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Few area residents request federal flood help

Few Vermilion and Iroquois residents affected by flooding last month sought help Saturday, the first day of flood assistance centers set up by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

In Vermilion County, the center is at the David S. Palmer Civic Center, while Iroquois County residents may go to the county's Administrative Center in Watseka. Centers are open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sites will remain open through Tuesday.

Also, flood victims may request assistance by calling 1-800-462-9029 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

FEMA officials in Iroquois County expressed surprise at the low turnout. Timothy Doyle, FEMA public affairs representative said 825 Iroquois County homes were affected by the flood. Of those, 300 were in Cissna Park, 250 in Watseka, and the rest in Wellington, Claytonville, Stockland, Goodwine and the Kellart Lake area.

Center manager Norm Enevold said Cissna Park mayor Rick Baier told him of 350 homes in the village, 300 sustained some type of flood damage.

Officials were unsure why turnout was low. Doyle attributed it to pride, saying those affected by the flood don't want to accept a handout. "I tell them it's not," he said. "It's like a bank account set aside from paying taxes."

Enevold suggested Saturday's rain may have affected turnout. "Maybe they're making sure their sump pumps work," he said.

Those who did visit the center were first sent to the Small Business Administration table to apply for a low-interest federal loan.

According to Doyle, loans may be requested for up to \$200,000 for home damage and \$40,000 for personal possessions.

Those who do not qualify for the loan could then apply for the Individual Family Grant. Money from the grant may be used to fix structures or replace belongings, but is limited. "You're not going to see ASSISTANCE on other side

State loan funds available

The state is making loan money available to Vermilion County residents through a local bank.

The Hoopeston branch of Palmer American National Bank will administer the program locally, according to Tammy Lowell of the Vermilion County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency (ESDA).

Several types of loans are available, including flood relief for transitional expenses, ag production loan extensions, individual and business relief, and a home improvement program.

Rates on the loan program are tied to the certificate of deposit rate, said Dennis Neal of the local Palmer American National Bank.

Rates vary by program. The transitional expenses program rate is 6.4 percent, while the ag production loan extension is 8.5 percent. Individual and business relief is 8.05 percent and the home improvement program rate is 8.5 percent.

To get a state loan, applicants must show need and must have their credit approved.

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Police News

Gail D. Savage, no age given, of 516 N. Tenth

Prom royalty crowned

Cory Stipp and Shannon Cornelius were crowned king and queen at the Hoopeston Area High School prom Saturday night.

Members of the court were Emily Jahn, Jill Miller, Dawn Lane, Lisa Bibb, Josh Williamson, Octavio Martinez, Kyle Prasse and Chris Timmons.

Following prom at Honeywell School, the evening ended with post-prom activities at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Those activities were sponsored by the Hoopeston Jaycees.

Assistance continued from other side ing to replace the 52" tv with a 52" tv," Doyle said.

Other services are also available to flood victims, including help from the Internal Revenue Service on filing amended tax returns to reflect damage.

Agriculture assistance is available to farmers who may have sustained crop damage in the flood. An insurance services area is also available for those who have problems dealing with their insurance companies.

In Iroquois County, the process lasts about an hour, Enevold said. In Vermilion County, applying takes approximately two hours.

State continued from other side

How much money is available is undetermined. Neal said information from state Treasurer Patrick Quinn's office did not specify a maximum amount. "It depends on the institution," he said.

While state money is now available, Lowell suggested flood victims apply for a federal grant first. "I would say they might have a better chance getting a grant," she said. "I would recommend going with the federal program first."

Ave., was arrested at 5:36 p.m. Thursday on an outstanding warrant. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Steven Rabe, 27, of 874 E. Honeywell, was arrested at 10:32 p.m. Thursday. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and illegal transportation of alcohol after police allegedly found him asleep in his vehicle at Burger King. Rabe was released after posting \$100 and his driver's license as bond.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 8:13 a.m. Friday. Vehicles driven by Jay A. Ferdinand, 326 W. Chestnut, and Scotty C. King, II, 824 E. Wyman, Apt. 15, collided on East Washington and Euclid.

Sidney A. Felton, 41, of 631 E. McCracken, was arrested at 9 p.m. Friday. He was charged with illegal transportation of alcohol and released on \$75 bond.

Earnest Norwood, 73, of 449 N. Jackson, Danville, was arrested at 8:46 p.m. Friday. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, illegal transportation of alcohol, no valid driver's license and operation of uninsured motor vehicle. He was taken to the Public Safety Building.

Police are investigating a report of criminal damage to property. Police noticed several yards on East Lincoln, Wilson, Sprague and Sells Drive had been damaged by an unidentified vehicle. The damage occurred Saturday.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 9:19 a.m. Saturday. A vehicle driven by Kari A. Goodrich, 859 E. Maple, was struck by a railroad crossing gate on the 100 block of West Main.

Weather

Partly sunny and warmer today. High in the mid 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low in the low 40s. Tomorrow, scattered thunderstorms. High near 65, low near 44.

Child Support Collection

Can a parent withhold visitation because the other has not paid child support?

No. Child support and visitation are unrelated. The proper way to pursue child support is to file a petition to find the non-paying parent in contempt of court. By withholding visitation, you may be in contempt yourself.

Illinois law provides that if a parent fails to pay his or her child support, the other parent may not only recover back support, but also attorney fees.

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