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Miss Arkansas wins National Sweetheart pageant crown

Adrielle Churchill, Miss Arkansas, was named the 2005 National Sweetheart during this weekend's National Sweetcorn Festival.

Churchill, 20, of Dover, Ark., won after two night of preliminary contests Friday and Saturday and Sunday night's finals.

She was one of 32 women, first-runners-up in their respective state pageants, vying for the crown.

A five-person panel of judges scored the women on swimsuit, talent and evening gown competitions. The field was whittled to 10 for Sunday's finals, then down to five women who were each asked an impromptu question by pageant emcee, Danville mayor Scott Eisenhauer.



CHURCHILL

Churchill attends the University of Arkansas with a double major in political science and Latin American studies. As her talent, she sang Puccini's "O Mio Babbino Caro."

Other award winners were:

- First runner-up: Amanda Kozak, Miss Georgia.
- Second runner-up: Emily Wills, Miss Pennsylvania.
- Third runner-up: Angela Corsi, Miss Michigan.
- Fourth runner-up: Jamie Ginn, Miss New Jersey.
- Miss Congeniality: Meredith McCannel, Miss Montana.



Police News



Kim A. Youkey, 21, of 703 E. Seminary was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident at 5:25 a.m. Friday.

Police said Youkey, in a 1999 Buick, was southbound on Market when she allegedly hit a parked 1994 Chevrolet truck owned by Gary A. Cornelius, also

of Hoopeston. Cornelius' vehicle crossed the northbound lane and stopped in the front yard at 714 S. Market, police said.

Youkey was released on her driver's license.

A **14-year-old** Hoopeston youth reported Friday that someone took a lime green Next bicycle from the 700 block of East Main.

Henry J. Rodgers, 46, of 908 W. Washington was arrested after an incident at 9 p.m. Friday at Park-view Court.

Rodgers was charged with domestic battery and interference with reporting of domestic battery on a complaint from a 22-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged Rodgers shoved her down. When arresting Rodgers, police allege they found marijuana on him and charged with possession of cannabis.

Rodgers was taken to the Public Safety Build-

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Scenes from the Festival

Elizabeth Coon looks over Hoopeston during Saturday's National Sweetcorn Festival Parade while right, Hoopeston Jaycees serve hot sweet corn to festival-goers. Bottom right, a behind-the-scenes look at getting the corn to the crowd while right, pageant contestants from Massachusetts, Georgia, Michigan and Wisconsin wait on the steps of the United Methodist Church for their turn in the parade.

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Police continued from other side

ville to await arraignment.

Elena G. Eiquihua, 51, of 511 E. Main was ticketed for operating an uninsured vehicle after an accident at 5:06 p.m. Saturday.

Police said Eiquihua backed a 1998 KIA from a driveway in the 900 block of East Young and struck a westbound 2002 Pontiac driven by Maria D. Torres, also of Hoopeston.

A 14-year-old Hoopeston girl was charged with purchase/acceptance of alcohol by a minor and disobeying police at 10:05 p.m. Sunday. Police said the girl fell over a bench at McFerren Park, then ran from police.



Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 86. Tonight mostly clear. Low 60. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 85, low 59.

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

Briefly

Music Booster winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: Sept. 5, Bob Dixon; Sept. 6, Mary Jane Dillon; Sept. 7, Jane Gooch/Community Bank; Sept. 8, Cline Concrete Products; Sept. 9, Hoopeston Express Lube.

Neighborhood Watch

Betty Seidel, director of Prairie Center, will be the featured speaker at Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Country Terrace. She will speak on drug-free communities.

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