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Hoopeston Area board names middle, high school principals

The people who will head Hoopeston Area Middle and High School were introduced to the public at Thursday night's Hoopeston Area School Board meeting.

Anne Burton was named as middle school principal, while Larry Maynard will lead the high school.

Burton comes to Hoopeston Area from Potomac High School, where she served as teacher, computer coordinator and assistant principal. Prior to her 18-year stint at Potomac, the Armstrong resident taught kindergarten in Rankin.

Maynard has been at Rantoul High School for the past three years, serving as dean of students and assistant to the principal. Prior to that, the Dwight-area native worked at Judah Christian Junior High and High School.

The two replace Hank Hornbeck who was promoted to superintendent. He and the new principals will begin their duties next month.

While Hornbeck served as principal of both schools, the board "thought we needed to boot a principal back in the middle school," said board President Mark Wagoner.

Teacher Chris Newman, representing the Hoopeston Education Association, said "I think it will make our programs stronger here."

"We're all in agreement about that," Wagoner replied.

In unrelated discussion, Hornbeck presented the board with a high school improvement plan designed to bring



BURTON



MAYNARD

up the school's graduation rate, as well as math and reading scores.

Hornbeck said the high school failed to make average yearly progress (AYP) with its 2005-06 graduation rate and so had to come up with a remediation plan. The 54-page plan includes specifics for remedying the graduation rate, along with math and reading scores, which were at acceptable levels.

The plan, which includes teacher training at \$5,000 this year and \$5,000 next year, was developed by a committee including Hornbeck and teachers.

In other discussion, interim Superintendent Don Dean said district finances are in good shape, adding the one area of concern is the transportation fund, which has problems that will need to be addressed, caused by increased fuel prices.

Dean also announced that the district tax rate will drop by about seven cents but that its equalized assessed valuation (EAV) rose only two-tenths of a percent. The small increase means that the district cannot count on more property taxes nor an influx of students and so will be more dependent on state funding. "We're just not having a lot of growth," he said.

While not encouraging, the news is not devastating either. "Right now our finances are sound and we've got a (teachers) contract we can afford," he said.

In other action, the board:

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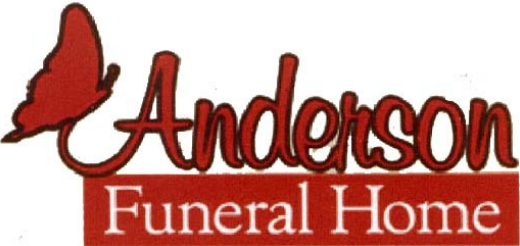
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Police News



Police chase garden variety criminal

A Monticello man was arrested after he allegedly stole plants from Pamida and fled to Indiana.

Police responded at 1:06 a.m. Saturday to Pamida, 1020 W. Chestnut, after receiving a report of someone taking garden plants and other items from the store. Police reported that when officers arrived, a black station wagon was leaving the scene. Officers tried to stop it but the driver refused to stop and drove on Rt. 9 into Indiana.

The driver, Daniel W. Raup, 38, of 219 E. Center, Monticello, was eventually stopped and arrested south of Tab, Ind. He was taken to the Warren County, Ind., Sheriff's Department to await extradition to Illinois on charges including retail theft, fleeing and eluding a police officer, driving on revocation and speeding.

The stolen items were returned to the Hoopeston Police Department where they were logged as evidence and returned to Pamida.

In other police news:

A **25-year-old** man reported Thursday that sometime between May 2 and Thursday, someone kicked in the front door of a residence in the 300 block of East Seminary and took several items.

A **girl's purple** and white Huffy Glitter bicycle was found at 10:45 a.m. Friday in the 200 block of West Elm. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

An **orange and** black Next Rampage bicycle was found at noon Friday in the 500 block of Dice. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Timothy A. Burke, 40, of 118 E. Lincoln was arrested at 3:10 p.m. Friday in the 100 block of East Lincoln.

Burke, wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant, was released on \$300 cash bond with a court date in Vermilion County Circuit Court.

A **20-year-old** Hoopeston man reported at 12:26 a.m. Saturday that someone attacked him and stole money from him. The alleged robbery and battery occurred at West Main and Fourth Ave.


No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 12:58 p.m. Saturday in the 700 block of South First Ave.

Police said Catherine Olson of Hoopeston, in a 1995 Ford, was parked on the west side of the street, backed out and hit a 1992 Chevrolet driven by Sara Morgeson, also of Hoopeston.


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WEDNESDAY: Meatballs w/rice & gravy, lima beans, peas & carrots, diced peaches.

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

FRIDAY: Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, California blend vegetables, fresh apples, peanut butter cookie, rye bread.

All meals include milk.

HA continued from other side

- Approved resignations of Stephanie Shipman, John Greer personnel aide and Carl Ankenbrand as middle school wrestling coach.
- Approved transferring Christy Hott from fifth grade to Title 1 and Ann Penicook from middle school dean of students to district curriculum coordinator.
- In transferring Penicook, the board had to approve an amendment to the contract with the HEA because a curriculum coordinator position was not listed in the document.
- Approved hiring:
 - Brianne Dilpeck, fifth grade teacher
 - Jennifer Ellis, elementary band instructor
 - Jodie King, speech therapy
 - Stephen Wanderlich, high school science
 - Penny Stephenson-Woolwine, middle/high school

choral director

Jennifer Anderson, John Greer personal aide


Don Dean, district treasurer

Rachel Whiteman, Maple personal aide.

Dean said the hirings mean all teachers are set for next school year and only about three aide positions are open. "We're in really good shape for June," he said.

- The board also approved all certified contracts and non-certified wage agreements for the 2007-08 year.

Weather



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