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## HA plans for - but doesn't plan on - 8.9% increase in tax levy

Hoopeston Area School Board approved the 2009 estimated tax levy of \$3,202,000 but officials aren't planning on receiving that much.

The amount is 8.9 percent over last year's amount of \$2,940,513, Superintendent Hank Hornbeck said at Thursday's school board meeting.

Hornbeck said the district always approves a higher level than officials expect because if they approve a lower amount and actually could receive more, the district is held to the lower amount because that levy amount was approved.

Over the last five years, Hoopeston Area has averaged a 1.2 yearly increase. With the state of the economy, "if we get one percent, we'll be really happy," he said.

Hornbeck also released six-day enrollment figures. At 1,374, enrollment dropped by eight from last year. The loss includes two from Hoopeston Area and six less from Rossville-Alvin.

This year, Hoopeston Area has 44 Rossville-Alvin high school students.

The number also includes 22 migrant students.

See HA on other side

## Girl's death benefits five through organ donation program

Todd and Ashley Kinney are grieving the death of their daughter, Kyla, but in that grief, they brought happiness to other families.

Two-year-old Kyla Nikole Kinney died Tuesday at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana, of suspected bacterial meningitis.

Asked to allow their child to be an organ donor, her parents agreed and Kyla was put on life support.

At least five organ recipients benefited from their sacrifice.

Kyla became ill Monday and was taken to Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. She was then transferred to Carle to begin treatment.

Family members, as well as those around Kyla at daycare were also treated.

The Vermilion County Health Department is investigating the incident, said Linda Bolton, health department Community Relations/Health Education Program Coordinator.



**KYLA KINNEY**

dinator.

No other cases of meningitis have been reported.

Kyla is survived by her parents, of Hoopeston, as well as a brother, Bradlee Michael Kinney, Hoopeston; grandparents Kelly DeLine, Allen and Lisa Kinney and Kelly and David Wallace; great-grandparents Butch and Sharon Moore, Mary Kinney, Frank and Ann Stumph, Clara Brady and Kathy and Fuzz Fraizer; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral service for Kyla will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Visitation was 4-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

A memorial fund has been established at Iroquois Federal Savings & Loan, 511 S. Dixie Hwy., Hoopeston, IL 60942, in her memory.

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# Obituaries

**GOODRICH** - Alan G. Goodrich, 63, of Hoopeston, died at noon Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Visitation was 4-7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Wellington Methodist Church or Alan Goodrich Scholarship fund being set up at Hoopeston Area High School.

**SHAW** - Robert W. "Bob" Shaw, 90, of Rankin, died September 16, 2009 at Heartland Health Care Center, Paxton. Funeral service was at 1 p.m. Saturday at Knapp Funeral Home, Rankin, with visitation two hours prior to the service. Burial was in Rankin Union Cemetery with military rites by Cissna Park American Legion post.

**WILLIAMSON** - Ina L. (Prickett) Williamson, 87, of Cheneyville, died at 7:15 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009

at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to Prairie Green Church

of Christ or Cheneyville Christian Church. Brown-Alkire Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



## Lunch Menus



### Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken strips, corn, applesauce, cookie

TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza, salad, pears, Teddy Grams

WEDNESDAY: Ham & cheese sandwich, chips, mixed fruit, grape juice

THURSDAY: BBQ rib/bun, fries, pineapple

FRIDAY: Mini corndogs, baked beans, mixed fruit

### Hoopeston Area Middle/High Schools

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets or ham & cheese, corn, applesauce, cookie

TUESDAY: Chicken salad wrap or BBQ rib, salad,

peaches

WEDNESDAY: Chili cheese dog or sub sandwich, nacho chips, pears, juice

THURSDAY: Pork roast or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, corn, pears, hot roll

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## Seeking Health Center Board Nominations

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Center and its success in meeting the mission and vision of the organization. Listed below are general outlines of the personal and professional qualifications for being a Board Member.

### Personal Qualifications

Certain basic qualifications must be possessed by all Directors for the Board to function effectively. Those qualifications are:

- Honesty, Integrity, having a sense of justice, and of sound moral character.
- Availability to participate in Board and Community Activities
- Objective and deliberative approach to problems
- Experience translatable to Health Center Operations
- Understanding the role of the Board of Directors as related to the overall organization
- Acceptance of the Board policy relative to conflict of interest
- Willingness to accept responsibility of governance
- Commitment to community health
- Ability to conceptualize
- Respect for confidentiality
- Experience in group decision-making

### Professional Qualifications

Since the Board of Directors is a composite of persons who have various professional backgrounds, nominees should have one or more of the competencies below:

- Health care competency
- Financial competency
- Education competency
- Knowledge of the civic community
- Managerial competency
- Legal competency
- Engineering competency
- Knowledge of legislative activity

If you are interested in nominating someone or you have a personal interest in serving on the Board of Directors, please submit your nominations in writing to:

**Hoopeston Regional Health Center, Attn. Board of Directors Nominating Committee  
701 E. Orange St., Hoopeston, IL 60942**

If you have questions regarding the nominating process, please call  
**Harry Brockus, Chief Executive Officer at (217) 283-8240.**

***Nominations must be received by September 30th, 2009 by 4 p.m.***

## HA continued from other side

In other business, the board:

- Is reconsidering its policy regarding home schooled youngsters taking part in extracurricular activities. The existing policy forbids home schooled students from participating and that ban may have to remain in place, based on Illinois High School Association regulations, Hornbeck said.
- Heard from Hornbeck that under new regulations, administrators' salaries and other compensation, must be posted on the district website. Administrators and their salaries include: Hornbeck, 103,000; Larry Maynard, high school principal, \$78,100; Anne Burton, middle school principal, \$60,000; Dan Walder, John Greer principal, \$60,000; Linda Sheppard, Honeywell principal, \$70,100; and Lori Eells, Maple principal, \$67,200.
- The collective bargaining agreement must also be put on the website, Hornbeck said.

## Weather



Chance of thunderstorms today. High 80. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 58. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 80, low 60.

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

## Classifieds

### HELP WANTED

Mustard Seed Christian Daycare is taking applications for qualified teachers. Applicants are required to have at least two years of college or have equivalent experience and credentials. They also must be at least 19 years of age. Please bring resume and unofficial transcripts to the Rossville High School building. For more information please call Ashley Dobkins at 217-748-6370.

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