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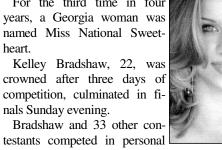


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heart.

interview, swimsuit, evening BRADSHAW gown and talent competitions. For her talent, Bradshaw performed a jazz ballet en pointe to "My Strongest Suit," by Elton John and Tim Rice.

She is the third Sweetheart chosen from Georgia since 2003, when Kandice Pelletier was named National Sweetheart, followed in 2004 by Monica Pang.

Other finalists this year included Miss Alabama, Katie Boyd, 21, first runner-up; Miss Michigan, Gina Valo, 23, second runner-up; Miss Washington, Elyse Luana Umemoto, third runner-up; and Miss Virginia, Caressa V. Cameron, fourth runner-up.



Jessica Michels, 10, of Watseka enjoys a ride on the midway Saturday during the National Sweetcorn Festival.





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Police News



Robert A. Bruens, 29, of 421 E. Honeywell was arrested after an incident at 9:18 p.m. Wednesday. He was charged with violation of order of protection on a complaint from a 23-year-old woman.

Bruens was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Ashley N. Warren, 20, of 1106 Moore St., Danville,

was arrested at 12:38 a.m. Thursday at Bank and Main. Warrant, wanted of a Vermilion County traffic warrant, was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville, in lieu of bond.

Police are investigating a complaint made at 9:39 p.m. Friday by a 33-year-old Hoopeston woman who reported that she had been battered at McFerren Park.

Obituaries

Darren M. Wood, 21, of 715 S. Fifth St., was arrested at 9:25 p.m. Friday at McFerren Park. He was charged with containers prohibited in public places after police said he had an alcoholic beverage.

Wood was released on a notice to appear.

Aaron M. Linares, 23, of 226 W. Lincoln was charged with battery and trespassing on a complaint

made at 11:25 p.m. Friday by a 16-year-old boy who alleged Linares battered him at Parkview Court.

Linares was released on a notice to appear.

Police reported at 2:51 p.m. Friday that a man in a white car failed to pay for \$34 of gas from Casey's General Store, 115 E. Orange.

A 23-year-old Hoopeston

man reported at 12:35 a.m. Saturday that when he returned home, he found an unidentified man in his home watching television. When the victim went to get help, the man struck him on the head. Some items in the home were found damaged.

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BENJAMIN - John Gerald Benjamin, 81, of Hoopeston died at 2:22 a.m. Friday, Sept. 1, 2006 at home. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Bentown. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Monday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Area Sports Boosters or Carle Hospice.

BOYLES - Margaret Louise Boyles, 73, of Watseka died at 2:20 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1 at Watseka Rehab & Health Care Center. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church, Watseka. Burial will



be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Watseka. Visitation will be 10-11 a.m. Wednesday at the church. Memorials are suggested to American Heart Association. Segur-Knapp Funeral Home, Watseka, was in charge of arrangements. She was a sister of Maynard Byers, Mildred Owen, William Page and Max Page of Hoopeston

MITCHELL - Doris Louella Mitchell, 83, of Bloomington, formerly of Rossville died at 12:40 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, 2006 at St. Joseph Medical Center, Bloomington. Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Monday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Burial was in Locust Grove Cemetery near Tab, Ind. Visitation was 10-11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Bro Menn Adult Day Services or a charity of the donor's choice.

Weather

Showers likely today and tonight. High 69, low 55. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 77, low 55.

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