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Mayor going through chief resumes to find right fit for city

Mayor Bill Crusinberry is still reviewing resumes to looking for."

find a police chief who is the right fit for Hoopeston.

Crusinberry said 35 resumes were received from candidates of various levels and in different stages of their careers. For example, a candidate is retired but applied for the position. That one may not make the cut because, having already retired, Crusinberry doesn't see the person filling the position long-term. "I don't want to have to do this again," he said.

He is trying to narrow down the candidate list "to those that mostly fit what the city needs...to narrow down to those that most closely fit what we're

Development volunteer recognized

A long-time economic development volunteer was recognized at Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting.

Bill Nicholls was recognized for past and ongoing volunteerism, including being a charter member of the Hoopeston Economic Development Committee, an ad-hoc group of business people, city officials and others. The group "saw that things didn't die because of lack of attention," said Mayor Bill Crusinberry.

Among the committee's successes was the DACC Higher Learning Center and the new McDonald's, he said.

For the past three years, Nicholls has been the driving force behind Hoopeston Happenings, a weekly radio program on WHPO focusing on events in the city.

Nicholls recently stepped down from that task, turning it over to the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce, Crusinberry said. However, he has not stopped volunteering, as Crusinberry named Nicholls as Hoopeston's representative to the Vermilion County Land Bank.

"I'd like to say thank you for all he has done and is doing for the community," Crusinberry said.

That prompted Ald. Carl Ankenbrand to ask "What are we looking for?"

High on Crusinberry's list, along with longevity, are professionalism and management experience, among others.

Asked who will interview candidates, Crusinberry said a recent ordinance change puts hiring a chief as a duty of the mayor, with the advice and consent of the council but that "I won't do it myself."

Sgt. Jim DeWitt was named acting chief following the death of former Chief Mark Drollinger in July.

See RESUMES on other side

Award-winning Elvis impersonator to be at Lorraine Saturday

Doug Church, the Voice of Elvis will bring his sultry, pelvis thrusting style to the Lorraine Theatre Saturday.

Church will perform at 6:30 p.m. at the theater, at 324 E. Main. A post-performance meet and greet will be held.

Church began his Elvis career in 1983 while in the U.S. Air Force. In four years, he collected 11 first-place trophies for his likeness and other categories. In 1990, he competed in the fourth Images of the King contest in Memphis, Tenn., competing against contestants from all over the world. He took second place that year and re-

turned the following year to claim "the World's Best Elvis Impersonator." In 1999, he starred in and performed soundtrack vocals for the documentary "Almost Elvis."

Tickets are \$25 each and are available at Hoopeston Water Department (closed Friday), Marathon, Hoopeston DACC center and at the door.

While at the theater, try your luck for a chance to take home an Elvis portrait done by Hoopeston artist Brian Pierce. Other Elvis items will also be available.

HARBOR

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Briefly

Veterans Day ceremony

Hoopeston's Veterans Day ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday at Hoopeston Area Middle School gym, 615 E. Orange. The program will feature the American Legion/VFW Color Guard, high school band and chorus, Community Children's Choir and student essay. Veteran Alfred Coon will be the keynote speaker.

Following the ceremony, free chili will be served at the American Legion, 502 E. Penn.

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!

Rankin UMC bazaar

"Snowmen Country Gathering" is the theme of the Rankin United Methodist Women's fall bazaar, which will be held from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday in the Berquist Fellowship Hall. The event will feature crafts, a country store, quilt raffle plus coffee and rolls from 8-1 and soups, sandwiches and desserts from 10:30-1. The hall is



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Gifts for Yanks Who Gave

Hoopeston American Legion is again collecting donations for the Christmas program that will provide comfortable clothing, personal hygiene items and a heart-filled "thank you" to our veterans in nursing care facilities. Contributions may be taken or mailed to Hoopeston American Legion, 502 E. Penn St., Hoopeston IL 60942.

Leaf disposal

Residents are asked to not place piles of leaves in the street gutter. Like cut grass, leaves clog the sewer system. Instead, please leave leaf piles up on the curb for pickup.

Bowling Scores

Will Bruens Thursday Night League

November 2

Ferdinand Construction	52-25
C & D	50-27
Family Affair	49-28
Cooter's Crew	43-34
We Don't Care	42-35
North Eastern Officials	26-51
Ford Boys	24-53
Phil's Snow Removal	22-55

High Individual Game: Dusty Fields 267, Chad Bruens 266, Ethan Linder 255.

High Team Series: Anthony Cappellano 676,

Resumes continued from other side

In other business, the council:

- Approved a bid from Yaden Christmas Trees for perpetual care grave blankets. It was the only bid received for the project, coming in at \$52.50 per blanket, with 39 blankets needed.

Each piece will be 30"x36" with fresh Scotch pine branches, cut fresh daily, decorated with six artificial poinsettias, six pine cones and a red outdoor bow.

Blankets will be delivered to Floral Hill Cemetery by November 22.

- Approved selling surplus water department property. High bidders were Greg Shipman, \$1,250 for a 1991 Ford pickup; Drew Hall, \$506.37 for a trencher; and Danner Construction, \$766.16 for a skid steer.

- Approved purchasing a new end loader for the street and alley department. The 2017 John Deere 444 lists for \$206,606, but has a \$128,950 price tag from

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 pre-K-second grade. Music and action plus a story and craft. Adult caregiver must accompany child.

Halloween coloring contest

Children are invited to participate in a Halloween coloring contest sponsored by the employees of the Hoopeston Police Department. Prizes will be given in age categories: 5 years and under; 6-8 years; 9-11 years; and 12-13.

Doug Wagoner 665, Geoffery Berlin 658, **High Team Scratch Game:** Ferdinand Construction 925, **High Team Scratch Series:** Family Affair 2582

Games over 200: Ethan Linder 255; Russell Reed 225; Steve Bruens 202; Anthony Cappellano 215, 249, 212; Geoffery Berlin 254, 222; Keith Cappellano 213,227; Ronnie Cappellano 222, 246; Dusty Fields 209, 267; Darrin Eighner 214, Doug Wagoner 230, 211, 224; Chad Bruens 266.

600 Series: Anthony Cappellano 676, Geoffery Berlin 658, Keith Cappellano 620, Ronnie Cappellano 628, Dusty Fields 654, Doug Wagoner 665, Chad Bruens 636.

Martin Equipment of Tolono.

After a municipal discount and \$38,000 trade-in, the final cost to the city is \$90,950, said chairman, Ald. Ryan Anderson.

- Heard from Crusinberry that the Illinois Municipal League is planning a statewide coordinated flag raising to be held at noon on Monday, Dec. 4, in honor the Illinois' bicentennial in 2018.

The IML will provide a new state flag, certificate and proclamation to all communities taking part in the event.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 34. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 24. Tomorrow, partly sunny, chance of showers late. High 42, low 34. Sunday, showers likely. High 44, low 32.

Pictures may be picked up at the police station, 301 W. Main, and must be returned to the station by Nov. 17.

From the Blotter

Kurtis Simpson, 32, of Hoopeston, was arrested after police were called at 10:01 p.m. Wednesday to the 400 block of East Honeywell. Known to be banned from the location, he was charged with criminal trespass to state property and also possession of a controlled substance and possession of methamphetamine. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Obituaries

KLIPP - Karen S. (Arseneau) Klipp, 63, of Cissna Park died Monday, Nov. 6, 2017 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation will be 9 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral Saturday at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park. Burial will be in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery, Beaverville. Memorials are suggested to donor's choice.

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