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Police News



Both drivers were ticketed in an accident at 6:01 p.m. Thursday at Routes 1 and 9.

A 1985 Chevrolet Astro, driven by Rodney D. Drollinger, 20, of 738 E. Main, was following a 1986 Kenworth truck, driven by Charles L. Crook, 39, route 2, Hoopeston. Crook put on his brakes and Drollinger's vehicle struck the truck in the rear.

Drollinger was ticketed for driving too fast for conditions and Crook was ticketed for following too closely.

The Hoopeston Fire Department was called to an illegal trash fire at 10:320 p.m. Thursday in the alley of the 600 block of East Seminary. No injuries were reported.

The department was called to a garage fire at 3:44 p.m. Friday at 313 W. Elm.

Two people were arrested at 11:05 Friday, charged with illegal consumption of alcohol.

Arrested were Ryan S. Rigsby, 20, of 221 W. Elm, and Jeremy D. Olson, 18, of 305 W. Penn.

Both were released on notices to appear in court.

Heidi Snyder, 400 W. Second Ave., Rankin, reported Saturday that someone entered her unlocked 1989 Chevrolet pickup truck, throwing papers from the glove compartment, damaging the interior and scratching the exterior.

Jose A. Cardenas, 406 E. Main, reported Sunday that someone broke the passenger side window of his 1984 Buick while it was parked at Fifth and East Penn.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 7:15 p.m. Sunday.

A 1991 Chevrolet, driven by Jackson D. Stockdale, 850 E. Lincoln, was backing from his driveway when he struck a parked 1976 Chevrolet owned by Raymond Sanders, 504 N. Ninth Ave.



Court dispositions



Nov. 17 - Phyliss White, Milford, deceptive practice, summons issued.

Dawn McNeese, Danville, deceptive practice, summons issued.

Steve Pinter, Danville, deceptive practice, summons issued.

Pam Chandler, Milford, deceptive practice, made restitution, three months court supervision.

Candace Cunningham, Rantoul, deceptive practice, summons issued.

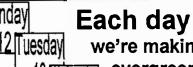
Maria Crawford, Hoopeston, nuisance junk auto, \$75.

Robert Bogard, no address listed, no parking,

summons issued.

Obituaries

HARDEN - Hubert E. "Red" Harden, 87, of Hoopeston, deid at 1:05 a.m. Friday, Dec. 9, 1994, at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the Antioch Church of Christ. Burial will be in the Rossville Cemetery. Visitation was held Sunday at the Wolfe Funeral Home in Rossville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Antioch Church of Christ.



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There's s-no-w reason to get upset about winter white

By LOURDINE FLOREK

Snow.

It's interesting to note that the little we got yesterday put people decidedly into one of two camps.

First, there are those whose work takes them out into the stuff regularly. For them, snow is a thing to be cursed, a nuisance. It's cold, it's wet, it has to be shoveled.

But there are those who enjoy the white stuff, for whom the first - and subsequent - snowfalls are magical.

Snow, to me, is all that is wonderful about winter.

It's light.

It's fluffy.

It piles up.

If we're lucky, it piles up enough to result in a snow day, where the only thing to do is curl up with people you love and enjoy the unexpected vacation. It's a reminder to slow down.

Snow is an indoor/outdoor experience. It can be enjoyed from the warmth of the inside, by looking out windows, watching it waft to earth like so much goose down.

Or, it can be enjoyed outside, catching flakes on the tongue and reveling in the taste that belongs only to snow. It can be molded into balls which can then be hurled at unsuspecting passersby or made into snowmen.

The fluffy stuff, unsuitable for snowballs, is perfect for making snow angels. It's also pretty fun to roll down a snow-covered hillside. And let's not forget sledding, which would be impossible without snow.

Snow, like baggy sweaters, covers a multitude of sins.

It hides the ugliness that can sometimes be winter, like dirt that, for a season, refuses to grow anything green.

It adds brilliance to trees which have lost the majesty of spring and summer green and the splendor of fall colors. There are fewer things more beautiful than to witness the white of a snow-covered field, broken by the stark contrast of black trees.

At night, moonlight and streetlights turn snow into winter's diamonds.

There is something cleansing about snow. Coming at the end of the year as it does, it's a sign that no matter how bad the previous 365 days have

been, they're almost over. A new year, a new chance, are just ahead. Looking out a window early in the morning at a world blanketed in white, a reminder that, no matter how bad things seem, there is always hope.

Snow represents innocence, which can be comforting to those of us with a wide streak of cynicism.

Early snowfalls - before we get tired of shoveling and driving through the stuff - remind us of when we were children and snow was exciting.

When we were young, the first snowfall could only mean one thing: Christmas was not far away.

Not only would we get excited about that, but we were young enough, not yet jaded, to appreciate snow for what it was.

Fun.

As adults, even those of us who like snow realize that it's an attractive nuisance. We realize it's going to make our trip to work longer and we just might throw our backs out cleaning the sidewalk.

But those thoughts will come later, after we've had several snows, when we're sick of the dirt-tinged gray of snow that has overstayed its welcome.

Until then, however, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

Weather



Partly sunny and warmer today. High in the mid 30s. Tonight, fair. Low in the low 20s. Tomorrow, variable cloudiness. High near 43, low near 25.



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