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## State DAR District III Director meets with local chapters

Marie Bodecker, District III Director of the Illinois State Daughters of the American Revolution, visited the joint meeting of Barbara Standish Chapter NSDAR, Hoopeston, and Princess Wach-E-Kee Chapter NSDAR, Watseka, on Saturday, Oct. 21st, at the Cissna Park Family Restaurant. A business meeting was conducted prior to the program giving the opening ritual, President General's message, National Defense reports and table blessing for the meal.



**BODECKER**

The director's program was on "Time Travel," going back to 1856 and the steamship Arabia. The Arabia was built in 1853 in West Brownsville, Penn., a

## HPL to offer *Learn to Crochet*

Have you always wanted to learn the art of crochet? Hoopeston Public Library is offering the opportunity this fall with a fun "Learn to Crochet" class for beginners, starting Nov. 20.

Two sessions will be offered to accommodate various schedules: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Participants will start from the beginning, learn about types of yarn and hooks, and learn the basic stitches to create a simple project.

Cost for the program is \$10 per person, which will cover beginning supplies. Pre-registration and advance payment is required, and should be made no later than Friday, Nov. 17.

Call 217-283-6711 or stop by the library's main desk to register or for more information.

171-foot long side-wheeler (paddle wheels on each side) steamship. Each paddle wheel was 28 feet tall. It's top speed was 5 mph.

In September 1856, the Arabia was carrying 220 tons of cargo, 130 men, women and children plus crew, heading west on the Missouri River when a fallen walnut tree in the river pierced her hull and she sank. The Arabia did not sink quickly and all passengers were able to escape using only a lone rowboat to get them all off.

The only casualty, according to Bodecker, was a mule who was tied to a piece of sawmill equipment

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## The PIT STOP at EAST LANES

**Monday:** Taco Salad (chicken or beef) or Tenderloin (grilled or breaded)  
**Tuesday:** Chicken or Beef & Noodles or Speedway Burger  
**Wednesday:** Ribeye Sandwich or Pork Chops  
**Thursday:** Swiss Steak or Popcorn Shrimp  
**Friday:** Cod, Rib eye Steak or Ribs  
**Saturday:** Prime Rib, Rib eyes or Ribs

Now serving Chili & Vegetable Beef soup

Saturday, Nov. 11

**8-9-10 Pin Tournament**

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719 W. Elm, Hoopeston (217) 283-6505

# Robinson Chiropractic of Hoopeston

*presents*

## Ladies' Night Out

**November 16 5 - 8 p.m.**

**Masonic Star Lodge**  
208 W. Orange, Hoopeston

*Starring*

**Robinson Chiropractic**

**Thirty-One**

**Wild Tree**

**Lula Roe**

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**Holiday  
Open House**  
Thursday, Nov. 9  
4-7 p.m.

Samples Drawings & More

**Hoopeston IGA**

1030 W. Chestnut St.  
Hoopeston IL  
(217) 283-6683

## From the Blotter

A boy's blue 10-speed bicycle was found at 10:15 a.m. Monday in the back yard of a house in the 500 block of East Main. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 3:12 p.m. Monday at Fourth St. and Lincoln.

Police said Lori Linares, 35, of Hoopeston, in a 2005 Pontiac G6, struck a parked 2008 Chevrolet van driven by Rosetta Strawser, 29, also of Hoopeston.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 7:49 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of South Dixie Hwy. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2002 Honda van owned by Janet Bogard, of Hoopeston, then left the scene.

### DAR continued from other side

on the deck and forgotten in chaos that followed.

Over time, the Missouri changed course by a half a mile, losing the exact location of the Arabia. David Hawley located the wreck in July of 1987 using a metal detector. The steamboat was 45 feet under a Kansas farm field.

Hawley, his father Bob, brother Greg and friends Jerry Mackey and David Luttrell spent the next 20 years excavating the Arabia, which still housed the largest collection of pre-Civil War artifacts in the world.

Today, the Arabia Steamboat Museum, which opened in November 1991, displays the artifacts found on the Arabia, including the 10-ton stern of the Arabia. Well over 4,000 items are on display, according to Bodecker.

The museum is located at 400 Grand Blvd, Kansas City, Mo.,

More information on the Arabia can be found at [www.1856.com](http://www.1856.com).

## Weather

Mostly cloudy today. High 48. Tonight, showers likely. Low 47. Tomorrow, chance of showers. High 64, low.

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## Obituaries

**BUSHUE**—Richard D. "Dick" Bushue, 84, of Rankin, died Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation will be 4-6:30 p.m. Wednesday at Knapp Funeral Home, Rankin, and 10 a.m. Thursday until the 11 a.m. celebration of his life at Rankin United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Rankin Union Cemetery with military rites by Hoopeston American Legion post. Memorials are suggested to Rankin Lions Club or Hoopeston American Legion.

**DACC Higher Learning Center - Hoopeston**  
**Spring 2018 Registration**  
Advising and Counseling  
November 21, 9 a.m.-noon  
Call to make your appointment.

**Creative Decorative Satin Bows**  
Tuesdays, Nov. 28 & Dec. 5 from 6-8 pm.  
\$25 plus \$10 material fee

**The Mixed Decades - 1960s**  
Tom Sweeney Lecture Series  
Wednesday, Nov. 29 from 6-8 p.m.  
\$12 (includes dessert)

**All in One Day**  
December 8, 9 a.m.-3p.m.  
Orientation / Placement Testing / Registration /  
Financial Aid / Trio / Advising and Counseling  
Call for more information and to register!  
Call 217-283-4170, stop by 847 E. Orange, Hoopeston,  
or visit [www.dacc.edu/hoopeston](http://www.dacc.edu/hoopeston)

## Briefly

### Members' Appreciation Day

Hoopeston VFW Post 4826 will hold Members' Appreciation Day from 9 am.-noon Saturday, Nov. 11 at the post. This is for all active and eligible members and their families. Spaghetti and chili will be served. Come join our family!

### The Gathering

Rossville area senior citizens are invited to The Gathering, a monthly get-together held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rossville Fire Station. It is hosted by RCO. This will be the last one for the year.

### At the library

Upcoming events at Hoopeston Public Library include: **Tiny Tots**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Friday. For youngsters 0-4 who are accompanied by a caregiver.

**Music in Motion**, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday. For preK-second grade. Music and action plus a story and craft. Adult caregiver must accompany child.

## Classifieds

### APARTMENTS FOR RENT

2 BR, many updates, second floor. \$400/mo. Call (217) 283-7439.

### AUCTIONS

Auction Saturday, Nov. 11th 12:00 sharp. Budget Mini Storage, 710 W. Orange, Hoopeston. 2 sheds for sale. 217 497 6713

### HELP WANTED

Church secretary, part time (20 hrs./wk.) Successful candidate will have a heart for Ministry, ability to multi-task and have excellent communications skills. Must have flexibility, strong secretarial skills, attention to detail and be proficient in MS Office and Apple. Successful candidate will provide polite and professional assistance via phone, mail and e-mail and bring a helpful, positive presence to the church office. Must have high school diploma and prior secretarial experience. No phone calls. Send resume to First Church of God, 1012 E. Orange, Hoopeston IL 60942.

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