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Robins added to list of birds tested for West Nile Virus

The Vermilion County Health Department is now accepting dead robins for testing for West Nile Virus (WNV). "Until now, we accepted only crows and blue jays," said health department Environmental Health Director Kolby Riggle.

"The state has notified us that because a number of common American Robins have tested positive, they are now included on the list as one of the birds we can collect and have tested," Riggle said. Additionally, the state has identified a high level of West Nile Virus activity in northeastern Illinois.

Health departments across the state have been acting as the first line of defense against WNV, collecting birds for testing by the state and trapping mosquitoes to determine if West Nile Virus is present in a community. "We currently have eight gravid traps located across Vermilion County," Riggle said. To date, he said, no Culex mosquitoes or birds have tested positive for the virus in Vermilion County. Public health said crows, blue jays, and (now) robins, are the first sentinels indicating WNV activity.

Riggle said birds submitted for testing should be "eligible" birds (crows, blue jays, robins) that have no obvious cause of death such as being crushed on a road-

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West Nile Virus first appeared in Illinois at the end of the summer of 2001. Illinois Department of Public Health reports there have been 16 human cases of WNV this year in the state. In 2004, there were 60 human cases of WNV, and four deaths; in 2003, 54 people were infected by the virus, with 1 death reported; in 2002, Illinois led the nation in the number of WNV cases at 884, with 67 deaths.

West Nile Virus is transmitted through the bite of a mosquito that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. Most people with the virus have no clinical symptoms of illness, but some may become ill three

See WNV on other side

BrieflyBowling meeting

Friday Mixed Bowling League will meet at 7 p.m. Friday at Pla-Mor Lanes. Each team should send a representative. Anyone wanting to form a team should plan to attend.

Trash Walkers

Hoopeston Trash Walkers will meet at 8 a.m. Saturday at the north end of Honeywell School to clean up trash in the area. Anyone who wishes to volunteer is welcome.

Youth fundraiser

Hoopeston Community Church of the Nazarene will hold a fundraiser from 8 a.m.-noon at the church, 402 E. Honeywell. The event will feature a garage sale, bake sale and car wash. Proceeds will be used for the Voice of Truth Rally for youth the last weekend



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THURSDAY: Hot dog/beans, mixed vegetables,

WNV continued from other side

to 14 days after the bite of an infected mosquito. Only about two people in of 10 who are bitten by an infected mosquito will experience any illness. The disease is usually mild, with fever, headache and body aches; but serious illness, such as encephalitis and meningitis, and death are possible. Those older than 50 have the highest risk of severe disease.

Riggle said anyone finding a dead crow, blue jay or robin can call the health department at (217) 431-2662 to have it removed. Birds will be collected until Oct. 15.

For more information on West Nile Virus, visit the Illinois Department of Public Health website at www.idph.state.il.us, or the health department's site at www.vchd.org.

Weather



Partly cloudy today. High 93. Tonight, chance of thunderstorms. Low 73. Tomorrow, chance of thunderstorms. High 88, low 63. Sunday, mostly sunny. High 80, low 57.

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