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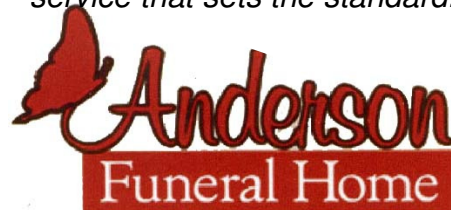
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Rescheduled Employer Resource Workshop set Wednesday

Employers who would like to know more about resources available to local businesses are invited to attend the Employer Resource Workshop at the Hoopeston Multi Agency.

The workshop will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at 206 S. First Ave., and will allow business owners to learn about available services and how to partner with participating organizations to enhance business

operations in Hoopeston.

The workshop is sponsored by the Division of Rehabilitation Services, Danville Area Community College, Illinois Department of Economic Securities, Experience Works and the Multi Agency.

A luncheon will be served so those planning to attend are asked to call (217) 283-5544 so that enough food will be available.

— Briefly —

Tiny Tots

"It's So Nice to Have a Wolf Around House" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots at the Hoopeston Public Library. 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.

Drivin' the Dixie help needed

Hoopeston's Drivin' the Dixie Day wants food and craft vendors and yard sale participants for June 16 at McFerren Park. If you or your organization have something to sell, call the Chamber, 283-7873, or Melissa Bird, 283-5518 to reserve your space at the 100 Mile Yard Sale. A \$5 fee for space goes towards advertising.

Music booster winners

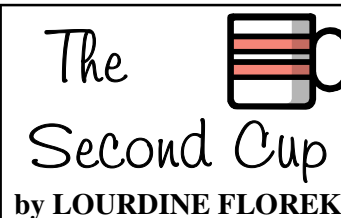
Recent \$100 winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are:

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| Jan 5 | Glen and Shelle Franke |
| Jan 12 | Roger & Nancy Thorn |
| Jan 19 | Teri & Gary Warf |
| Jan 26 | Alpha Chi Chapter of ESA |
| Jan 27 | Beach Party Music Preview Winner—Allen & Janie Baker |
| Feb 2 | Tom Mason |
| Feb 9 | Larry Bury |
| Feb 16 | Gary Lucht |
| Feb 23 | Scot Danner |

Personal plea extended for help towards gaining grants

Last month I ran a story about two local organizations hoping to get Hometown Helper grants from Hamburger Helper.

Hoopeston Youth Baseball has applied for an \$8,000 grant to update their concessions stand and the City of Hoopeston has applied for a \$10,000 grant to update the kitchen at the civic center.



by LOURDINE FLOREK

Part of the criteria for the grants is community support and to make that easier, the Hometown Helper project has a website where people can go and jot a little note about why these projects are so important to our community.

As I write this, 51 people have written about the civic center project. Thirty-

See GRANTS on other side

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Police News

Carl J. Bradford, 48, of 643 Trego, was arrested at 5:25 p.m. Saturday in the 600 block of Trego Dr. He was charged with domestic battery after he allegedly battered his 47-year-old girlfriend. The girlfriend was taken by ambulance to Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital where she was treated and released.

Bradford was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Two women were arrested at 11:42 p.m. Saturday after an altercation at Deano's on Main, 306 E. Main.

Cynthia M. Burk, 44 and Charlene S. Hofer, 46, both of 620 E. Main, were charged with battery under city ordinance. Each was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston court.

The owner of a Chrysler car key found in the 700

block of South Market claimed the key Sunday.

A 16-year-old boy was arrested at 4 p.m. Sunday in the 300 block of North Sixth Ave. The boy was charged with domestic battery, aggravated battery, resisting arrest and probation violation.

Police said they were called to the boy's home on a complaint from a 31-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged the boy her. The boy then allegedly spit in an officer's face.

The youth was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville for processing and then t the Vermilion County Juvenile Detention Center.

A 47-year-old man reported at 7:06 a.m. Monday that someone broke into a shed in the 300 block of North Tenth Ave. A lock had been pried off the door hasp.

Court Dispositions

Feb. 1

Mary J. Martinez, Hoopeston, status hearing Feb. 15.

John E. Hensly, Jr., Hoopeston, status hearing Mar. 15.

Keith A. Whorall, Hoopeston, status hearing Mar. 15.

Sarah E. Mahorney, Rossville, status hearing Mar. 15.

Edward A. Houser, Hoopeston, status hearing April 5.

Karen M. Heath, Hoopeston, status hearing April 5.

Apolinar Solis, Hoopeston, status hearing April 5.

William E. Drollinger, Hoopeston trial date Mar. 1.

Cyndi R. Houston, Hoopeston, status hearing Mar. 1.

Feb. 15

James J. English, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to possession of cannabis, fined \$280; status hearing Mar. 15.

James J. English, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$280; status hearing March 15.

Letters to the Editor

Good neighbors still around

I just cannot take anymore of this "there's no good neighbors" kinda thing. We are in our 70s and have lived in the same house for 41 years. Our neighbors come and go.

We were snowed in about a foot on the walk to the street and our poor car was just one big snowdrift. Our next door neighbors and their next door neighbors very early in the morning dug out our car and started it and shoveled our walk to the street. We moved the car to the other side of the street where the snow plow had already been through and they came back and got our snow.

Nope, never let it be said there are no more good

neighbors. We are very appreciative of what Brandi, Ryan and Tommy did for us. And maybe a good solution would be that the snow plow lift the blade when passing already shoveled driveways and side walks.

Georgie and "Stoney"
Hoopeston

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 72. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 50. Tomorrow, chance of storms. High 58, low 42.

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

Grants continued from other side

-eight have written on the youth baseball request. I know this because I am number 51 and 38, respectively.

I meant to do it earlier but got busy and forgot. Today, I went to the site to get the totals thus far for an update and was unpleasantly surprised at so few responses.

Youth baseball - Little League - has certainly touched more than 38 lives in this community over the course of the years. Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of children have played summer ball and benefited from the program.

The same is true of the civic center, which has housed so many private and public functions, not to mention the walkers who use it daily.

This is your chance to help two Hoopeston institutions and you don't even have to work up a sweat to do it.

The link for the Civic Center project is:
www.myhometownhelper.com/ViewProject.aspx?tell=1&id=15394.

The link for the Youth Baseball project is:
www.myhometownhelper.com/ViewProject.aspx?tell=1&id=14648.

I'm asking my readers to please take a moment to assist these groups in their efforts.

For those who live in Hoopeston but don't have a computer, they are available at the Hoopeston Public Library, with helpful staff to assist you in reaching the site.

For those who read Just the Facts online, simply click on the addresses, which will take you directly to the sites.

It won't take long since the maximum you may write is 400 characters, and it would mean a lot to both these groups.

Please take a moment to be a "Hometown Helper."

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