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Hoopeston's history as artwork to grace downtown business

Pretty soon, residents will be able to see a farmer sitting on the side of Rod's Home and Auto at 300 E. Main. Not sitting by the building but rather, on it. The farmer, along with a barn scene, is a mural that

volunteers are painting on the building, part of the downtown beautification effort.



Gina Acosta, in foreground, watches as Alex Lugo and Julie Lopez paint a line for the start of a mural on the Market St. side of Rod's Home & Auto.

Work on the mural began Saturday morning as volunteers, armed with paint brushes and rulers, took the first steps of turning the white-washed area into a canvas.

The scene was drawn by Hoopeston resident Shelly Henk, who watched over Saturday's efforts to bring "Harvest Time" to the wall.

The bottom portion of the barn is expected to be completed in time for Drivin' the Dixie Days June 17 and 18, Henk said. The upper portion, depicting a haymow, is scheduled to be done afterwards, shesaid. How soon afterwards will depend on help from the public as Henk See ART on other side

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Music Booster meeting

Hoopeston Area Music Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the chorus room. All parents of music students are encouraged to attend.

Tiny Tots

"Picnic" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room. Children make bring a sack lunch.

Tiny Tots meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 10:30 a.m. Fridays and is open to children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

This will be the last Tiny Tots of the season.

Flag burning ceremony

Hoopeston American Legion will hold a flag-burning ceremony at 6:30 p.m. Flag Day, Wednesday, June 14 at the post home, 502 E. Penn.

Flags that need to be retired may be brought to the post home after 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday or the day of the ceremony.

The public is invited to attend the ceremony.

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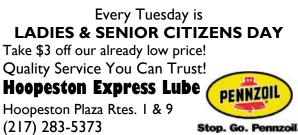
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Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 3:15 p.m. Sunday to a report of pallets on fire at 215 W. Washington. Police also responded.

Art continued from other side

hopes a local business will offer use of scaffolding to make the project easier.

Saturday's efforts drew looks from passing motorists and several residents stopped to comment while walking in the area.

Rod's Home and Auto is not the only building that will get an artistic treatment. The swimming pool building at McFerren Park is slated to be covered in art of Hoopeston's history in time for the National Sweetcorn Festival on Labor Day weekend and other buildings are expected to be decorated with window murals.

Henk said residents with artistic talent are needed to help complete the projects and donations for materials are also being accepted.

Anyone who can contribute time and talent or money is asked to call Pat Fraley, project coordinator, at (217) 283-7246.

Weather

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