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Bulls, broncs, barrel racing: it's rodeo time

It will be a classic contest - man against beast - when the Illiana Western Days Rodeo comes to town this weekend.

Two performances, at 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, are scheduled, said event organizer Rod Burkett.

Burkett is president of the Hoopeston chamber of Commerce, which is co-sponsoring the rodeo with the Hoopeston Jaycees.

Both performances will be held at McFerren Park.

The rodeo, sanctioned by the International Professional Rodeo Association, will feature seven events: bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, bare back riding, team roping, saddle bronc competition and women's barrel racing, Burkett said.

Specialty acts are expected to include the Thorntons, a father and two daughters who work with trick horses and will perform a traditional Native

American act as part of the opening ceremony.

The man responsible for cowboy safety - and clowning around - will be Britt Spillman of Murray, Ky., Burkett said.

An added attraction this year is the addition of free pony rides for children attending the rodeo. Rides, sponsored by McDonald's and Subway, will be offered 90 minutes before each performance in the park annex.

This is the fourth rodeo in five years to be held in Hoopeston. A rained-out performance in 1992 extinguished plans for a 1993 show, Burkett said, but cowboy fever caught again, bringing the show back this year.

The event is sanctioned as a professional rodeo, which means participants earn points toward possible prize money at the end of the season, Burkett said.

See RODEO on other side

Rossville-Alvin district hires superintendent/principal

A Danville administrator has been named superintendent of the Rossville-Alvin school district.

Correction

It was reported in the June 22 edition of Just the Facts that Tony McKinley, president of the Rossville Merchants Association, told village trustees that another merchants association had not filed non-profit paperwork. McKinley said he asked trustees if the group had filed and trustees said they had not.

Phil Smith, currently principal at Northridge Middle School, will begin his new duties July 1. He replaces Jim O'Donley, who will retire June 30.

Smith will also serve as high school principal, and will receive a salary of \$64,000, compared with O'Donley's \$50,000.

Smith, a life-long county resident, has been at Northridge for 10 years and has 21 years' experience as an administrator.

He received his bachelor's, master's and advanced certificate from the University of Illinois and is now working on his doctorate's degree.

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Police News



Mark Lockhart, of Lockhart Auto Sales, 1020 W. Penn, reported Tuesday that someone took a Kenwood AM/FM stereo from a 1986 Toyota Supra.

Mike Quimby, Hoopeston, reported Tuesday that someone broke a sign at the First Church of the Nazarene, 402 E. Honeywell.

Mirand L. Schuette, 109 Donna Rd., Lafollette, TN., reported that someone took seven CDs and four tapes from her vehicle while it was parked at McFerren Park Tuesday.

Richard Martinez, 24, of 324 N. Eighth Ave., was arrested at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday on a complaint from Allen L. Bogard, Hoopeston. According to police reports, Martinez allegedly pulled a gun on Bogard during an argument.

Martinez was released on \$100 cash bond.

Stan Peterson, no address given, reported Tuesday that someone took his white, 26-inch K-Mart bicycle from Jerry's IGA.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 8:10 a.m. Wednesday.

A vehicle driven by Glenn R. Thompson, 723 E. Elm, was westbound on East Elm when it was struck by a vehicle driven by Maxine B. Letterman, 422 E. Seminary.

Police said Letterman was at fault for improper lane usage.

The Hoopeston fire department was called to an apartment fire at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday at 504 E. Honeywell. Fire chief Chuck Fenwick said a gas leak in a piece of flex pipe apparently was ignited by a stove pilot light. Damage to the kitchen area was minimal, Fenwick said.

Obituaries

McBRIDE - Russell H. "Barney" McBride, 71, died at 3:49 a.m. Wednesday, June 22, 1994, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday at the Rossville United Methodist Church. Burial will be in the Rossville Cemetery. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. today at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rossville-Alvin Boosters or the Rossville Historical Society. Brown-Alkire Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

In the hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
June 21, 1994

Admitted: Howard Cox, Hoopeston, one other person, name withheld.

Discharged: Marjorie Bretz, Hoopeston.

Weather



Cloudy today with a 70 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the lower 80s. Tonight, more showers. Low in the mid to upper 60s. Tomorrow, scattered showers. High near 79, low near 65.

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