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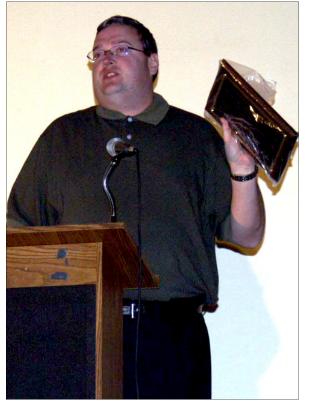
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2009 Miss Hoopeston Callie Huffman, left, puts the sash on Abby Newman, 2010 Miss Hoopeston, at Monday's Community Awards ceremony while, right, Harry Brockus, CEO of Hoopeston Regional Health Center, thanks the Hoopeston Jaycees for the Special Organization Award.

Hoopeston Regional Health Center takes honors at ceremony

Experts recommend walking 10,000 steps a day for optimal health.

Harry Brockus, CEO of Hoopeston Regional Health Center, got a good start on that total at Monday night's Hoopeston Community Awards ceremony.

Brockus, representing HRCH, accepted the Presi-

dent's Award from the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce and Special Organization of Recognition from the Hoopeston Jayceees, as well as The Chronicle's Citizen of the Year award, walking each time from his seat in the Lorraine Theatre to the stage.

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Winners at the Hoopeston Community Awards ceremony Monday night included, front, Lori Pajor; middle row, Abby Newman, 2010 Miss Hoopeston, Brett Rush, Jim Pajor, Randy Carter, Sue Burton; and back row, Kathleen Margevich, Greg Bertram, Rodney Glass, Shawn Sullivan, Harry Brockus, Shawn Swartzentruber and Tim Beckett. Not pictured is Ryan Standifer and AJ Garrison.

Honors continued from other side

Prior to the start of the awards presentation, Brockus made his first trip to the stage to outline previously announced building/renovation plans for the hospital and nursing home.

Callie Huffman, retiring 2009 Miss Hoopeston, thanked the Hoopeston Jaycees for their support during her reign and announced she will compete in the Miss Illinois Pageant in June. Huffman then crowned her successor, 19-year-old Abby Newman, daughter of Mark and Julie Newman of Rankin.

Newman attends Illinois State University in Bloomington/Normal, majoring in marketing. She will represent Hoopeston at various events this year and is the official hostess to National Sweetheart candidates.

Other winners for the evening were: **EMT of the Year**: Ryan Standifer

Policeman of the Year: Tim Beckett

Fireman of the Year: the entire Hoopeston Fire

Department

Chronicle Hall of Fame: Kathleen Margevich Hoopeston Education Association Educator of

the Year: Shawn Swartzentruber

Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year: Olympic Hardware

Jaycees Associate of the Year: Randy Carter

Jaycee of the Year: Brett Rush

Rookie of the Year: AJ Garrison and Rodney Glass

Glass

Distinguished Service Award: Sue Burton

Obituaries

REGAN - William J. Regan, 86, of Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., formerly of Hoopeston, died Thursday, Jan. 21, 2010. Visitation will be held from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday at El Camino Memorial in Encinitas, Calif. Funeral Mass will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Church of the Nativity, Rancho Santa Fe. Memorials are suggested to San Diego Hospice, 4311 Third Ave., San Diego, CA 92103-1407 (www.sdhospice.org).Condolences may be left at www.encinitaschapel.com/

Weather



Chance of snow today and tonight. High 29, low 15. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 20, low 6.

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

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