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# **Grant Township gets \$37,000 for former township garage**

The winning bid for the former Grant Township garage netted more than \$11,000 more than the minimum.

David Gardiner, owner of Dago's Truck Repair, submitted the winning bid of \$37,000 at an auction Aug. 30 at township attorney William Nelson's office.

Only one other person bid on the building. Donald Ward of Hoopeston said he hoped to bring an electric car manufacturer to the site but he failed in his attempt to win the garage.

Bidding started at \$25,700, \$100 over the minimum bid of \$25,600. Ward upped the bid to \$27,000, which was countered by \$28,000. Ward then bid \$29,000, which was topped with \$30,000. A \$31,000 bid from Ward was met with a counteroffer of \$32,000. After being bested on his \$33,000 bid. Ward submitted bids of \$35,720, \$36,270 and \$36,720, all of which Dardiner agreed to top.

"I'm so overwhelmed that I was able to get it," Gardiner said after the auction. He plans to expand his repair business but "exactly when and how the good lord only knows."

Proceeds from the sale of the garage, at 701 E. Orange, will be used towards a loan on a new township garage behind Hoopeston Area High School.



Photo by James Eyrich

#### Nose to nose

Demo derby drivers go nose to nose before a packed house Sunday during the National Sweetcorn Festival. The Labor Day weekend event featured two truck and tractor pulls and two demolition derbies.

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Main.

West Penn.

300 block of North Eighth Ave.

was released on a notice to appear.

A 38-vear-old Hoopeston woman reported at 3:15

a.m. Saturday that someone tried to kick in the lower

panel of her back door. The damaged occurred in the

Police reported Saturday that someone threw an ob-

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident that

occurred after 6:30 p.m. Friday in the 300 block of

South Fourth St. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2006

Pontiac owned by Emery Zimmerman of Hoopeston. Zimmerman noticed the damage Saturday morning.

**Anthony J. Chandler**, 24, of 718 S. Fifth St., was

arrested at 9:05 p.m. Saturday at McFerren Park. He was

charged with containers prohibited in public places and

A 54-year-old man reported Sunday that someone

took tools from a vehicle parked in the 700 block of

ject through a window at Stebbins Furniture, 315 E.

#### **Police News**

Ave. and Orange. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

**No tickets** or injuries were reported in an accident at 11:05 p.m. Sunday in the 400 block of South Fourth St. Police said Date A. Houmes of Hoopeston, in a 2005 Dodge van, backed from his driveway at 423 S. Fourth St. into a parked 1998 Buick owned by Richard W. Smith, also of Hoopeston.

Chad L. Williams, 31, of 1388 E 00 N Rd., Rankin,

#### **Obituaries**

**DEPOE** - Thomas Alfred Depoe, 70, of Ambia, Ind., died at 5 a.m. Monday, Sept. 4, 2006 in Indianapolis. Arrangements are incomplete at Anderson Funeral Home.

**RICHISON** - David S. Richison, 74, of Rossville died at 7:22 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, 2006 at Hoopeston Hospital, Hoopeston. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Wolfe Funeral Home, Rossville. Burial will be in Potomac Cemetery, Potomac, with military rites by Rossville American Legion. Memorials are suggested to American Cancer Society.

was arrested at 4:04 p.m. Monday at McFerren Park. He was charged with possession of cannabis, possession of drug paraphernalia and alcohol prohibited in the parks.

He was released on notices to appear.

#### Weather



Partly cloudy today. High 78. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 55. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 79, low 58.

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