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Vermilion County Health Department sets area flu clinics

With 4,000 doses of seasonal influenza vaccine on hand, the Vermilion County Health Department is announcing its flu clinic schedule for this year. Health officials say the on-time delivery of flu vaccine is a pleasant departure from recent years. "We have been frustrated with delays in vaccine shipments the last three years which have led to artificial shortages and a great deal of confusion and frustration for the public," according to health administrator Steve Laker. He said delayed shipments last year caused a surplus of vaccine at the health department to go unused. "The delays cost us money and certainly impacted the public's confidence in

the flu program," he said, adding, "we are pleased to have the vaccine on hand and we are ready to go."

With no vaccine shortages this year, Laker said the health department joins the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in encouraging those most at risk from flu complications to get vaccinated early, including anyone over the age of 50 and those with chronic health conditions who might face complications from flu.

The health department will offer flu shots for adults 18 years of age and older at their Danville facility, 200 South College Street:

- Tuesday, Oct. 2 8am - 4pm
- Wednesday Oct. 3 8am - 4pm
- Tuesday, Oct. 9 8am - 4pm
- Wednesday, Oct. 17 8am - 7pm

External county clinics will be held at:

- Georgetown Fair Banquet Center, 413 N. Seminary, Georgetown, from 1-5:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11.
- Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave., Hoopeston, from 1-5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15.

The health department will also offer a drive-thru flu shot clinic for those who have trouble walking. Those who wish to get their flu shot during the drive-thru clinic must pre-register by calling the Vermilion County Health Department at (217) 431-2662. Drive-thru clinic for pre-registered, non-ambulatory individuals will be held at the health department's Danville facility Saturday, October 13, from 8a.m. - noon.

Additional clinics may be scheduled later in October, based on need. "We will offer flu shots as long as we have vaccine," Laker said.

Cost of adult flu immunizations this year will remain at \$30. "We still do not know what the federal government will be providing for reimbursement for Medicare, but we feel we need to move ahead with our clinics, so

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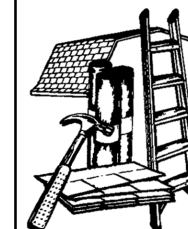
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Police News

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Hoopeston police were called at 4:50 p.m. Sunday to a verbal domestic disturbance in the police department parking lot. No arrests were made.
 A 19-year-old Hoopeston woman reported at 8:52 a.m. Sunday that someone speakers and amp and

some CDS were taken from her vehicle while she was inside Casey's General Store, 1022 W. Penn.
 Jeremy A. Irons, 19, of 110 E. Maple was arrested after a traffic stop at 1:12 a.m. Monday in the 200 block of East Honeywell. Irons was charged with

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beaty to celebrate 50th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Bob) Beaty will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 2, 2007.
 Bob Beaty and Virgie Garrett were married at the courthouse in Watseka on Oct. 2, 1957. They are the parents of seven children: Yvonne (Wayne Lithgow) of Rossville, Carl (Shari) of Milton, FL, Ginny Sensing of Murfreesboro, TN, Pam Pajor of Dothan, AL, Brian of Boswell, IN, Carla Faye (deceased) and Robert (deceased). They have nine grandchildren: Samantha, Robbie, Kenny, Jessica, Shannon, Bryce, Brenna, Hennessy, and Arus.
 The couple began their married life in Germany, and traveled throughout the United States for the next 20 years. Robert retired as First Sergeant from the United States Army in January 1977 and the couple moved to Hoopeston. Robert worked at Beaty's Auto Service and later owned and operated Beaty's Auto Service Center

of Hoopeston. Virgie worked at Howard Industries of Milford and Schumacher of Hoopeston. The couple moved to La Vergne, Tenn., in 2000. Both are active with hobbies in gardening, quilting and woodworking.
 Cards and well wishes may be sent to their home at 151 Blue Valley Rd, La Vergne, TN 37086.



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Beaty, 1957

Flu continued from other side

we will hold the line on the cost," Laker said. Medicare cards should be provided at the time of immunization.
 The health department has reached agreement with Health Alliance to provide flu shots for their senior clients; those eligible include only those seniors with Health Alliance HMO 20 and Health Alliance PPO 10.
 Pregnant women should contact their health care providers about flu shots. The health department will be offering flu vaccine for children, but those flu shots will only be available by appointment. Call the health department for information.
 Most people who get the flu recover completely in one to two weeks, but public health officials said some people develop serious and potentially life-threatening medical complications, such as pneumonia.
 Over the past decade, influenza and pneumonia have

been associated with an average of 3,500 deaths a year in Illinois, according to the state health department. Nationally, the CDC says about 200,000 people in the United States are hospitalized each year because of flu complications, and 36,000 people die every year from flu.
 The flu shot schedule is posted on the health department's website at www.vchd.org, or call the health department at 431-2662 for more information.

Weather



Mostly cloudy today and tonight. High 74, low 55. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 75, low 53
 For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (217) 283-6221.

driving while license revoked and was released on \$100 cash bond. His car was towed from the scene.
 A 57-year-old man reported Monday that a window on his truck had been broken and pills removed from the truck. Some tools were also taken.
 No tickets r injuries wee reported in an accident at 12 McFerren Park Rd. Police said Patrick Clingenpeel of Hoopeston, in a 2007 Kia Sportage, backed into an unoccupied 2006 Dodge Caravan owned by Kellie Frederick, also of Hoopeston.
 Courtney A. Hopkins, 25, of 517 W. Washington was arrested at 5:26 p.m. Monday at her home. She was given a notice to appear on battery.
 A 42-year-old man reported Tuesday morning that someone took a tool box, tools and vehicle battery from his garage in the 500 block of North Sixth St.

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