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State law puts city on Vermilion County delinquent list

A state law makes it look as though the city of Hoopeston is a deadbeat when it comes to paying property taxes.

The list of delinquent taxpayers, released last week, shows Hoopeston failed to pay \$2,250.59 in taxes on eight parcels of abandoned railroad property and propeerty at 330 W. Chestnut.

The Chestnut St. property has since been sold at a county tax sale.

However, Teresa Sollars. Grant Township assessor, said the properties were included in the list because state tax exemptions on the parcels has not been received. "By law, it has to be published," she said.

Because the properties are owned by a municipality, they are tax-exempt, but getting that status takes time. "It takes up to a year sometimes to get that exemption." Sollars said.

Meanwhile, the city, like other people listed as being delinquent, received a final notice for taxes on the property

That notice came certified mail, said Mary Lou Smith, deputy city clerk. "It's another waste of the taxpayers' money," she said.

While usual procedure is for property with delinquent taxes to be sold at a tax auction - scheduled Nov. 14 - Sollars said the city property will not be on the auction block.

\$100 top prize offered in pumpkin decorating contest

Sharpen those knives for the 1994 Pumpkin Family Reunion pumpkin decorating contest.

The contest will be held Saturday, Oct. 29 in downtown Hoopeston. Check-in time is 8-9 a.m. with judging set for 9-11 a.m.

Top prize is \$100, donated by Molly Culbert, plus cash awards given in each category, including \$20 for firest place and \$10 for second place.

Categories include carved only, carved and painted and painted only

Each category is divided into age divisions. Divisions are ages 8 and under ages 9-16, and ages 17 plus.

Culbert is donating free pumpkins to potential artists. Pumpkins may be picked up at Flowers & Gifts by Molly Culbert, 702 W. Main. The pumpkins were donated by the Layden and Leek farms.

Also scheduled Saturday is a Halloween cos-

time parade. Check-in time for that event is 11 a in front of Hollywood Video. The parade will step off at noon, with judging in categories for those under age five, five to eight years, and nine to 13

A \$10 prize will be awarded in each category.

Prize sponsors for the events include: \$20 pumpkin prizes, Crunch's, Classique, Inc., Community Bank, Demeter, Inc., Household Bank, FSB, Iroquois Federal, Jerry's IGA, Palmer Bank and Price-Less Foods.

Second place prizes are donated by Burton Motor Sales, Crown Ford-Mercury, Drollinger Insurance, Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital, McMurray Insurance, Polson Insurance, Read's Pontiac, Penicook Insurance and Weber Drugs.

First place prizes in the costume judging will be donated by LS Diesel Repair, Inc.

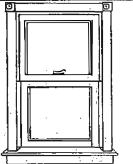
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Miracle Tree screening

Grant Township will begin screening for the Miracle Tree. Christmas baskets. Food Cupboard and commodities.

The screening will be 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. beginning Oct. 24 and ending in mid-November, at the Township building, 525 S. Market.

Recipients must have proof of income, proof of address and social security cards for everyone in the household.

Civic Center walkers

Walkers at the McFerren Park Civic Center are asked to sign in, especially evening walkers, to determine if enough people use the center to justify heating and lighting the building.

EIMPC activities

Activities at the community center this week include: Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., AARP meeting; Thursday, 9 a.m., coffee hour, 12:30 p.m., euchre.

Court dispositions



Robert Schroeder, Hoopeston, open storage prohibited pleaded not guilty, consolidated with Glenn Hackney charges.

Opal Thomas, Urbana, illegal storage of vehicles, nolle pros.

Ty McMillan, Hoopeston, deceptive practice. nolle pros.

Brian Edwards, Hoopeston, rule to show cause hearing, to pay \$75; converted to 18 hours public service work

Jamey Strawser, Hoopeston, disorderly conduct. nolle pros.

Joe Thrasher, Hoopeston, rule to show cause hearing, failure to pay \$75, continued two weeks.

In the hospital 5



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Oct. 20, 1994

Admitted: Margaret Cox. Largo, Fla. Discharged: Margarita Alvarado. Hoopeston.

Oct. 21, 1994

Admitted: Linda Nicholls, Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Oct. 22, 1994

Admitted: Louise Braden, Hoopeston. Discharged: Linda Nicholls; Hoopeston.

Oct. 23, 1994

Admitted: none. Discharged: none.

Obituaries

SLOAN - Raymond J. Sloan, 67, of Wellington, died at 11:15 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 1994, at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Wellington United Methodist Church. Burial will. be in Maple Grove Cemetery in Milford. There will be no visitation. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Police News



Margaret Mulcahey, a teacher at John Greer Grade School reported Sunday that someone broke two windows from classrooms at the school.

Ronnie G. Cade, 21, of 703 W. Washington, was arrested at 3:30 a.m. Sunday, charged with battery on a complaint from Chad M. Gossett, 412 S. Fifth St. Police talked to Gossett at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital, where he received treatment for injuries he allegedly received in a fight with Cade.

Cade was later arrested and released on \$100 cash bond.

Weather



Partly sunny and a little colder today. High in low 50s. Tonight, clear, Low in the low 30s. Tomorrow, fair. High in the upper 50s, low in the low 30s.

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