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## Rutherford exploratory committee for state treasurer run

State Senator Dan Rutherford (R-Pontiac) announced an exploratory committee for the office of Illinois State Treasurer. The current State Treasurer, Alexi Giannoulias, has also established an exploratory committee, but for the U.S. Senate.

Rutherford is the ranking Republican on the Senate Financial Institutions Committee. He has held this position since entering the Senate in 2003, following a ten year stint in the Illinois House. He is also a private sector business executive with the ServiceMaster Company.

"My real world business experience is, in part, why I am being encouraged by Republicans, Democrats and

Independents to become the State Treasurer of Illinois," said the Senator.

Governor Mitt Romney recently campaigned in Illinois on behalf of Rutherford, headlining a successful and energetic fundraiser in Chicago.

Serving as Co-Chairpersons of Rutherford's exploratory committee are Senate Republican Leader Christine Radogno (Lemont), Senate Deputy Republican Leader Dale Righter (Charleston), Assistant House Republican Leader JoAnn Osmond (Antioch) and State Representative Rich Brauer (Petersburg).

"Dan is a private sector businessman with government experience. That is what we really need now as the financial officer of our state," emphasized Representative Osmond.

Senator Christine Radogno added, "Dan Rutherford's ethical standing is beyond reproach. We need that more than ever in Illinois government."

Representative Rich Brauer noted, "Senator Rutherford is from a small town, has worked in Chicago and knows Illinois like the back of his hand. I see him being a Constitutional Officer for all of Illinois."

See RUTHERFORD on other side

A memorial patio is planned for Christman Park in Rossville. Red bricks with engraved names will honor friends and loved ones. Each brick may be purchased for \$35 each. Donors will be identified on the outside wall of the Park pavilion. For more information, contact Tom Mills, 403 S. Chicago, Rossville, 60963, phone (217) 748-6040.

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a special Summer Preschool promotion.

## Police News



A 27-year-old Hoopeston man reported Tuesday that someone broke into a locked shed and took a dirt bike-type motorcycle. The burglary occurred in the 900 block of West Washington.

Kenneth W. Murray II, 28, of Hoopeston, was ticketed for restraint of dog by owner or keeper on a complaint from a 21-year-old Hoopeston woman who alleged Murray's dog attacked her dog.

Murray was given a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

## Fire Calls



Hoopeston Fire Department responded to several calls regarding possible carbon monoxide. Monday, firemen were called to the 500 block of East Thompson and on Tuesday were called to Parkview Court. No carbon monoxide was detected at any of the calls.

The department was called at 11:17 a.m. Monday to the 600 block of East Main for a stove fire. No injuries were reported.

## Todd Lee to speak at kickoff lunch

Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce will debut its first Quarterly Luncheon this month.

This event scheduled, Tuesday April 28 at the American Legion, is open to all Chamber of Commerce members and will feature a keynote speaker as well as provide an opportunity to network with other business members. Tickets are \$7 and include lunch. RSVP by April 20 to Tami at 283-7873.

Topics of luncheons may include new business incentives & funding opportunities, professional development opportunities, market trends and analyses, as well as many other business related topics.

The first keynote speaker will be Todd Lee, Director of Business Development & Government Relations for Vermilion Advantage.

Please help us make this event a success!

## Obituaries

**WOOD** - Mike Wood, 55, of Georgetown, formerly of Hoopeston, died at 9 a.m. Monday, April 13 at home. Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston, with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion and VFW Color Guard. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. Thursday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to the family of Emmett R. Wood, c/o Darren Wood, 2405 North Highway 7, North Vernon, IN 47265 or a charity of the donor's choice.

## Rutherford continued from other side

"The Illinois economy is struggling through tough times and it would be a huge benefit for our State Treasurer to have real life business experience. Dan Rutherford fits that bill," said Senator Dale Righter.

The Rutherford YouTube video announcing the exploratory committee is at: <http://www.youtube.com:80/watch?v=BYoJvJNHqY>.

## Weather



Sunny today. High 66. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 40. Tomorrow, sunny. High 69, low 47.

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