!

Always accepting new consignors

Global **(E**)Fashions

305 E. Main St. Hoopeston Open 10 a.m. -5 p.m. Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday

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#### Fish stocking

North Fork Conservation Club will restock the lake Friday.

#### Trash Walkers

Hoopeston Trash Walkers will meet from 9-10 a.m. Saturday at Sixth Ave. and Penn to pick up trash in the area. Anyone who wishes to volunteer is welcome.

#### **Open House**

Friends are invited to help Floyd Sims of Hoopeston celebrate his 80th birthday at an open house from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10 at 901 Wilson, Hoopeston. Cards are requested in lieu of gifts.

#### Hospice volunteers needed

Anyone interested in receiving training to become a hospice volunteer for the Hoopeston area is asked to call Peggy Deffenbaugh at (800) 239-3620. She coordinates volunteers for the Carle Hospice program and may be

reached from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Volunteers will be trained at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave., and will serve the northern part of the county. Training will begin in mid-October.

#### Pet blessing

On Sunday, October 10, residents are invited to bring their pets to be blessed at the 10:30 a.m. service at First United Methodist Church, 403 E. Main St., Hoopeston. Small animals only, please! All animals must be on a leash or in a crate. (The pastor will be happy to make house/farm calls by appointment to bless larger animals - call 298-6738 or 283-6542.)

Let's celebrate together the many ways our lives are enriched by our interaction with animals and with all of God's creation.

#### Alley cleanup

Alley cleanup in Hoopeston will begin Oct. 11.

#### **Grant** continued from other side

acquire acreage to use as a retention/detention pond, Flint said. The grant can be used to repay part of the costs of land already purchased or may be awarded if an agreement to purchase is in place.

At earlier meetings, Flint had talked about purchasing property north of the city to use as a retention pond. Part of the property is contaminated with farm chemicals. However, Flint said after the meeting that approximately 10 acres of the site are not contaminated and that those acres, along with a parcel adjacent to it, might be purchased for the pond.

### Ad continued from other side

The council also needs to set specific guidelines for the conditions under which the city will donate the building. "In my opinion, it's got to be the number of jobs," Goodwine said. Pay rate is also important and the company selected must pay more than minimum wage. The company's record of success and reputation will also be considered.

In praising the results of the ad, Goodwine said only time will tell if the expenditure turns into jobs. "At this point, we're \$6,000 in the hole until we generate a job," he said.

In unrelated action, the council unanimously approved a \$10,000 revolving loan to Jeremy and Jennifer Gaddis to purchase the footing part of Hoopeston Memorials. The loan will be repaid over 118 months at .0575 percent interest. The couple, who each has another job, will repay the loan in full payments from April-September and pay interest only the remaining months, said Alderman Bill Goodwine, finance committee chairman.

The footing portion of the business will provide three part time positions including that of the owners, Goodwine said. Under revolving loan rules, each \$10,000 borrowed must create at least one full time

Hoopeston Memorials owners Dave and Penny Gaddis have an existing revolving loan for \$34,000. Payments on that loan are current, Goodwine said.

#### Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 74. Tonight, chance of rain. Low 53. Tomorrow, chance of rain. High 72, low 55.

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

#### **Police News**



Police are investigating a report of tires taken from a vehicle parked at West Main and Second Ave. The theft occurred sometime before 7:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Lucia M. Ortiz, 34, of 417 S. Second Ave., was ticketed for operating an uninsured motor vehicle, driving while license suspended and two counts of failure to wear seat belts after a traffic stop at 4:43 p.m. Tuesday in the 700 block of South Third St. She was released on \$200 cash bond and a mandatory court appearance Nov. 4.

### **Classifieds**

#### APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Rossville: 1-2 bdrs. Riverview Apartments. Completely refurbished, on-site washers & dryers. 1 bdr. \$310/mo., \$310 deposit; 2 bdr., \$360/mo., \$360 deposit. Call (217) 840-3672.

1 bedroom upstairs apt. Some appliances furnished. \$275/mo. + deposit. References, security deposit. No pets. Available Oct. 1 (217) 304-3477.

#### HELP WANTED

Part time custodian, 12 hrs./week. Contact Rev. Keith Michaels, Rossville United Methodist Church, (217) 748-6760.

HOME VISITOR - Family literacy program seeks to fill a parttime/seasonal position to serve migrant families in Hoopeston. Bilingual (Spanish/English) a must. Primarily evening and weekend hours. \$8.45/hr. minimum. D.O.E. E.O.E. Send resumes to: IMC/Project MAX, Attn: Maria Linares, 530 E. First North St., P.O. Box 136, Wellington, IL 60973.

#### HOUSES FOR RENT

- 2 bedroom house for rent in Rankin. Appliances furnished. \$360/ mo. + deposit. (217) 283-5329
- 2 bedroom house, garage, fenced yard. \$400/mo. + security deposit, references. Appliances included. (217) 260-6161
- 2 bedroom house on Penn St. in Hoopeston. Garage, basement. \$400/mo. + deposit. No pets. (217) 304-3477.

#### HOUSES FOR SALE

3 bedroom house. \$22,000. (217) 283-7928

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#### **RUMMAGE SALES**

820 W. Washington, Hoopeston. Fri. & Sat., 8:30-? Clothing & lots of misc.

415 W. Chestnut, Hoopeston (in alley). Sat., 7-1. Women's clothing, lots of misc.

Call (217) 283-9348 to place your ad!