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Former funeral director, race coordinator dies at age 56

Bill Orr, former owner and operator of Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home and coordinator of the annual Sweetcorn Classic 5K race has died at age 56.

Mr. Orr worked in the funeral home with his father, Gene, and in 1989, the elder Mr. Orr passed the torch on to his son, who retired from the business in August 2006, selling it to Ryan Anderson.

Mr. Orr was a founder and coordinator of the Sweetcorn Classic held each year on the Saturday of the National Sweetcorn Festival. He coordinated the race from 1978 to 1982, then stopped until 1989 when he and Joe Linares reinstituted it. Mr. Orr co-

ordinated the event by himself after Linares moved from Hoopeston.

This year, volunteers carried on with the race for Mr. Orr, who was too ill.

"He was always pretty upbeat, said Anderson, who worked with Mr. Orr for many years before purchasing the funeral home. "He had a good sense of humor and a nickname...he had a nickname for everybody."

Mr. Orr died at 2:30 a.m. Monday at his sister's home in Mattoon. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

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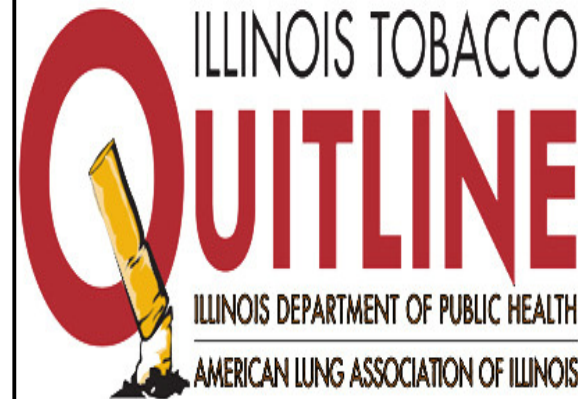
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September 6, 2007
Ryan L.J. Bell, Hoopeston, failed to appear for re-
 straint of dogs by owner or keeper, found guilty by de-
 fault; sentencing Oct. 18.
Abbie L. Howie, Hoopeston, trespassing, dismissed.
April A. Yanders, Rossville, failed to appear for gen-
 eral nuisance, found guity; sentencing Oct. 18.
Joseph E. Kempen, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to

disorderly conduct, fined \$180; status hearing Dec. 6.
Brock C. Pennington, Hoopeston, pleaded guilty to
 disorderly conduct, fined \$180; status hearing Nov. 1.
Edward A. Houser, Hoopeston, status check Nov. 1.
Christopher T. Ford, Hoopeston, case to be regis-
 tered with Vermilion County Circuit Court, Danville.
Marvin M. Hofer, Hoopeston, given 24 hours' com-
 munity service in lieu of fine; status hearing Nov. 1.

Pamela S. Crose, Hoopeston, fined \$280 for general
 nuisance, converted to 37 hours' community service work;
 status check Dec. 6.
Charlotte M. Akins, Hoopeston, failed to appear at
 sentencing, fined \$580 for battery; status hearing Nov.
 1.
Robert E. Milburn Jr., Hoopeston, fined \$280 for bat-
 tery; status hearing Nov. 1.



New Books at the Library



Fiction
 The Penguin Who Knew Too Much: a Meg
 Langslow Mystery by Donna Andrews (mystery)
 The Elves of Cintra by Terry Brooks (science fic-
 tion)
 Play Dirty by Sandra Brown
 The Rake: a Novel by William F. Buckley
 Jinx by Meg Cabot (young adult)
 An Irish Christmas by Melody Carlson

(inspirational)
 Play With Fire: a Novel by Melody Carlson (young
 adult)
 Critical by Robin Cook
 Agnes & the Hitman by Jennifer Crusie
 Sweet Revenge by Diane Mott Davidson (mystery)
 Lord John and the Brotherhood of the Blade by
 Diana Gabaldon
 The Accidental Time Machine by Joe Haldeman

(science fiction)
 The Dead Don't Lie: an Abe Lieberman Mystery by
 Stuart M. Kaminsky (mystery)
 The Burnt House by Faye Kellerman
 Fame by Karen Kingsbury (large print, inspirational)


Briefly

Town Hall meeting
 The City of Hoopeston will be hosting a Town Hall
 Meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25 at St. Anthony's
 Parish Hall. The purpose of this meeting will be to pro-
 vide a report on the outcomes of the Hoopeston Vision-
 ing Process. The four high priority goal areas
 (infrastructure, housing, business retention and expan-
 sion, and downtown revitalization) will be discussed in
 detail at this meeting. You will have the opportunity to

provide input into the visioning process and sign up to
 be involved on a committee or volunteer for various
 projects. We hope to see you on Tuesday, September
 25th - Your involvement is important to Hoopeston's
 future growth!
 If you have questions or need additional information
 contact the Economic Development Office at 283-7873.

Tiny Tots
 Tiny Tots will not be held next week.
Scouting signup
 Daisy, Brownie and Girl Scout signup will be held
 from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the Girl Scout Little
 House in McFerren Park. This is a great way to meet
 new friends and have lots of fun.

Weather



Sunny today. High 88. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low
 63. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 87, low 62. For cur-
 rent weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Ser-
 vice, (217) 283-6221.

Prairie Green Church of Christ
invites you to hear
Doug Carmel
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 Doug will share information on Old Testament Feasts
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