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Terra Scharlach, 2014 Miss Hoopeston, crowns Aly Nicholls as Miss Hoopeston 2015. Nicholls was chosen Saturday from a field of four girls. Also pictured are, from left, Leah Schmid, Jacqueline Smith and first-runner up Taylor Sullivan.

Judging panel names Aly Nicholls as Miss Hoopeston 2015

Aly Nicholls led a field of four contestants to be named 2015 Miss Hoopeston on Saturday.

Nicholls, 20, along with fellow hopefuls Leah Schmid, Jacqueline Smith and Taylor Sullivan, each gave personal statements at the start of the competition that was open to the public. Each spoke on someone who was important in her life.

The late Harold Simpson was someone who impacted Nicholls' life when she worked at the Dairy Queen with Simpson as her boss. "To me, he was more than a boss," she said, praising his work ethic, sense of humor and sense of community. One thing she took with her from

working for Simpson is his saying "if you've got time to lean, you've got time to clean," she said, laughing.

Following their statements, the girls appeared in evening gowns and each answered the question, "if you could improve one characteristic about Hoopeston, what would it be?"

For Nicholls, that change would be the negative attitude some have about the city. Those who look down on and complain about Hoopeston should have a more positive outlook on Hoopeston. "Hoopeston is a great place to come from," she said.

See NICHOLLS on other side

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Police News



A black Kycera bicycle was found at noon Tuesday at Cheese Park near the sidewalk area. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Police are investigating a it-and-run accident at 9:52 a.m. Wednesday in the 1200 block of Clover Lane. An unknown vehicle caused extensive damage to a street light pole unit and a New Wave Communications pedestal box. Anyone with information about the accident is asked to

contact the police department.

Robin Irvin, 34, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 10:30 p.m. Wednesday at Uptown Saloon, 306 E. Main. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear, she was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Ashley Kimble. 23, was arrested at 12:49 a.m. Thursday at Uptown Saloon, 306 E. Main. She was charged

Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken patty/bun, tater tots applesauce, Tropical Twist juice, milk

TUESDAY: Pepperoni pizza, salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk

WEDNESDAY: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, pears, celery sticks, bread, butter, milk

THURSDAY: Cheese quesadilla, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad, pineapple, milk

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, fries, cucumber slices, mixed fruit, milk

Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

MONDAY: Chicken strips or ham & cheese, salad bar, broccoli/cheese, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Country fried steak or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Spaghetti or BBQ rib , Max Stix, salad bar, pears, juice

THURSDAY: Mini corndog or cheeseburger, salad bar, baked beans, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: Pepperoni pizza or fish sandwich, salad bar, mixed fruit, milk, juice

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with battery on a complaint from a 35-year-old woman and was released on a notice to appear.

Obituaries

DOBKINS - Ellen J. (Catron) Dobkins, 77, of Hoopeston, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014, at Paxton Healthcare and Rehab. A celebration of her life was at noon Saturday at Blurton Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial was in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation was 4-7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston American Legion.

PAGE - Christopher Page, 22, of Hoopeston, died at 9:42 p.m. Friday, Jan. 2, 2015, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

ZIEBART - Pauline R. (Goodner) Ziebart, 92, of Hoopeston, died at 8:42 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015, at home. Visitation was 2-5 p.m. Sunday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Chestnut Street Church of Christ. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, Danville. Memorials are suggested to Chestnut Street Church of Christ Building Fund.

Nicholls continued from other side

Nicholls, daughter of Bill Nicholls and Linda Nicholls, attends Indiana State University, where she is studying to be a nurse practitioner in neonatal intensive care.

"Whoo," Nicholls said when her name was announced as Miss Hoopeston. "I just hope I can live up to the standard set by (2014 Miss Hoopeston) Terra Scharlach. I'm so excited to be your 2015 Miss Hoopeston."

Sullivan, 19, daughter of Shawn and Christine Sullivan, was named first-runner up.

While Scharlach gave up her crown as Miss Hoopeston, she is not finished with pageants. It was announced Saturday that she would compete in the Miss Illinois pageant.

Weather



Snow today, tonight. Accumulation of 2"-4". High 14, low 14. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy. High 18, low -2.

Octavius L. Stancle, 30, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 2:21 a.m. Thursday in the 200 block of Wyman. Wanted on a Vermilion County warrant for failure to appear, he was also charged with possession of a controlled substance.

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