

FIREWORKS

- July 3 at dusk at the Youth Soccer Fields, Hoopeston
- Biggest display within 100 miles
- Free admission



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Freshman representative decided not to seek re-election

WATSEKA—State Rep. Josh Harms (R, Watseka) intends to file paperwork this week to remove himself from the November ballot, citing a desire to return to teaching and be closer to his family.

In a written statement released Sunday night, Harms said:

"It has been an honor to serve in the Illinois General Assembly, but at this time it is my intention to return to the teaching for the upcoming school year, a move that will allow me to stay closer to my family.

"During my short time in Springfield, I have made

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Nachos, Southwest Salad,

Homemade Chips & Salsa.

quite a few friends on both sides of the aisle. And while I had an abundance of frustration at the direction Illinois is headed, there were also many opportunities to affect positive change.

"As a whole, being a legislator was a tremendous experience, one that I appreciate greatly. However, at this time, I must return to my given profession. I'll be filing paperwork later this week removing myself from consideration this fall, and plan



HARMS

on fulfilling my legislative obligations through the end of

"In addition, I have already notified those making the decision on my replacement. It is my understanding that the process has already started, and I'm confident our area will be well represented moving forward.

See HARMS on other side





The PIT STOP at EAST LAMES

Chicken or Beef & Noodles Tuesday:

Wednesday: Ribeye Sandwich with Fries

or Fried Potatoes

Thursday: Swiss Steak

Friday: Open at 4:30 with Cod or

Rib eye Steaks

Saturday: Prime Rib or Rib eyes

FIREWORKS SPECIAL

Come in Thursday evening for a

Cod Sandwich or Dinner, then stay to watch the Fireworks

from our Patio

Still time to sign up youngsters for 'Paws to Read' summer reading program at HPL

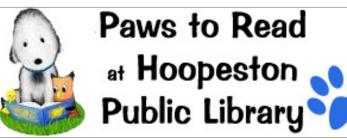
It's not too late for local families to get involved in "Paws to Read," Hoopeston Public Library's 2014 Summer Reading

The fun kicks off Monday, July 7, with a special program, "Dr. Dolittle's World of Paws," by ventriloquist and storyteller Chris McBrien. Shows are scheduled at 10 a.m. for ages 3 to second grade and 1 p.m. for grades 3-6.

The program is free but because of space limitations, tickets are required and may be picked up by parents in the library Children's Room.

Activities are planned for children ages 3 through 6th grade (just completed) and run from July 8-28. Special guests will include local dog trainer Carolyn Daniel; Sherry Klemme, Hoopeston animal control officer and Dep. Pittman of the Vermilion County Sheriff's Department K-9 Unit.

The Museum of the Grand Prairie from Mahomet will present a program on "Settler Pets." Programs will also



be presented by local educators Emily Brown, Sherry Johnson, Denise Ried, Miss April of Memory Lane Preschool and Mr. Sweeney and his friend, Dewey the Bookworm.

block of West Lincoln.

appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. will be "Bark for Books," a story and activity time with Terri Hambleton, and the "Furry Film Festival, a family movie, at 2 p.m.

All activities are free but pre-registration is required. Parents may stop in the Children's Room to sign up their children and pick up a full schedule of all activities.

Hoopeston Public Library is located at 110 N. Fourth St. and is open 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9:30-6 p.m. Friday, and 9:30-3 Saturdays.

The girl was released to a guardian on a notice to





Beth Ann Johnson, 34, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 8:30 a.m. Sunday in the 400 block of South Market. Wanted on a traffic warrant with an original charge of driving while license suspended, she was released on \$575 bond with a new court date.

A 45-year-old Hoopeston woman reported at 4:31 p.m. Sunday that someone damaged a screen by throwing an egg at it. The damage occurred in the 600 block of East Seminary.

A 16-year-old girl was arrested on a complaint from an 18-year-old Rantoul man who alleged the girl battered him at 6:43 p.m. Sunday in the 400

Police News



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RUMMAGE SALES

HOOPESTON: 1031 W. Honeywell. Sat., July 5, 8-2:30 and Sat., July 19, 8-2:30. Rain date for July 5 is Sat., July 12, Kitchen essentials, linens, glassware, old tools, cameras, books, lots of assorted furniture, Baldwin console piano (excellent), ladies clothing, shoes, accessories, new & used Longaberger baskets.

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Harms continued from other side

"I'd like to again thank everyone for their faith while representing them in Springfield, and to let them know I will continue to serve them to the best of my ability until the next representative is sworn in."

A longtime educator, Harms holds a bachelor's degree in education from Illinois State University as well as a master's degree from Governor's State. Harms initially won office in a four way primary to represent the newly drawn 106th District in 2012. The 106th District includes all of Iroquois and Ford counties along with portions of Livingston, Vermilion, and Woodford counties.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 85. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 63. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High 77, low 60.