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## Hoopeston Patriots Club seeks to assist city-based charities

Members of a disbanded service group have started a new club to help agencies in the Hoopeston area.

Hoopeston Patriots Club was formed earlier this year after the national VFW disbanded the men's and women's auxiliaries, combining them into the VFW Auxiliary.

Local members of the men's auxiliary decided to form a new group, Hoopeston Patriots Club, to help not only the VFW Auxiliary but also groups such as Grant Township Food Cupboard, Hoopeston Multi Agency and Hoopeston Animal Shelter, along with others that could use some help.

Hoopeston Patriots Club is open to everyone; military service is not a requirement. The group is a registered 501(c)3, meaning donations are tax-deductible. Dave Lucht of Milford is the club's registered agent.



Although not affiliated with the VFW, the local Post 4826 is allowing them to use their post home, at 428 W. Orange, as a meeting place. Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Those interested in joining may see the VFW bartender for a signup sheet. Dues are \$40 per year.

Along with dues, Hoopeston Patriots Club will hold events to raise funds to help local groups. One such fundraiser will be the Big Breakfast, to be held from 6 a.m.-noon Saturday, Oct. 21 at the VFW post. Tickets are \$5 for adults; \$3 for kids 10 and younger and free for youngsters four and younger.

A 50/50 drawing will also be held. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and will be available at the breakfast.

## Reserve seating opens Wednesday for HPL's *Hoopeston Lore*

Reserve seating sign-up for the Hoopeston Public Library's "Hoopeston Lore" begins October 18 for performances at 6 and 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 at the library.

An additional performance is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29 at Autumn Fields.

Admission is free, but seating is limited. Those who wish to attend should go to the library main desk and sign up for the show.

The original script, written and directed by Tom Sweeney, is adapted from early historical writings of Hoopeston settlers.

Dramatizations include authentic stories, including

the Grant Township race track, existing in 1857-62; Thomas Snell, developer of Leeds (west side of Hoopeston); a notorious fugitive who befriended a farm boy; an unforgettable Holy City engagement; Yonkelowitz's donation of a city landmark; a Deacon who is tempted; the 1905 passenger train that overturned on its tracks, resulting in tragedy; and telephone operators who present an abridged history of Hoopeston over their party lines.

The cast includes Mike Pemberton, Janell Sechriest, Jeanette Andre, Al Zawarus, Sarah Miller, Dave Foster, Maggie Cope, Jerry Northam, Yolanda Pemberton, Marilyn Tyler, Judy Doeden and Nancy Mason.



## Flu Shot Clinic

Charlotte Ann Russell Medical Center, 801 E. Orange St.

October 16, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Flu Shot: \$40

Flu Shot (High Dose): \$60

*No appointment necessary. Patients must be 6 months or older. Nasal Flu Mist will not be available at any location.*

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Hoopeston Regional Health Center

## From the Blotter

A 72-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 10 a.m. Wednesday that someone tried to enter his garage in the 500 block of West Lincoln.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at S. Dixie Hwy. and West Elm. Police said Patricia Benson, of Hoopeston, was south-bound in a 2015 Dodge when she struck a curb.

Elyscha Wells, 19, of Hoopeston, was arrested after a traffic stop at 11:54 p.m. Thursday at third St. and

Penn. He was charged with operating a vehicle when registration is canceled, suspended or revoked and was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

An 80-year-old Hoopeston man reported at 2:30 p.m. Friday that someone took items from his home on Sprague Rd.

A three-vehicle accident at 5:13 p.m. Friday resulted in tickets for two of the drivers involved.

Police said Tina Lile, 53, of Hoopeston, in a 1991 Chevrolet pickup, backed from a parking space in the 700 block of South First Ave., and was struck by a 2011 Ford, driven by Gabrielle Doss, 24, also of Hoopeston, causing Lile's vehicle to hit a parked Buick, owned by Aaron

Cannon, 26, also of Hoopeston.

Lile was cited for improper backing and released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County traffic court.

Cannon was charged with operating an uninsured vehicle and unlawful display on a vehicle of registration. He was also released on notices to appear in traffic court.

No injuries were reported.

Robert Colunga, 26, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 1:35 a.m. Saturday to the 300 block of North Sixth Ave. for a possible domestic disturbance. He was charged with criminal damage to property under \$500 and assault and was released on a notice to appear.

Melinda Rae Miller, 36, of Watseka, was arrested after police were called at 10:15 a.m. Saturday to

Parkview Court for a report of someone trying to enter an apartment. She was charged with disorderly conduct, released on a notice to appear, then taken to Carle Hoopeston's emergency room for evaluation, claiming she did not feel well.

## Obituaries

**BARRAGREE** - Eugene "Pete" Barragree, 96, of Watseka, formerly of Hoopeston, died Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017 at Illinois Veterans Home, Manteno. Visitation will be 11 a.m. until the 1 p.m. funeral Monday at Knapp Funeral Home, Watseka. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Watseka, with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion and Iroquois County VFW posts. Memorials are suggested to Watseka American Legion Post #23, First Methodist Church, Watseka or donor's choice.

**CATRON** - Debbie Anne (Barnes) Catron, 64, of Danville, formerly of Hoopeston, died Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2017. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Tuesday at Sunset Funeral Home and Cremation Center, Danville. A celebration of her life will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Danville Public School Foundation, 516 N. Jackson St., Danville IL 61832.

**CHANEY** - Carol L. (Benbow) Chaney, 94, of Watseka, formerly of Wellington, died Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017 at Iroquois Resident Home, Watseka. Visitation will be 9:30 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral Tuesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Watseka. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery, Hoopeston. Memorials are suggested to Wellington United Methodist Church or Iroquois Memorial Hospice.

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## Lunch Menus

### Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken patty/bun, broccoli/cheese, applesauce, Sunset Sip juice, milk

TUESDAY: Beefy fiestada, refried beans, chips & salsa, salad, peaches, milk

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

THURSDAY: Biscuit & gravy, sausage links, tater tots, baby carrots, mandarin orange, milk

FRIDAY: No school

### Hoopeston Area Middle School

MONDAY: Chicken nuggets, broccoli/cheese, salad, applesauce, milk, juice

TUESDAY: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Ravioli, Max Stick, salad, applesauce, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Hotdog, baked beans, salad, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: No school

### Hoopeston Area High School

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

TUESDAY: Pork roast or Hot Pocket, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple, milk, juice

WEDNESDAY: Ravioli or BBQ rib, Max Stick, salad, applesauce, milk, juice

THURSDAY: Hotdog or cheeseburger, baked beans, salad, peaches, milk, juice

FRIDAY: No school

## Briefly

### At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Monday Maniacs**, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday. Wild and wacky fun for grades 3-6.

**Brain Health** series, Thursdays through October 26, 10-11:30 a.m. Sponsored by U of I Extension.

**Homeschool Gathering**, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Thursday. All local homeschool families are invited to share ideas. Bring the kids! Activities for all and refreshments.

**Sensory Story Time**, 10-11 a.m. Saturday. A monthly program designed especially for children with special needs. Activity will include a story and craft.

### Breast cancer support group

Hoopeston Breast Cancer Support Group meets at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at The Pit Stop at Fast Lanes. The next meeting will be October 19.

Please spread the word and join us for a meeting to offer support to past and present breast cancer survivors. For more information, call Pat Foster, (815) 984-4040.

**Tree Climber Genealogy Workshop**, 10-11 a.m. Saturday. For beginners or those who want to take their search to the next level. Learn how to use the HPL's online resources, including Ancestry.com.

## Weather

Sunny today. High 61. Tonight, clear. Low 42. Tomorrow, sunny. High 67, low 45.

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## Classifieds

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2 BR, washer/dryer hookup. \$375/mo. Plus deposits. (217) 283-7439

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### SERVICES

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