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## Repairs to close railroad crossings in Hoopeston

Driving to the side of railroad crossings to avoid the rough spots - and crossing gates that come down when no train is in sight - should be a thing of the past after CSX crews make needed repairs this week.

Crews are expected to begin work today along 2.2 miles of track, from County Line Road to Thompson Avenue, said Gale Free, CSX road master.

Repairs may mean that almost all crossings in the city will be shut down. "At one point, we anticipate all crossings being closed," Free said.

Crossings at Route 9 and Main Street will remain open while other repairs are completed, he said. Those crossings are scheduled for repairs sometime after this week.

The initial work is expected to last through Tuesday and possibly into Wednesday. Crossings may be closed overnight, or, in some cases, for two nights, Free said.

When they reopen, crossings will have temporary surfaces of rock and asphalt, Free said. "It will be a little rough."

Work crews will return next week to put the fin-

ishing touches on the crossings.

The crossing at Route 9 will again have a rubber flange surface, while all other crossings are scheduled for wood.

The cost of rubber flange makes it prohibitive at other crossings, Free said, adding a crossing the size of the one on Main Street would cost "\$40,000 to \$50,000 easily," to repair with rubber.

New switches will also be installed along the route, which, according to Free, should cut down on the amount of time gates spend down when no trains are approaching. "You shouldn't have as much trouble with that," he said.

Repairs are expected to continue to the end of August, but should be done before the Sweetcorn Festival, Free said.

The last time such extensive work was done through Hoopeston was in the 1970s, he added.

Free admitted repairs would "be a headache at first," but added the result will be worth it.

"Before we get finished with your town, we'll have all nice, new crossings," he said. "You should have a premium rail through town."

## Milford man injured in one-car accident near Bryce

A Milford man remains hospitalized at Carle Foundation Hospital following an accident Saturday.

Timothy E. Worthey, 35, was taken to Iroquois Memorial Hospital, then transferred to Carle after the accident, according to Iroquois County sheriff's police.

The accident occurred at 10:30 p.m., approxi-

mately two miles west of Milford on the Milford/Bryce Slab.

Police said Worthey was eastbound on County Road 1000 N, when he lost control of his car on a curve. The car traveled 126 feet in the ditch, hit a ditch bank, flipped on its top and slid another 66 feet.

No tickets have been issued.

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Winners in the Hoopeston Music Boosters calendar drawing are:

July 11: Bruce McQuigg, Rankin  
July 12: Dave's Electronic Service, Hoopeston  
July 13: Vi Franklin, Hoopeston  
July 14: Rick McCay, Hoopeston  
July 14: Marie Harrington, Bloomington, Ind.

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- ♦ Hoopeston police stepped up enforcement of curfew and loitering laws
- ♦ Hoopeston officials considered applying for grants that would help low-income people fix their homes
- ♦ A new director for the Hoopeston Multi Agency Service Center was announced

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# Ha Ha Ha Ha



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## Police News



**Charles R. Richardson, Jr.**, 37, of 403 W. Maple, was arrested at 4:45 p.m. Thursday on a warrant for failure to appear. He was released on \$300 cash bond.

**Randy H. Branch II**, 21, of Alvin, was arrested at 12:02 a.m. Friday, charged with having an open container prohibited in public places after he was allegedly seen drinking beer in the mini park. He was released on a notice to appear.

**David R. Repass**, 28, of Indianapolis, Ind., was arrested by Rossville police Friday on warrant from Dixon, Ill. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

**John Norton**, 103 S. Bank St., reported Friday that someone broke two windows at his residence.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 7:40 p.m. Friday. A car driven by Penny A. Compton, 705 S. First Ave., Apt. C, was in the 900 block of West Orange when she struck a dog owned by Cathy Fink, 723 Scott Drive.

According to police reports, both Compton's 1986 Dodge Aries and the dog received minor damage.

The dog was taken to the veterinarian's office for treatment.

**Alonso Ramirez Bonifacio**, 55, of 309 S. Market, was arrested at 12:57 a.m. Saturday, charged with aggravated battery, reckless conduct and unlawful use of a weapon.

According to police reports, officers were called to Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital regarding a stabbing victim brought to the emergency room.

Officers learned that an argument and fight allegedly occurred between Bonifacio and the victim, Carlos Lara, of Monterey, Mexico. During the fight, Bonifacio allegedly stabbed Lara in the chest.

Police arrested Bonifacio at his home. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

Lara was treated and released from the hospital.

**Steve Highfill**, 827 E. Penn, reported Saturday that someone took a girl's 26" Murray bicycle from his garage.

Police are investigating a hit and run accident which occurred at 1:30 a.m. Sunday.

An unidentified vehicle struck parked cars owned by Juan R. Linares, 618 S. Second Ave., and Donald Witty, 315 Holmes, Rossville.

According to reports, a witness told police she heard a noise. When she looked out the window, she saw a vehicle strike Witty's car and a telephone pole. Linares told police his driver's side door was also damaged.

The Hoopeston Fire Department was called to Hunt's Trailer Court, Route 9, at 1:01 p.m. Sunday for a reported Dumpster fire.

## Obituaries

**HAWORTH** - Esther E. Haworth, 76, of Hoopeston, died at 8:51 p.m. Thursday, July 7, 1994 at United Samaritans Medical Center, Logan campus, Danville. Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. yesterday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial was in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation was held Saturday. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

**MORGESON** - Arvettia Morgeson, 77, of Hoopeston, died at 5:55 p.m. Saturday, July 9, 1994, at the Hoopeston Nursing Home. Graveside funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday at Floral Hill Cemetery. There was no visitation. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hoopeston Nursing Home.

## Weather



Mostly sunny and warmer today. High in the mid 80s. Tonight, fair. Low in the mid 60s. Tomorrow, scattered thunderstorms. High near 85, low near 65.

# Come to the Fair!

Vermilion County Fair

July 10-16

## Schedule of events

Monday, July 11 - 5 p.m. "Free Rides" (one-hour free carnival rides).

6-10 p.m. Carnival reopens. \$8 armbands

6 p.m. Talent Contest

7 p.m. Team Roping contest

Steer Wrestling & Calf Roping

8 p.m. Queen Pageant

Tuesday, July 12 - 6-10 p.m. Carnival Opens. \$8 armbands

7 p.m. Team Roping Contest

Open Competition Winged Sprint Car

Races & Street Stock Car race

6:30 p.m. Time Trials

7:30 p.m. Races

Wednesday, July 13 - 6-10 p.m. Carnival Open, \$8 armbands

6:30 p.m. ITPA Tractor Pull

Thursday, July 14 - 2-5 p.m. Kids Day \$5 armbands

6-10 p.m. Carnival Reopens \$8 armbands

5 p.m. One-day Open Steer Show

6:30 p.m. Junior Horse Show

8 p.m. AMA Sanctional Motorcycle Racing

Friday, July 15 - 6-10 p.m. Carnival Opens \$8 armbands

6:30 p.m. Open Western Horse Show

7:30 p.m. Webb Promotions Demolition

Derby

Saturday, July 16 - 11 a.m. Draft horse, Draft Pony & Mule Halter Classes

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