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Concealed carry applications get once over by local police

People who have applied for concealed carry permits in Illinois can expect those applications to be reviewed by local police.

According to the law, approved last July, Illinois State Police, in charge of issuing concealed carry permits, has 90 days from receipt of the application to grant permission or not. Thirty of those days may be used up by local police departments, which may object to an application.

According to an interactive map for applications, 274 applications have been submitted by Vermilion County residents. Of those, three received objections from Hoopeston Police Department.

The website lists objections by local municipal police and sheriff's departments in each county. Vermilion County Sheriff's Department has issued no objections.

Three objections don't seem like many; however in Chicago, only seven objections were filed on 7,974 applications.

Hoopeston Police Chief Mark Drollinger said the numbers indicate that local police have more personal dealings with its citizens than police in places like Chicago. "I think the City of Chicago has such a low number because they don't have personal contact and know the applicants like we do," he said.

Objections are based on past contacts with police, whether through arrest or other interactions and are not necessarily the kiss of death to a concealed carry permit. "It isn't an automatic disqualifier. It is a flag to the Illinois State Police, who monitors the program and has the ultimate choice to take a closer look at the applicant," Drollinger said.

The concealed carry law gets a thumbs up from Drollinger. "I am very much in favor of concealed carry," he said. "I've always felt that and armed AND trained community is safer and statistics prove it. In almost all 49

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Four students treated after bus/bovine accident Tuesday

Four Hoopeston Area students were taken to Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center as a precautionary measure after the school bus they were riding hit a cow.

The accident occurred Tuesday morning near the cattle pens as the bus was bringing students to school. All students on the bus were checked out at the scene by Hoopeston EMTs.

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Police News



No **tickets** or injuries were reported in an accident at 4:38 p.m. Monday at Penn and Sixth Ave. Police said Robin Robinson, in a 1994 GMC truck, struck the rear end of a 2013 Chevrolet Equinox, driven by Tanya McVicker, also of Hoopeston, which was stopped at the intersection.

Mathew M. Minaod, 17, of Hoopeston, was ticketed after an accident at 3:05 p.m. Monday at Third St. and Lincoln. Police said Minaod, in a 2000 Dodge

Ram, hit the driver's side of a 2003 Ford van driven by Sara Furrow, also of Hoopeston, while it was parked on the side of the road.

Minaod was ticketed for no valid driver's license and operating an uninsured vehicle.

Sawyer J. Neal, 20, of Hoopeston, was charged with burglary on a complaint from 47-year-old Hoopeston man who alleged Neal stole cash from his residence. The incident occurred at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the 300 block of East Maple.

Neal was taken to the Public Safety Building in

Danville to await arraignment.

Christopher S. Gray, 23, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 5:02 p.m. Monday in the 500 block of West Main. While at that address to ask about stolen property, officer smelled the odor of cannabis and charged Gray with possession of cannabis.

He was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Donald R. Foley, 52, of Hoopeston, was charged with criminal trespass to property at 3:10 p.m. Monday after a 54-year-old Hoopeston woman asked

lie Hardcastle, 701; and Debra Morgan, 683.

Men's single winners were Bob Bruens, 790; Bob Hamilton, 784; Brandon Hamilton, 775; Hank Longfellow, 768; and George Fix, 747.

All-event winners were Patty Lowe, 2,070; Deb Morgan, 1,956; Sue Troglia, 1,945 and Karen Porth, 1,945.

Men's scratch winners were Bob Bruens, 2,057; Brandon Hamilton, 1,992; and Tony Gress, 1,885.

Bearcats pass HA ladies by 1

Despite poor shooting in three quarters, Hoopeston Area ladies were able to pour it on in the fourth, getting within one point of Milford in basketball action Thursday.

HA was down by about 10 in the fourth when, with about a minute left, Tori Smock hit a three and Haley Dixon hit three consecutive threes to pull within one when the clock ran out, said Coach Clinton Mathewson.

Dixon led HA scorers with a total of four three-pointers. Smock followed with eight and led in rebounds with six, while Carissa Vaughn contributed four.

Karena Colunga and Dixon each had three assists, while Smock had two. Vaughn and RyLee Waymouth each had one block and Aly Zarate, Vaughn and Smock each had a steal.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 26. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 11. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 34, low 21.

2014 Hoopeston City Bowling Tournament announced

Hoopeston Bowling Association conducted its City tournament the week of January 27 at Fast Lanes.

Winners of the team events were ladies, Giddy Up Girls, including Sharron Potter, Deb Winters, Patty Lowe and Linda Van Burke. Second place was Tooth Fairies, with members Tina Linder, Kathy Cox, Susan Coble and Linda Van Burke.

Men's team champions were Cade Heating and Air, with Dustin Fields, Shane Cade, Ricky Cade and John Lowe. Fast Lanes was second with Barry Hall, Todd Rush, Michael Thompson and Marvin Dobkins.

Ladies doubles winners were Jodi Bullock and Jennifer Crawley, 1,356; second, Patty Lowe & Linda Van Burke, 1,335; third, Sue Troglia and Susan Goble, 1,307; fourth Leslie Hardcastle and Alexis Berlin, 1,259.

Men's doubles winners were Hank Longfellow and Bob Bruens, 1,523; second, Barry Hall and Marvin Dobkins, 1,433.

Women's singles winners were Patty Lowe, 712; Les-

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states that passed concealed carry prior to Illinois crimes against persons drop."

In neighboring counties, 110 applications were filed in Iroquois County, 60 in Ford County and 502 in Champagne County. None of those counties recorded objections to the applications.

The interactive map may be found at <http://voices.suntimes.com/import/chicago/graphic-concealed-carry-applications/>.

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