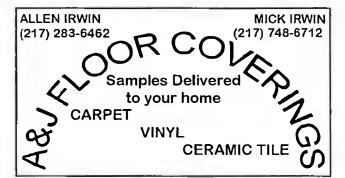
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Police News



Daniel O. Lugo, 606 W. Chestnut, reported Thursday that someone broke the driver's window and mirror on his GMC pickup while it was parked at 215 W. Lincoln.

Avery A. Haas, 21, of 703 W. Washington, was arrested Thursday, charged with two counts of criminal sexual assault.

Haas was arrested based on a complaint from a 15-year-old girl who alleged he molested her in October 1994 and on Jan. 30.

Haas was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Rebecca Rigsby, 221 W. Elm, reported Friday that she returned home to find her television and VCR by the open front door. Her back door was also open.

Police, assisted by the Vermilion County Sheriff's Department K-9 unit, searched the area but found no one.

Spaghetti supper planned

The Rossville auxiliary police will sponsor a spaghetti supper from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 at the Rossville-Alvin High School cefeteria.

Valentine dance scheduled

The Hoopeston PlayCrafters will host a 1940s Valentine's Day dance from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11 at the McFerren Park Civic Center. Don Wolfe and his Big Band Sounds will provide music. Tickets are \$8 per couple, \$5 per person, including dessert and coffee.

John Benjamin, 725 S. Fourth St., reported that someone kicked in his garage door and entered his residence. A VCR and down-filled coat were missing.

Lloyd W. Ravens, 27, of 906 Sells Dr., was arrested at 8:30 a.m. Friday on a warrant for failure to appear on a traffic charge. He was released on \$100 cash bond.

Tamara S. Galloway, 34, of 408 N. Market, turned herself in to police Friday. She was wanted on a warrant for failure to appear on a traffic charge. Galloway was released on \$100 cash bond.

John W. Williams, 18, of 210 E. Thompson, was arrested at 7:30 p.m. Friday, charged with possession of cannabis over 3.5 grams.

Williams was arrested after an incident at 209 S. First Ave. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville by a Vermilion County Sheriff's Department deputy.

The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 2:32 p.m. Saturday to a reported grease fire at 426 N. Eighth Ave. A female resident there was taken to Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Further details were unavailable.

Obituaries

POWERS - Russell Powers, 88, of Minnesota, formerly of the Armstrong-Potomac area, died at 1:35 p.m. Feb. 3, 1995. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Wolfe Funeral Home in Potomac. Burial will be in Partlow Cemetery, Armstrong. Visitation will be held one hour before services at the funeral home,

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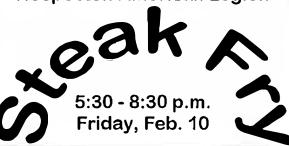
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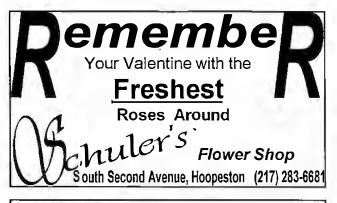
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Some thoughts on the aging process, or happy birthday to me

"You're not getting older, you're getting better."

Hair color commercial

"Women are like wine. The older they get, the better. Of course, some of them turn to vinegar."

"Good grief! Is it time for another birthday already?"

Lourdine



There are some ages in life which are milestones: 16 to drive, 18 to vote, 21 to drink, 65 to retire.

I'm somewhere in between.

I turn 38 this week (Saturday, for anyone who would like to send flowers - or sympathy cards.) And it's an odd place to be.

Although I'm no longer considered wet behind the ears, older people still consider me "a whippersnapper." True whippersnappers - those souls younger than I - think I'm older than dirt.

I'm too old to get carded at the liquor store and too young to get AARP benefits.

My body isn't what it was at 18, but I'm still too young to complain about the aches and pains that are starting.

I'm not young enough to think I have all the answers, but I'm old enough to have forgotten some of the questions.

I'm called "kid" by those who are older and "ma'am" by those younger.

The candles on my cake, while not enough to start a forest fire, certainly cast a glow requiring sunglasses.

There are some good points to "pushing 40" from this side.

The biggest benefit is I'm more comfortable with myself. It's been called "fitting into your skin" by psychologists.

(Of course, that's no big deal since the skin is a little looser than it used to be.)

There is something to be said for this comfortableness.

It's nice to realize I don't have to do it all. The need to be Superwoman is gone.

There is an acceptance of personal flaws - I realize I'm never going to be particularly patient and that's OK - and appreciation for the good qualities.

> It seems like it's easier to know what I want now. Used to be, I'd try things just to see if they were "me." Now that I'm more familiar with who "me" is, there's less need to experiment.

The emotional roller coaster has pretty much ceased to exist. There's something to be said for having lived long enough to know that no matter how badly something hurts, it won't last forever.

That makes it a little easier to take risks, whether they be personal or professional, because even if I fall flat on my face, I know eventually. I'll recover - even if the natural resiliency of youth is long gone.

I'm even becoming set in my ways, which now has a nice ring to it.

Of course, there's still the heart of 17-year-old in me who wonders where the time went and how this gray hair came to be, but my 87-year-old grandmother says the same thing.

For the most part, this getting older thing ain't half bad.

I'll admit it would be nice to be carded just one more time and there are days when I wish I could get by on as little sleep as I used to, but hey, you can't have everything in this life.

It's enough that I'm gaining maturity and, I hope, wisdom.

Now, if you'll excuse me, it's time for my afternoon nap.

Weather



Partly sunny today. High in the lower 20s. Tonight, fair. Low near 5. Tomorrow, variably cloudy. High near 25, low near 10.

Winners in the Hoopeston Music Boosters calendar drawing are:

Jan. 2: HAHS Student Council, Hoopeston - donated back

Jan. 3: Bob & Betty Brown, Hoopeston Jan. 4: Claude Bridgemen, Hoopeston Jan. 5: Paul & Angie Kelnhofer, Wellington Jan. 6: Max Longefellow, Hoopeston Jan. 9: Lew & Lorraine Hott, Hoopeston Jan. 10: Barbara Garner, Hoopeston Jan. 11: Catherine Galloway, Hoopeston Jan. 12: Palmer Bank #6, Hoopeton Jan. 13: Vickie Ellis, Rankin Jan. 14: Betty & Byron Nolan, Hoopeston Jan. 15: Sylvia J. Matthews, Hoopeston Jan. 18: Coffee Cup, Hoopeston

Jan. 19: Classique Sash & Door, Inc., Hoopeston Jan. 20: Country Companies, Hoopeston - donated back

Jan. 23: Marvin & Joan Hofer, Rankin Jan. 24: Bonnie Wood, Watseka Jan. 25: Martha Leigh, Hoopeston Jan. 26: Convenient Food Mart, Hoopeston Jan. 27: Lilan Lee, Hoopeston (\$200) Jan. 30: Beta Sigma Phi - Zete Omicron Sorority, Hoopeston

Jan. 31: Darrell Brown, Hoopeston Feb. 1: Jeff Stipp, Hoopeston Feb. 2: Dave Schippert, Cissna Park Feb. 3: Debbie Dixon, Hoopeston Feb. 6: Rebecca Rigsby, Hoopeston Feb. 7: Wayne King Appraisal, Hoopeston Feb. 8: Don & Pauline Ziebart, Hoopeston Feb. 9: Lisa & Jerry Amore, Rossville, Ind. Feb. 10: Earl Clouse, Hoopeston