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Former Gov. George Ryan sentenced to 6½ years in prison

Former Illinois Gov. George Ryan was sentenced Wednesday to six and a half years in federal prison for corruption.

The sentence imposed by U.S. District Judge Rebecca Pallmeyer was at the lesser end of the punishment scale for the crimes of which Ryan was convicted in April of corrup-

Included in the list of crimes was that Ryan tipped a friend, Ron Swanson, that a new prison was going to be built in Grayville. Swanson used the information to gain a \$50,000 fee for lobbying for Grayville, although the site had already been selected.

Hoopeston was one of the finalist towns being considered for the prison, along with Wenona.

Ryan's conviction means the former governor is in danger of losing his annual \$200,000 state pension.

An investigation into Ryan began when he was Illinois Secretary of State and was accused of selling commercial drivers licenses, including to Ricardo Guzman, who had paid bribes to get his commercial driver's license through Ryan's agency. A 1994 crash in which Guzman was driving killed six children in Wisconsin. The crash led to Operation Safe Road that indicted 79 people, includ-

RYAN

ing Ryan.

Defense attorney Dan Webb is expected to appeal the conviction based on swaps in jurors during the trial after it was discovered two jurors had criminal records.

Some have wondered whether the six and a half years will be a death sentence for Ryan who was nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize in his efforts to abolish capital punishment.

City to bid out current aerial truck, purchase replacement

For those who've had a hankering to own a fire department aerial truck, it's your lucky day.

The Hoopeston Fire Department will sell by bid the aerial truck it received last year from the Watseka Fire Department, said Brandon Hamilton, city fire committee chairman, at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Bids for the 1972 Pierce Seagrave truck will be opened at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 3 at city hall. Information on the vehicle is available from Fire Chief Greg Shipman, he said...

The department then plans to buy a newer aerial truck that will be safer for firemen. The new truck has a bucket on the ladder and is plumbed for air and water to the bucket, Hamilton said.

The new truck will come from South Beloit.

Bids will opened at the same time for the fire department's old rescue truck. After bids are opened, the fire committee will decide whether it is more financially advantageous to see the truck or give it the street and alley department, which has expressed an interest in having it.

That truck is a 1991 Ford with 6,720 miles on it, Hamilton said.

The city is also accepting bids on an old ambulance. Those bids will be opened with the others.

Police News



A 20-year-old Hoopeston man reported Thursday that his vehicle was damaged while it was in the Second Chance Saloon parking lot in the 200 block of North Market.

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Music Booster winner

The Sept. 8 \$100 winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are Steve and Alisa Willis (donated back).

Open house

An open house will be held from 4:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12 at the new Grant Township Garage behind Hoopeston Area High School.

Information on the building will be available and contractors will be on hand to answer questions.

Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited.

WMD winners

August winners in the Women Making a Difference drawing were: \$25, Colleen Dixon Edington and Sharon

Dixon; \$15, Brandy Martin and Dottie Holmes; and \$10, Bonnie Ramsey and Mary Ann Sinclair.

Neighborhood Watch

Nancy Fahey, candidate for circuit judge, will speak at the Sept. 11 Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting at 6 p.m. at Country Terrace. She will talk about her qualifications for the position.

The public is invited to attend.

Prize winners listed from Molly Culbert's tomato contest

Winners in the annual tomato contest, sponsored by Flowers and Gifts by Molly Culbert, have been announced. They are:

Old Irish tomato: Sylvia McNamara, Danville Aubrey Peters, Hoopeston

Old Irish collection: Dorothy Bray, Rossville Old Irish green: Hale Burge, Hoopeston

Pepper tomato: Marg Swan, Ken Kuntz, Hoopeston.

Big Boy collection: Dorothy Bray, Rossville

Oxheart: Larry Ridl, Rossville

Supersonic: Frances Long, Hoopeston

Heirloom collection (most varieties) included Banana, Giant Belgium, Speckled, Roman, Russian, Irish, Noire Anamus: Darrell Tracy, Rossville

Organic grown vegetables: Gib Stock, Rankin

Collection/Lemon Boy tomato: Tom Gress, Hoopeston

Collection/mini tomatoes (cherry, grape, plum, pear): Margarita Payne, Rossville

Potatoes/Kennebuk and Pontiac: Dorothy Bray, Rossville

Old German tomato: Larry Ridl, Rossville

Harvest Basket, canned and preserved (included pickled green beans, zucchini relish, pickled peppers and potato soup): John Bray, Hoopeston

Harvest Basked (included pepper jam, corn relish, Kentucky Wonder beans, pears in cans): Judy Brown, Hoopeston

Harvest Basket (all garden fresh): Tom Fortier, Hoop-

Lemon cucumbers and peach tomatoes: Granville Stone, Hoopeston

Green German by weight: Frank Morris, Rossville

Obituaries

DEPOE—Thomas Alfred Depoe, 70 of Ambia, Ind., died at 5 a.m. Monday, Sept. 4, 2006 at Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center, Indianapolis. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Per his wishes, he will be cremated. Burial will be Monday in Floral Hill Cemetery with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion and VFW posts. Visitation will be 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are sug-

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Scenes from the 2006 National Sweetcorn Festival Grand Parade











From top left, Grand Marshalls John and Kendra Smiley; Sgt. Jim DeWitt rides Chance in the parade; Miss Hoopeston, Ashley Chezem; seven-month-old Robin Betka enjoys his first parade on mom Alisha Betka's shoulders as dad Corey and grandmother Judy Doeden look on; preschoolers bloom on a float.

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Fresh Thighs or Drumsticks......79¢/lb.
10 lb. pkg., USDA Angus Choice Beef

Boneless Sirloin Tip Steaks......\$2.89/lb. Fresh Ground Round 5 lb. pkg.\$2.29/lb.

5 lb. pkg., USDA Inspected

Fresh Pork Steaks.....\$1.59/lb.

Grocery Dept.

14-16 oz. box. Assorted Varieties

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	-Tarts 8 ct. pkg., Asst. \	Var. 4/\$6
34.5-39 oz. can, Ass	orted Varieties	
Folgers Coffee	9	4/\$10
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7Up, Dr Pepper or A&W 12 pk/12 oz. cans...3/\$9 6 pk/.5 ltr btls
7Up, Dr Pepper BC Crush or A&W 2/\$5

7Up, Dr Pepper, RC, Crush or A&W 2/\$5 Lay's Stax Prepriced \$1.5910/\$10 100 oz. Liquid or 67-71 oz. Powder, Assorted Varieties

Tide Detergent\$5.99

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Martha White Corn Meal or Flour...\$1.29 Highbridge Water 6 pk. 16 oz. btls2/\$3

Produce Dept.

Dole Iceberg Garden Salad 1 lb. bag	10/\$10
Yellow Onions 3 lb. bag	.10/\$10
Peeled Mini Carrots 1 lb. bag, Green Giant	10/\$10
Genuine Idaho Potatoes 10 lb., New Cro	p 3/\$10

Dairy Dept.

12 oz. 16 ct. package

Florida's Natural Orange Juice......2/\$5

Frozen Dept.

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Inland Valley Potatoes.....2/\$3

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Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken patty/bun, tri-tator, applesauce, cookie.

TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza, salad, pears.

WEDNESDAY: Country fried steak sticks, whipped potatoes, bread, butter, peaches.

THURSDAY: Hot dog/bun, fries, animal crackers, pineapple.

FRIDAY: Grilled cheese, fries, fruit cocktail.

Hoopeston Area High/Middle schools

MONDAY: Biscuit/sausage gravy, tri-tator, scrambled eggs, applesauce; Choices: hot dog/bun, ham & cheese/bun.

TUESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, pears; Choices: chicken patty/bun, corndog.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken strips, corn, peaches; Choices: pizza, rib/bun.

THURSDAY: Taco/soft shell, salad, pineapple: Choices: chicken nuggets, BBQ/bun.

FRIDAY: Toasted cheese, fries, crackers, fruit cocktail; Choices: hamburger/bun, fish/bun.

CRIS/SAMS Meals

MONDAY: Lasagna casserole, salad/dressing, grape juice, Italian bread, apricots.

Weather



Partly cloudy today and tonight. High 83, low 58. Tomorrow and Sunday, chance of thunderstorms. High today 82, low 57. Sunday, high 74, low 55.

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

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WEDNESDAY: Chicken tetrazzini, peas, carrots, diced peaches white bread.

THURSDAY: Steak fingers, mixed greens black eyed peas, tomato juice, wheat bread.

FRIDAY: Cube steak, beets, green beans, wheat bread, cantaloupe.

All meals include milk.

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RUMMAGE SALES

846 E. Penn, Hoopeston. Sat., 7-11 a.m. Carter/multi family. Kids clothes, toys, adult clothes, furniture

631 W. Maple, Hoopeston. Moving sale Fri. & Sat., 8-? Plus size clothing, some furniture, a lot of everything!

202 N. Church, Rossville. Fri. & Sat., 8-5. Furniture, lots of 25ϕ items.

313 W. Elm, Hoopeston. Sat., 7-? Clothes (some junior), remote controlled Hummer, books, lots of misc. Something for everyone!

418 W. Chestnut, Hoopeston. Sat., 7-11 a.m. Great for Back to School. Lots of kids' clothes and jackets (boys to size 7, girls to size 6) Tommy Hilfiger, Gap, Old Navy, Nike, etc.; kids shoes, boots and soccer cleats; Little Tyles 3-in-1 nursery and kitchen; remote-controlled Barbie Corvette; Yu-Gi-Oh cards and t-shirts; much more. Adult clothing 25¢ each.

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