

(217) 283-5186 Open Sundays



Hoopeston resident Lenard Compton attended Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting to thank the city for its help with the 10th annual East Central Illinois Model Railroading train show.

Compton said attendance was down at the show, held

State's attorney candidate forum video, podcast, available

DANVILLE-Voters can view the candidate forum between the Republican candidates running for Vermilion County State's Attorney.

Jacqueline Lacy, Vermilion County's Chief Public Defender, and Chuck Mockbee IV, Assistant State's Attorney participated in a 90 minute forum to answer questions submitted by local law enforcement agencies. The video can be streamed online at vimeo.com/156002576. A podcast is available here. Until the March 15 primary, Comcast customers may watch the debate on the public access channel at 9 a.m.,

1 p.m. and 7 p.m. daily. The forum, held February 18, was sponsored by Vermilion Advantage.



February 20-21 at McFerren Park Civic Center, but "donations were up 200 percent."

Money raised at each of the train shows is spent in ways that help local children. This year's proceeds are no different and will go towards much for around playground equipment at McFerren Park. Compton said bare spots are visible around some equipment. "If it's not fixed in a month or so, children are going to get hurt," he said. "We're not going to tolerate that." In other business, the council:

See CITY on other side

HIRING FA Thursday, March 3 9 AM-1 PM Hosted by TRILLIUM STAFFING for jobs in Henning & Hoopeston, IL The HENNING TOWN HALL **1 SOUTH MAIN STREET** HENNING. IL 61848 Excellent opportunities available on

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I have noticed that when another possum compliments me it makes me feel so good that I want to repeat over and over what I did to deserve that compliment.

Recently a possum friend offered me a delicious slug he freshly caught. It was tasty! I responded with a compliment on what a fine slug hunter he was. My response made him so happy, he is out hunting slugs every night and is sharing them with nearly every possum in the neighborhood. Possums naturally like to return favors so we are all doing more and more nice things for each other.

Respond.

Compliment!

What if you humans responded more often with compliments? Can you imagine how much Hoopeston would benefit?

Let's try it. I will start. Great job to all those who helped make the recent Gonzalez benefit supper and auction the huge success it was. Clearly it took much work and planning. We should also give a "shout out" to the response from what is obviously a gracious Hoopeston community."

Tomorrow, let's all make Hoopeston a "Day for Responding!" Compliment someone for just one thing. Then stand back and see what happens.





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> VFW Menu Orange & 4th Ave., Hoopeston

Thursdays: **Tacos by Norma 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 5 - 8 p.m.** No call-in orders from 5-8 p.m. *Check out our video gaming machines!*



Snow's in the forecast. It's not too late to get on our SNOW REMOVAL LIST Call Brian at T&L Lawncare

(217) 283-7214

— Briefly —

VFW seeks members

Are you a veteran of a foreign war? Buddy Egnew Post 4826 wants you to join! Stop in and talk to any member on how to join and what the VFW can do for you, or call (217) 283-5025.

At the Library

• Legos Club, for kids in grades K-6, will meet from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Thursday.

• Coffee and Coloring for adults will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, March 7. Supplies available or bring your own.

For information, call (217) 283-6711.

HMA dance

"Yesterday's Country" will be the band at a Hoopeston Multi Agency dance, to be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday at the Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. Bring a covered dish to share, a favorite dessert or anything to

New Books at the Library

Fiction

Beautiful Storm by Barbara Freethy The Sleeper and the Spindle by Neil Gaiman (young adult)

Career of Evil by Robert Galbraith

A Banquet of Consequences by Elizabeth George Playing With Fire by Tess Gerritsen (mystery)

Best Boy by Eli Gottlieb The Hidden by Heather Graham

Rogue Lawyer by John Grisham (regular and large print)

Heart of the Country by Rene Gutteridge (large print)

For Your Convenience HOOPESTON CAR WASH & MILL-FORD CAR WASH now accept Debit/Credit Cards in the Automatics AND Self Service Fast & Easy! No more hunting for change! snack on and share with friends. Admission is \$5 per person.

Youth softball signups

Hoopeston Youth Softball signups will be held from 1-2 p.m. March 5, 6, and 20 at Hoopeston City Hall. There will be no signups at the WHPO Expo this year. Registration is \$65 for one child and \$45 for each additional child. Leagues include Instructional for ages 5-7, Minor, ages 8-10; and Major, 11-14. Age is as of December 31, 2015.

City continued from other side

•Heard from Alderman Randy Carter about a "somewhat unique snow last week." Because temperatures hovered above freezing for much of the storm, snow was unable to be plowed from alleys, which were too soft due to the temperatures and initial rain.

• In related discussion, resident Karon Gibson spoke of needed pavement repairs near her home in the 700 block of East Main.

• Heard from Alderman Alex Houmes that the city now has ownership of the web page address, www.cityofhoopeston.com. Work on a new web page is ongoing.

• Heard from Alderman Chad Yaden that a new mower for the cemetery has been delivered. Cemetery employees are removing grave blankets, he said.

Weather

Rain/snow likely today. High 37. Tonight, decreasing clouds. Low 24. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, snow late. High 36, low 30.

SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK February 28-March 5 Get tips at www.weather.gov/ilx/severe-prep Public Service Announcement



Express Employment Professionals is now accepting applications for the following positions in the Hoopeston area:

Machine OperatorsForkliftWarehouseManufacturingGeneral laborersPay rates from \$8.50 to \$10.50 an hourApplicants must have flexible schedules for first, secondand third shifts. Immediate positions may be available.Please contact Kevin Nelson, 217-283-7771 ex. 236to schedule your appointment.

Classifieds HELP WANTED

The City of Hoopeston is seeking an energetic, self-motivated individual who has the ability to analyze, implement and manage the day-to-day operations of the city's administrative office. The individual needs to be a capable leader and a skilled manager.

Primary duties include human resources, payroll, risk management, health insurance administration, financial accounts management and administrative assistant to the Mayor and City Council members.

Requirements: associate's degree in business administration with a minimum of three years' leadership experience or equivalent thereof.

Confidential replies, including resume, cover letter and salary expectations should be submitted to: <u>citvofhoopeston-jobs@gmail.com</u>. Drug-free workplace. EOE

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