

Brown's Cash & Carry
is still open
 Mondays-Saturdays
until further notice.
 Watch for our
Liquidation Sale!

Sheila Fix
 Outside Sales Consultant
 Home: (217) 748-6283
 Cell (217) 497-1753
Crown Ford Mercury
Read Chevrolet Pontiac Buick
Hoopeston Star Chrysler



Charlotte Ann Russell
Medical Center
Your Hometown Healthcare Provider
Committed to you and
your family.

Hours:
 Monday-8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
 Tuesday-8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Same Day Appointments available
 Call today.

217-283-5644
 801 East Orange St., Hoopeston, IL

Lourdine Florek
 owner/publisher

Just the Facts®

Phone/Fax:
 (217) 283-9348

Email:
 publish@justthefacts.net

Monday, February 27, 2006

Hoopeston's only locally-owned daily news publication

P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston, IL. 60942

www.justthefacts.net

New email scam seeks Social Security info for identity theft

Jo Anne Barnhart, Commissioner of Social Security, and Patrick O'Carroll, Jr., Inspector General of Social Security, issued a warning today about a new email scam that has surfaced recently.

The Agency has received several reports of an email message being circulated addressed to "Dear Social Security Number And Card owner" and purporting to be from the Social Security Administration. The message informs the reader "that someone illegally is using your Social Security number and assuming your identity"

and directs the reader to a website designed to look like Social Security's Internet website.

"I am outraged that someone would target an unsuspecting public in this manner," said Commissioner Barnhart. "I have asked the Inspector General to use all the resources at his command to find and prosecute whoever is perpetrating this fraud."

Once directed to the phony website, the individual is asked to confirm their identity with "Social Security and bank information." Specific information about the individual's credit card number, expiration date and PIN number is then requested. "Whether on our online website or by phone, Social Security will never ask you for your credit card information or your PIN number," Commissioner Barnhart said.

Inspector General O'Carroll recommends people always take precautions when giving out personal

Chamber, MainSource Bank sponsor identity theft seminar

MainSource Bank and the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a seminar on identity theft. A representative from the Illinois State Treasurer's office will speak from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 8 at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.

Several ways to protect yourself and your family will be discussed. Also, if you are already a victim, information that can help you will also be available.

Reservations are not required. Questions may be directed to the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce, (217) 283-7873 or MainSource Bank, 283-6671.

information. "You should never provide your Social Security number or other personal information over the Internet or by telephone unless you are extremely confident of the source to whom you are providing the information," O'Carroll said.

To report receipt of this email message or other suspicious activity to Social Security's Office of Inspector General, please call the OIG Hotline at 1-800-269-0271. (If you are deaf or hard of hearing,

call the OIG TTY number at 1-866-501-2101). A Public Fraud Reporting form is also available online at www.socialsecurity.gov/oig.

Police News



An 86-year-old man reported Saturday that someone shot a hole in a window at his home in the 700 block of South Fifth Ave.

A 26-year-old Hoopeston woman reported Saturday that someone took a computer from a 1992 Chevrolet parked in the 200 block of East Main.

A 36-year-old woman reported Sunday that someone took her 1984 beige Oldsmobile 88 from her home in the 800 block of East Young.

A 26-year-old man reported Sunday that an unknown

See POLICE on other side

Brighten your table!

Placemats, tablecloths, napkins
 New colors

Or brighten your table with new
 candles, centerpiece or napkin rings.

Flowers & Gifts by Molly Culbert

702 W. Main, Hoopeston 283-5578 Open 7 Days

Looking for a bank that's
 customer friendly and on the go?

That's Us!

Community Bank

Hoopeston, Illinois

Your hometown bank since 1913 Member FDIC

221 Bank St. (217) 283-7733 Rts. 1 & 9 283-9723

221 E. Main, Wellington (815) 984-3130

Get the Max Back Guaranteed.

Maximum Refund.

**We get you everything you deserve or
 it's FREE.**

It's estimated Americans overpaid their taxes by a billion dollars. Don't be one of them. H&R Block will get you the maximum refund you're entitled to, or your tax preparation is free. So every dollar you've earned is where it belongs. In your pocket.

Joyce Allen

110 EAST MAIN

HOOPESTON IL (217) 283-5178

H&R BLOCK

If, due to H&R Block's Error, you are entitled to a larger refund (or smaller tax liability) than what we calculated, we will refund your tax preparation fee for that return. At participating locations. Refund claims must be made during calendar year in which the tax return was prepared. ©2005 H&R Block Services, Inc.

Auto • Home • Life • Health • Business

Harris Agency, Inc.

Todd Harris & Kevin Jett

HOOPESTON

ROSSVILLE

MILFORD

www.harrisinsagency.com



Confused about Buying or Selling?

Call

Jerry Urich, Realtor®

Home Team Century 21

(217) 304-3477



Curves

8th Annual

Food Drive

February 27-March 11

Join with NO Service Fee

when you bring a bag of

nonperishable food items to be
donated to the local food cupboard.

Curves

Call (217) 283-4840 for an
appointment.

Offer based on first visit enrollment and a
minimum 12 month CD program.



New Books at the Library

Fiction

Desert Blood: the Juarez Murders by Alicia Gaspar de Alba (mystery)

A Bride Most Begrudging by Deeanne Gist (inspirational)

Dinner With a Perfect Stranger: an Invitation Worth Considering by David Gregory (inspirational)

Belle Ruin: a Novel by Martha Grimes

Unforgotten by Kristen Heitzmann (inspirational)

Without Mercy by Jack Higgins

Like a Watered Garden by Patti Hill (large print, inspirational)

The Mermaid Chair by Sue Monk Kidd (large print)

Straight Into Darkness by Faye Kellerman

Obituaries

DEAN—Larry A. Dean, 48, of Hoopeston died at 12:37 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2006 at home. There were no services. His ashes will be scattered. Visitation was held from 5-7 p.m. Saturday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

ODLE—Marion Elizabeth Odle, 91, of Hoopeston died at 5:50 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, 2006 at her daughter, Shirley's home in Florida. Arrangements are pending at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home.

Weather



Partly cloudy today and tonight. High 44, low 30. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 53, low 30.

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



CADE'S HEATING & AIR
Your Family's Comfort is Our Main Concern!
Rickie J. Cade
Owner/Operator
616 E. Honeywell Ave., Hoopeston, IL
Phone: (217) 283-7762
Cell: (217) 304-3289
Heating, Air and Geothermal Systems

The Undomestic Goddess by Sophie Kinsella

Child of a Rainless Year by Jane Lindskold (science fiction)

Slocum's Sweet Revenge by Jake Logan (western paperback)

The Rivers of Zadaa by D.J. MacHale (young adult)

The Attitude of Silence by Jeff Mariotte (science fiction)

Hot Fudge Sundae Blues: a Novel by Bev Marshall

Police continued from other side

person started a fight with him in the 200 block of East Lincoln.

A **21-year-old** woman reported Sunday that the driver's side rear window was broken while the vehicle was parked in the 200 block of East Lincoln.

A **28-year-old** man reported Sunday that someone took several items from his vehicle and garage in the 800 block of East McNeil.

A **59-year-old** man reported Sunday that someone threw a rock through a window at his home in the 400 block of South Fourth St.

Manpower

Assemblers needed for Rantoul, Illinois

Requires excellent attendance, ability to stand for 9 hours and excellent finger dexterity. Must be available to work overtime as needed.

Hours:

Mon.-Thurs. 6 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

And Fri., 6 a.m.-10 a.m.

Apply in person on Monday, February 27th from 8 a.m.-10 a.m.

Manpower

3120 N. Vermilion

Danville, IL 61832

Manpower

132 N. Garrard

Rantoul, IL 61866

Call

(217) 442-7844 (Danville) for more details

(217) 893-0146 (Rantoul) for more details



(young adult)

Gil's All Fright Diner by A. Lee Martinez (science fiction)

First Warning: Acorna's Children by Anne McCaffrey (science fiction)

For all your
beverage needs

Ted's Home Beverage

101 W. Main

Hoopeston

(217) 283-7213

Jambalaya Dinner/ Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Serving 4:30-7:00 p.m.

St. Anthony Parish Hall

\$8.00 Adults/\$4.00 under 8

For advance tickets, please call

Bill Goodwine 283-9683

Classifieds

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

For Rent: 2 bedroom upstairs apt. All utilities included. \$350 per mo plus deposit. No pets. (217) 283-9310

Very large 2 bedroom townhouse. Living room, family room, basement. In Rossville. 1,200 sq. ft. Available immediately. (217) 304-2145

CHILDCARE

Licensed day care provider now has openings. Lives in Rossville one block away from the grade school and Rt 1. Call Shala at (217) 748-6186.

HELP WANTED

Full time office assistant position open. Must be customer-service oriented, flexible, possess good communication skills. Send resume to 1006 W. Chestnut, Hoopeston, IL 60942.

HOUSES FOR RENT

3 BR, 1.5 bath house. New carpet, new bathrooms. Available immediately. \$450/mo. (217) 304-2145

SERVICES

Pampered Pet Grooming. Lots of TLC. Call anytime for appointment. (217) 339-2340

Handyman—no job too big or too small. Experienced in home repairs, yard work & more. References available. Free estimates. (217) 748-6803

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