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ICC hearing on railroad crossings draws township interest

A scheduled meeting between the Illinois Commerce Commission and Milford officials scheduled for this month is drawing interest from other government agencies.

The hearing was scheduled so Milford officials could discuss the state of rail crossings in the village and while that issue has been resolved, representatives of other governing boards either plan to attend or are interested in what transpires.

That is true of Grant Township Road Commissioner Gary Weinard. At Tuesday's township board meeting, Weinard talked about the condition of some rail crossings in the county. Four crossings in the township are reportedly on a list to be repaired, he said, but when those repairs will be made is unknown. "We have people ask almost daily about those crossings," he told the board.

In other business, the board again discussed fire protection in rural Grant Township.

Briefly

Banquet tickets available

The Hoopeston Community Awards banquet will be held Monday, Jan 29 at the Hoopeston Civic Center. Tickets are \$12.50 and are available at the Chamber Office, the Chronicle, and the high school office.

Social hour will begin at 6p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the awards program at 7 p.m.

Meetings

- Rossville Village Board, 7 p.m. Monday, village office.
- Hoopeston City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, city hall.
- Hoopeston Area School Board, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, high school library.

Since 1993, Grant Township has paid \$13,100 per year to Hoopeston for protection. Late last year, Hoopeston officials requested the amount be raised to \$30,000.

Supervisor Bill Boose said he is concerned that the township will have to pay more while insurance companies, which include coverage for fire protection in most policies, pay nothing. "It isn't right," he told the board.

The same is true of vehicle insurance covering accidents in the rural area that require firemen for extrication or wash downs of gasoline spills.

In unrelated business, the board:

- Approved the 2007 list of holidays which mirrors the 14 approved by Vermilion County
- Approved paying Russ Leigh & Associates not more than \$2,200 for the annual audit.

Police News



A **31-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported at 12:59 a.m. Friday that she was awakened to the sound of broken glass and found a window broken and a large rock beneath the window. The damage occurred in the 300 block of West Penn.

Timothy A. Burke, 39, of 118 E. Lincoln, was arrested after a traffic stop at 10:57 p.m. Saturday in the 300 block of South Market.

Burke was charged with unlawful display of license plates and was released on \$100 cash bond.

A **63-year-old** man reported Sunday that someone took his 1999 Dodge truck from the 900 block of East Main. License plate on the black and silver truck is 27748K.

The theft occurred after 7 p.m. Saturday and 7:30 a.m. Sunday.



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Bowling Scores

Hoopeston Women's Bowling League
12/18/06

	Won	Lost
1. Olympic Hardware	41	15
2. Gillins Oil	40	16
3. Mike's Team	34	22
4. HRHC	31	25
5. Adda Girls	30	26
6. Main Source Bank	30	26
7. R&R Body Shop	26	30
8. Webers	24	32
9. Mike's Lady Bugs	21	35
10. Bye	3	53

High Team Handicap Series: Adda Girls 2349, Mike's Lady Bugs 2300; **High Team Handicap Game:** HRHC 805, Mike's Team 802; **High Individual Scratch Game:** Cassie Samet 214, Karen Porth/Nichole Witty/Mona Birch 199, Laurie Murphy/Candis Clayborn 192; **High Individual Scratch Series:** Candis Clayborn 520, Barb Rethelford 512, Shelly Snyder 486.

Thursday Afternoon Ladies League
12/21/06

	Won	Lost
1. Pla-Mor	34	11
2. H&R Block	24	21
3. Carolyn's	23	22
4. Unger's	21	24
5. Knuth's	18	27

6.Tooth Fairies 145 30
High Team Handicap Game: H&R Block 847, Pla-Mor 842, Unger's 824; **High Team Handicap Series:** Pla-Mor 2465, H&R Block 2438, Unger's 2365; **High Individual Scratch Game:** Judy Clark 210, Jackie Langdoc 192, Tammy Bertram/Sharon Potter 189; **High Individual Scratch Series:** Sandra Mullen 510, Darlene Musk 499, Sharon Potter 492.

Thursday Afternoon Ladies League
12/28/06

	Won	Lost
1. Pla-Mor	34.5	13.5
2. Carolyn's	25	23
3. H&R Block	25	23
4. Unger's	23	25

5. Knuth's 20.5 27.5
6.Tooth Fairies 16 32
High Team Handicap Game: Tooth Fairies 837, Knuth's 836, Pla-Mor 829; **High Team Handicap Series:** Knuth's 2434, Pla-Mor 2399, Unger's 2363; **High Individual Scratch Game:** Kathy Cox 216, Darlene Musk 201, Sandra Mullen 193; **High Individual Scratch Series:** Darlene Musk 548, Sandra Mullen 530, Teri Bell 522.

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Obituaries

McQUAY - William L. McQuay, 87, of Cissna Park, formerly of Anderson, Calif., died at 12:26 a.m. Friday, Jan. 12, 2007 at Watseka Rehab & Health Care Center, Watseka. Funeral services was at 3 p.m. Saturday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Graveside service will be in Turlock Memorial Park, Turlock, Calif. Visitation will be one hour before services at the funeral home.

PETTICE - Florence I. Pettice, 89, of Alvin died at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Jan. 10, 2007 at North Logan Health Care, Danville. Funeral service was at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Wolfe Funeral Home, Potosi. Burial was in Gundy Cemetery Bismarck. Visitation was 1 -2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

WAGONER - William "Bill" Oscar Wagoner, 76, of Hoopeston died at 6:01 a.m. Thursday at home. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston, with military rites by the Hoopeston American Legion and VFW posts. Visitation was 5-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to First Christian Church, Hoopeston.

Weather

Chance of snow today. High 32. Tonight, cloudy. Low 14. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 22, low 12.
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