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Incumbents unseated in Hoopeston municipal election races

upsets in Hoopeston elections Tuesday. Incumbent Mayor Chalmers Flint, Alderman Kevin Davis and Hoopeston Area school board President

Larry Lobb were all defeated at the polls.

The race for Hoopeston mayor was extremely close with only six votes separating first and second place. Bill DeWitt was the top vote-getter with an unofficial count of 355, followed by Lourdine Florek with 349. Chalmers Flint came in third with 331 and Drew Allen with 215.

DeWitt could not be reached at press time for comment.

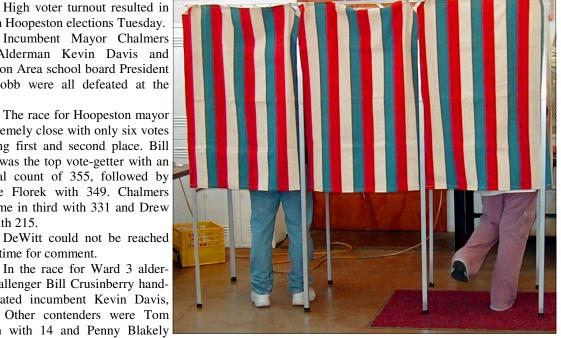
In the race for Ward 3 alderman, challenger Bill Crusinberry handily defeated incumbent Kevin Davis, 143-74. Other contenders were Tom Garrison with 14 and Penny Blakely with 11.

The average voter turnout in city elections was approximately 42 percent, approximately double what is expected in nonpresidential elections.

Four people sought two seats on the Hoopeston Area School Board. Incumbent Lawrence B. Jahn, appointed last year to fill Jeff Stipp's unexpired term, was to top vote-getter with 800, followed by Duane Judy with 628 and Loni Gress with 521. Incumbent Larry Lobb finished the field with 480.

School board totals do not reflect votes from Rankin or Iroquois County.

Other incumbents, including Bill Goodwine



A voter at the Hoopeston Fire Station gives a little kick to balloting.

in Ward 4 and Carl Ankenbrand in Ward 2, ran unopposed. They received 327 and 164 votes, respectively.

In Ward 1, write-in candidate Gail Lane received 142 votes.

Winners will be sworn in at the May 3 Hoopeston City Council meeting.

In Grant Township, incumbents Supervisor Bill Boose and Assessor Susie Sheppard, along with Clerk Sharon Johnson, Highway Commissioner Gary Weinard and trustees Rich Thompson, Dave Ervin. Mike Eckersley and Dale Lithgow ran unopposed for



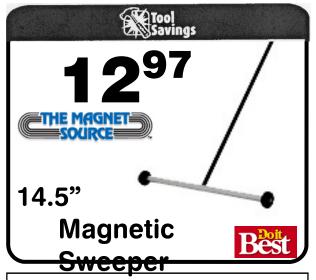
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Briefly

WMD winners

February winners in the Women Making a Difference drawing were: \$25, Don Ervin, Rose Cress; \$15, Louise Hamilton, Rose Cress; \$10, Rose Cress, Gary Shore.

Coffee fund donation

The morning coffee group at the Masonic Star Lodge has donated \$100 to the Hoopeston Junior Women's Club for their carnival April 10. The group makes a \$100 donation monthly to a local charity.

Sports signups

Girls ages 8-18 interested in playing softball in Hoopeston may join the Hoopeston Girls Sports Association. The league is for girls 8-18. Cost is \$30 for one daughter and \$20 for a second daughter.

Girls must be signed up by April 17. Call John Fowler, 283-7563 or John Hardcastle, 283-7456 for information.

Student honored

Ryan Todd, student at Catlin Junior High, has been chosen for inclusion in the United States Achievement Academy Yearbook.

The Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students. Winners are chosen on the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors or other sponsors and is based on academic performance, interest and aptitude and leadership qualities, among others. Todd was nominated by teacher Karla Darr.

He is the son of Robert and Jennifer Todd of Catlin and

Hoopeston Police Department seeks bids for car cameras

The Hoopeston Police Department will seek bids on new digital cameras for four squad cars.

Police committee chairman, Alderman Ed Lotz, said at Monday's Hoopeston City Council meeting that current VHS cameras are old and, because they have been in the trunks of cars, have been exposed to rough treatment.

In unrelated action, the council:

Fire Calls



The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 9:55 p.m. Monday to a report of smoke coming from an electrical outlet at 820 E. Main. No injuries were reported.

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- learned Schuler's Flower Shop was low bidder for cemetery urns, at \$25 each for live flowers and \$44 for artificial ones. Other bids were received from Dawn Lawson and Jonathan Obergfel. The bid is expected to be accepted at the April 19 meeting.
- are accepting bids for a window and walkthrough door at the water department maintenance

Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today, tonight. High 69, low 51. Tomorrow, rain likely. High 59, low 42.

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

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