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**Briefly**

**Postal carrier food drive**  
 Hoopeston members will participate in the annual National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday. Postal patrons are asked to leave nonperishable food items in bags by their mailboxes Saturday and they will be picked up by letter carriers. Food will be donated to Grant Township food Cupboard.


**Swim team signup**  
 The Hoopeston Stingrays Swim Team will hold their final signups on Saturday, May 10th from 9am-11am at Hoopeston City Hall. Swimmers ages 6-18 are invited to join.

Parents interested in helping govern, coach, or assist the swim team are also invited to volunteer.

**Museum trip for seniors**  
 Hoopeston Multi Agency is sponsoring a trip to Vermilion County Museum and Vermilion County War Museum on Thursday, May 15. Shuttle will leave at 9 a.m. from the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave.

Cost is \$8 per person for transportation and admission into both museums. The cost of lunch at your choice of De Coral or La Potosina is not included.

Reserve your seat by calling (217) 283-5544.

**Police News** 

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 6:07 p.m. Wednesday at Community Bank facility at 901 S. Dixie Hwy. Police said Sandra Hughes, of Hoopeston, in a 1999 Hyundai, exited her vehicle to use the ATM, forgetting to put her car in park. The vehicle ran into some trees on the property.  
 Emergency medical personnel were also called to the scene.

**Bowl 4 A Cure**  
 Join Family Focused on the Fight with a 7-8-9 Pin No Tap at Fast Lanes at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 17. Entry fee is \$20 with 50 percent payout to top three men and top three women. The event will also feature 50/50, strike pots, drawings and more.  
 Sign up at Fast Lanes or call Justin, (217) 714,6779 or Kellie, (217) 714-6780.

**Honoring Vietnam veterans**  
 Illinois State Daughters of the American Revolution and Hoopeston's Barbara Standish Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution are gathering names of Vietnam veterans for an Honor Roster of Vietnam Veterans in Illinois.

If you are a Vietnam veteran or a family member of a Vietnam veteran and would to honor them, please send full name, rank, branch served in, years served, and place of birth to Carol Hicks, hickschicks@aol.com or Nancy Thorn, nthorn02@frontier.com with Vietnam Veteran in the subject line.

**Hydrant flushing**  
 Hoopeston Water Department will be flushing hydrants throughout the city on Fridays, weather permitting.

**Obituaries**

**MIKELS** - Darla Glenedith (Pepple) Mikels, 70, of Rossville, died at 1:32 p.m. Thursday, April 24, 2014, near the Republic of Panama, while vacationing with her husband. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Sunday at Anderson Funeral Home. Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Rossville Church of Christ. Burial will be in Rossville Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the church, 514 E. Attica St., Rossville IL 60963.

**Concealed Carry Classes:**  
 May 10 & 11 9am-5pm  
 May 24 & 25 9am-5pm  
**Personal Defense/Intense Shooter Course:**  
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**Food Service License Renewal at DACC - Hoopeston**  
Carolyn Daniel will hold a

**Food Service License Renewal class**  
for certificates that will expire June 30, 2015.

**Class will be offered Wednesday, May 14th and**  
**May 21st at 6:00p - 8:30p.**

**Class fee is \$40 and Code Book is \$6.50.**

**Students must attend both nights!**

**To register or for more information, call 217-283-4170**

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### Why do we get excited about shootings?

Is it because of television coverage? Do you think we should be more concerned about finding out the reason these shootings happen in the first place? For instance, why do kids shoot people in schools and other places? In almost all cases, doesn't it turn out to be because they are mentally disturbed? Then there are cases where service people go on a shooting rampage. Why? Doesn't it also turn out to be because they are mentally disturbed?

Do you see a pattern here?

A couple years ago, there was an article in this forum that referenced a study showing 25% of kindergarteners were not socially prepared to be in kindergarten. There were many reasons these kids were not mentally prepared, including parental problems (single parent, drug, alcohol, child, and spouse abuse), as well as psychological disorders - some that might need medication and most all needing a diagnosis by a qualified psychiatrist.

The latter is practically impossible, because the number of kids who need to be examined by a qualified physician has increased so much in the past 10-15 years, and because of the shortage of qualified physicians who can make a proper diagnosis. Ask any parent of a child needing an assessment how long it takes on a waiting list to get an appointment with one of these doctors.

That puts an enormous strain on general practitioners, who, frankly, are not qualified to make these assessments nor dispense psychiatric medication.

If your child had a heart condition, wouldn't your doctor refer that child to a cardiologist, and if your child had problems with the digestive system wouldn't your doctor refer that child to a gastroenterologist? Mental disorders are much more complicated. Sometimes blood work and X-rays won't tell a doctor why there is a mental disease or disorder.

The *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual* of Mental Disorders (DSM), is used to diagnose these disorders. General practitioners are not qualified to interpret this manual as well as a psychiatrist is. In some cases more harm than good may result.

If you doubt what I say, ask the senator from Virginia about how well the system helped his son when he tried to get him into a mental health bed? His insurance company would not pay for any more emergency room care,

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nor the high cost of a psychiatric mental health bed. Emergency rooms are limited to the amount of time they can give a patient requiring crisis intervention. They are not designed for such care. At home, the son attacked his dad with a knife, then killed himself. If that can happen to a senator of the United States, it can happen to any of us.

Or ask the mother in Missouri who had to turn her son over to the police to keep him from killing someone.

These are only two cases of the thousands of kids who are in our schools today, many who have been bullied, or verbally or physically abused, and could be our next disturbed shooters.

As for the shootings involving service people, it is no secret that many service people come back from the war suffering Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). They survived the war without getting killed or losing an arm or leg, but most have deep scars on their brains. I often wonder how those of us that these young people are protecting would behave if we had to face the fears and atrocities that they went through. Every day many of them commit suicide. Does that surprise you? It does not surprise me.

Parents raise their children for 18-20 years and teach them right and wrong, to respect people, and respect life. In the first six months of service life, these kids are reprogrammed to become killers. You can't send sheep to war against wolves. They would be decimated. So they are trained to be killers for their safety and the protection of their comrades.

This is the problem I have with our returning service people. The government reprograms these young people to be killers, but when they discharge these same kids, the government doesn't even try to reprogram them back to somewhere near what they were like before the government got ahold of them. The government and the VA seem perfectly satisfied just turning them loose, and

### Weather

Thunderstorms likely today. High 76. Tonight, chance of storms. Low 55. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, chance of storms late. High 77, low 59. Sunday, chance of storms. High 78, low 62.

at best, doping them up with drugs. Many of them are unemployed and homeless, ending up living on the streets, using drugs, committing crimes and ending up in prison. That, my friends, is how they are treated by our ungrateful government.

Now how about prisons? Three or four years ago, there was an article in this newspaper about America's prison system. This nation, having only a fraction of the population in the world, has more prisoners than many other nations put together. Much of our state and federal budgets have to devote a lot of money to keep these prisons going. Prisons are our government's plan for border control, mental health, and our service peoples' retirement homes.

When I think of these failed programs it brings to mind a couple things. First it reminds me of that old TV commercial for an oil filter? You can pay me for a filter now, or I can rebuild your engine later.

It also brings to mind words from this state's favorite son and his definition of what a government worker should be.

A government of the people, by the people, and for the people.

Next time you vote, see if there is anyone on the ballot that fits that description.

Tom Evans  
Hoopeston

## Classifieds

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