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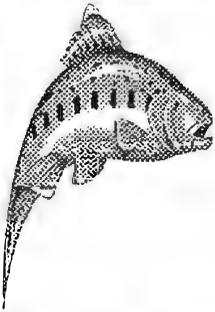
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**Referendum will not affect candidates' votes**

An advisory referendum on the April 4 ballot will probably not have the effect proponents desire.

The referendum will ask whether the Hoopeston city council should allow the Illinois Landfills, Inc. site to expand from 35 acres site to approximately 120 acres, covering a 31-county service area.

However, aldermen voting for the expansion in say if the issue comes before the council again, their decisions will be based on evidence, not public opinion.

Aldermen Bill Goodwine, Drew Allen, Susan Comstock and Odell Crabtree, along with Mayor Bob Ault, voted for the expansion in April 1993.

According to Jim Klaber, president of Citizens Against Ruining the Environment (CARE), an anti-landfill expansion group, the reason for the referendum is simple.

"My whole thing is people were never given an

opportunity in this," Klaber said. "It was slid through."

Alderman say they were following state statute when they voted, not their personal opinions.

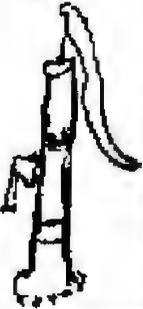
"Who can want a landfill," Goodwine asked. "I took an oath to follow the law and I don't think people, deep down, want the council to become a vigilante group and follow some laws and not others. The law specifically states that we were to vote on the nine criteria and we weren't to add to them or subtract from them."

Allen agreed. "It's not a question for me if I want it or not," he said. "It's a question of legal matters. A man has the right to use his land the way he wants to, as long as he follows the law.

"I'd rather the garbage didn't come from other areas, but it's been proven that landfills can't survive on local business alone."

Comstock would like to talk to people who, she **See REFERENDUM on other side**

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**Museum trip planned**  
The Eastern Illinois Multi Purpose Center is sponsoring a free trip to the Rantoul Aerospace Museum on May 6.  
For more information, contact the EIMPC at (217) 283-9351.

**Neighborhood Watch meeting**  
The second Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, March 27, at the Hoopeston municipal building.

**Enforcement stepped up**  
The Hoopeston police department is cracking down on residents parking on and blocking city sidewalks, according to police chief Orval Kaag.  
Residents are requested to make sure their vehicles do not hinder pedestrians from using sidewalks.

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**Referendum** continued from other side believes, are being misinformed on the referendum and the original vote.

"We had to vote on the evidence," she said. As for the referendum, "it's advisory only. The results should not affect council members' decisions."

Crabtree could not be reached for comment.

Ault, who cast the tie-breaking vote in favor of expansion, said the results of the referendum will not affect any future vote he may have to make.

"I would still base my decision on the facts that were presented," he said. "The bottom line is, I stick to my vote."

Candidates running on an anti-expansion platform could provide future reason for an appeal by ILI, Ault said, because decisions are not to be

made before evidence is seen. "It would give the landfill every right to appeal," he said.

Ault, too, believes people are being misinformed. "I think what (CARE leaders) are trying to do is mislead the people," he said. "They're trying to put it in people's minds that if they vote no, it'll go away. It won't."

While aldermen say they were following the law when deciding, Klaber thinks differently. "I don't buy that a bit," he said. "That's a cop out."

And while he has helped lead the fight, Klaber is bowing out, saying the issue is now up to the people. "There comes a time when they've got to fly away from the nest," he said. "People have been squealing about this for some time. Now it's their chance to do something."

**School menus**



**Hoopeston Area grade schools**

**Mar. 27:** Corn dog, baked beans, slaw, peaches, milk.

**Mar. 28:** Hamburger/bun, french fries, cheese, pickles, fruit cocktail, cake, milk.

**Mar. 29:** Turkey & noodles, potatoes, corn, bread, butter, pears, milk.

**Mar. 30:** Sausage pizza, salad, applesauce, milk.

**Mar. 31:** Fish nuggets, tri tator, slaw, milk, raisins & peanuts, bread, butter, milk.

**Hoopeston Area Jr./Sr. High School**

**Mar. 27:** Corn dog or chicken patty/bun, baked beans, salad, peaches, milk.

**Mar. 28:** Hamburger/bun or hot dog/bun, french fries, cheese, pickles, fruit cocktail, cake, milk.

**Mar. 29:** Turkey & noodles or Z rib/bun, potatoes, corn, roll, pears, milk.

**Mar. 30:** Sausage pizza or hamburger/bun, salad, applesauce, milk.

**Mar. 31:** Fish nuggets or roast beef/bun, tri tator, slaw, milk, raisins & peanuts, bread, butter, milk.

**Police News**



**The Hoopeston Fire Department** was called at 10:41 p.m. Wednesday to assist the Wellington Fire Department.

A house on Route 1 on County Line Road, owned by Mick Farrell, was struck by lightning.

**Shane G. Decker**, 24, of 316 S. Third Ave., was arrested at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday. Decker, wanted on a Champaign County warrant, was released on \$250 cash bond.

**In the hospital**



**Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital**  
March 22, 1995

**Admitted:** none.

**Discharged:** Marvin Sprague, Rankin.

**Weather**



Partly sunny today. High in the upper 50s. Tonight, cloudy. Low in the mid 40s. Tomorrow, evening showers. High near 64, low near 42. Sunday, thunderstorms. High near 55, low near 44.

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