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 Bring your children and an email address  
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**Do your Christmas baking in 1 stop**  
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**7-10 a.m. during the breakfast**  
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Hoopeston Mayor Bill Crusinberry and Jim McMahon, Vermilion County Board chairman, cut a ribbon Tuesday, officially opening Prairie Meadows housing development. Also pictured are Danielle Fravel, property manager at Crosspoint Human Services, Doug Ahrens, East Central Illinois Community Action Agency (ECICAA) board chairman, and Dwight Lucas, ECICAA CEO.

## Prairie Meadows officially opened, move-ins start next week

Kristin Compton is excited about her new home.

The Hoopeston woman is one of 25 people who will move into homes at Prairie Meadows housing development on Route 9.

Compton was one of several speakers at Tuesday's ribbon cutting and open house to celebrate the completion of Prairie Meadows, a \$5.1 million Affordable Workforce Housing development.

The mother of four will be moving into a green two

story home trimmed with burgundy. Move-ins will begin December 6, said Dwight Lucas, CEO of East Central Illinois Community Action Agency, project owner.

Dignitaries spoke of how the project will benefit the community. Doug Ahrens, ECICAA board chairman, said the development will a place to live for "folks who  
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**Buying Gold This Thursday**  
**10am-5pm in Global Fashions**  
 Out w/ the old jewelry & in w/ new shopping \$\$\$\$ just  
 in time for Christmas.  
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**Wednesday:** Spaghetti & Rib Eye Sandwiches  
**Thursday:** Swiss Steak  
**Friday:** Cod & Ribeyes  
**Saturday:** Prime Rib & Ribeyes  
**Sunday:** Grilled Chicken Breast 11-1:30  
**Open Bowling**  
 Tuesday all day, Friday Sunday 11-4  
**Back by Popular Demand**  
**Back Paiges**  
**Saturday 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.**  
 Coming next Saturday  
 Texas Country Award Winner  
**Tony Booth** along with **Smoke River**  
**Tickets still on sale for \$15**



# Children of veterans may apply for U of I tuition waiver

PONTIAC:—State Senator Dan Rutherford (R-Pontiac) reminds students who are the children of veterans to apply for the University of Illinois' Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver.

This tuition waiver provides a free four-year tuition waiver to any natural or adopted child of a veteran, who served during one of the specific conflicts. Up to six waivers per Illinois county are awarded each year, one for each of the following conflicts: World War II, Korean Conflict, Vietnam Conflict, Southeast Asia Conflict, Operation

Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Eligibility is limited to permanent residents from any of Illinois' 102 counties. Awards are limited to one per county and per conflict. The tuition waiver is good for any University of Illinois system school or degree program.

Students need to apply before March 1, 2011. For further information, go to Rutherford's Web site: [www.DanRutherford.com](http://www.DanRutherford.com) or call the University of Illinois, Office of Student Financial Aid at 1-217-333-0100.

# Meadows continued from other side

are going to provide bright lights to the community," while Jim McMahon, Vermilion County Board chairman, said Prairie Meadows will allow residents to attain the American dream by owning their own home. Hoopeston Mayor Bill Crusinberry said the project will allow tenants to raise their standard of living.

Prairie Meadows features 25 single family homes, a mixture of two- and three-bedroom structures. Tenants will have first right to purchase their homes after 20 years. Handicapped accessible homes are available on the site, which features a one-acre park with playground. Green construction was used on the project, which features energy efficient windows and insulation, as well as Energy Star appliances.

Funding for the project came from the Illinois Housing Development Authority, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and City of Hoopeston and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, making Prairie Meadows among the first one of the first housing projects in the state completed with stimulus funds.

The idea for the project began about four years ago. Locally, Jean Minick, former VISTA volunteer, was key in getting the project going.

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## Police News



Vivian E. Crose, 46, of Hoopeston, was ticketed for improper backing after an accident at 2:24 p.m. Monday at Fourth Street and Lincoln.

Police said Crose, in a 1992 GMC truck, backed into a parked 2004 Pontiac Grand Am owned by Jacob Kruse, also of Hoopeston.

Jesus Gomez, 67, of Hoopeston, was ticketed for improper backing after an accident at 3 p.m. Monday in the 500 block of East Seminary.

Police said Gomez, in a 2001 Mercury van, backed into a 2007 Ford utility vehicle driven by Virginia Yaden, also of Hoopeston.



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## Weather



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

## Classifieds

### CHILD CARE

Mustard Seed Christian Daycare in Rossville has Immediate Openings Available in our Infant (6 - 15 months) and School Age (6 - 12 yrs) Classrooms. The school age classroom is before/after school and all day when there is no school. School age students get homework assistance, a healthy snack, and age appropriate activities. Call today for more information 217-748-6370 or check out our website at [www.mustardseedchristiandaycare.org](http://www.mustardseedchristiandaycare.org)

### HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Area Community Unit School District #11 is seeking applications for a full-time personal aide for a high school student. Start date is December 1, 2010. Please apply online at [www.hoopeston.k12.il.us](http://www.hoopeston.k12.il.us), click on Vacancies/Application and follow instructions.

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