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Three turn in petitions for Hoopeston Area board seats

Three people have filed petitions for the Hoopeston Area school board election.

Deborah Catron and Sharon Roark have filed for in-town seats currently filled by Robert Hatfield and Gary Jett. Edward Layden Jr., current school board president, also filed.

Hatfield and Jett have not turned in nominating petitions, said Betty Richards, the district registrar. A total of six petitions have been

requested, she said.

Board seats are divided into those filled by Hoopeston proper residents and those filled from the outlying area, including Wellington, East Lynn, Cheneyville and Rankin, Richards said. The board has three out-of-town members and four from within Hoopeston.

Candidates have until 5 p.m. Aug. 21 to file petitions for the Nov. 7 election.

Reporting injuries early can save workers much pain

Editor's Note: The following column was written by Hoopeston attorneys Calvin Hultquist and Kate Giffin. Columns will run as space allows.

When someone is injured on the job, they must file a claim with the Illinois Industrial Commission within three years of the accident or two years after weekly disability benefits are cut off by your employer. These deadlines are referred to as the "statute of limitations."

There is an even more important deadline employees must meet to have a valid worker's comp claim. When an employee is injured, he must notify his employer within 45 days or he could lose his claim. This deadline is extremely important!

The arbitrator may try to give the worker every benefit of the doubt, but why risk it? Whenever you have been injured, inform your employer in writing immediately.

Time is of the essence. Let's say you pull a muscle in your back on Friday but you don't tell your

employer. Then, on Sunday when you try to mow the lawn, you experience excruciating pain. If you haven't reported the initial injury to your employer, your employer may be able to avoid his

obligations by blaming it on your weekend activities.

Here's the point: sure, you hate to "get legal" with your employer, but when your employer gets hit with a \$10,000 claim, you can bet she will get legal with you. Protect yourself as

soon as an accident happens.

Also, seek immediate legal advice from your attorney. A good percentage of workers who come into a lawyer's office have either been misled as to their rights or simply misunderstand their rights. Only your lawyer will be sure to give you an unbiased opinion.

We will respond to reader mail. Address inquiries to Just the Facts, P.O. Box 441, Hoopeston, IL. 60942.

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Briefly

Pool to remain open

The Hoopeston swimming pool will remain open through Aug. 27.

Alderman Mike Eckersley, chairman of the city's parks committee, said at the Aug. 15 city council meeting that the pool would close Aug. 22 unless the weather stayed warm and enough high school students could be found to work as lifeguards.

Classes to start

Classes at Hoopeston Area schools will begin Friday morning, ending at 11 a.m. for elementary students and 11:30 for middle and high school students.

Next week, grade schools will dismiss at 1:10 and older students will be released at 1:30.

Students will resume normal class schedules on Tuesday, Sept. 5.



Court dispositions



Aug. 3: Robert Judy, driving on suspension, no insurance, no valid registration, expired sticker, pleaded not guilty. Pretrial set Nov. 6, trial Nov. 18.

Donald W. Wagoner, driving on suspension, no lights, pleaded not guilty. Trial Nov. 18.

Patricia Beeson, no valid drivers license, no insurance, speeding, failed to appear, rule to show cause issued. Forfeited \$100 bond.

Julie Carl, failure to yield, paid in full.

Barry Conrad, speeding, \$95.

Terry Williams, paid \$45, owes \$95. Continued to Sept. 7.

Ubido Cruz, no valid driver's license, nolle

pros.

Nikki Dunavan, too fast for conditions, pleaded guilty; \$95 total, three months court supervision.

Darla Finley, speeding, \$95 total, three months court supervision.

Maria Furlong, no insurance, speeding, nolle pros; no insurance, speeding, \$95 total.

Brent Johnson, illegal transportation, passenger, pleaded guilty, \$75 total.

Daniel Maxwell, illegal squealing, paid in full.

Erin Mills, no seatbelt, paid in full.

Hilario Palomo, no valid drivers license, \$50 and costs; no insurance, \$500 and costs; suspended registration for no insurance, \$1,000 and costs; no valid driver's license, \$100 and costs; speeding, \$100 and costs; drivers license not on person, \$95.

Police News



Jerry L. Davis, 37, of Chicago, was ticketed for improper backing after the 1989 Freightliner semi he was backing struck a street sign and pole.

The accident occurred at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Fourth Ave. and West Main.

Mary E. Law, Hoopeston, reported Wednesday that someone shot a hole in the front plate glass window of 204 E. Main.

William R. Milburn, 38, of 505 N. Eighth Ave. was arrested at 9:56 a.m. Wednesday, charged with home invasion, domestic battery and criminal trespass to property on a complaint from Jenny L. Schramm, 626 S. Fifth St. Milburn was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

In the hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

Aug. 22, 1995

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Esther Page, Hoopeston.

Weather



Mostly sunny and warm today. High near 90. Tonight, fair. Low in the upper 60s. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High near 94, low near 65.

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