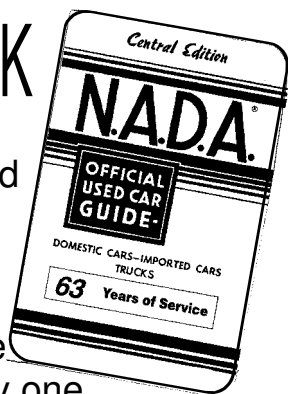


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Heavy equipment moves in as Main St. sidewalk goes out

Motorists are being asked to avoid the 200 block of East Main St. while sidewalk construction is underway.

Work on the sidewalk on the south side of the street began Monday, as city workers broke concrete into chunks and CIPS workers relocated street lights in the block.

The number of workers and large equipment, coupled with traffic, made for an interesting day, said Dave Knake, street/alley superintendent.

The block is closed to westbound traffic during construction, Knake said. Police were called in early in the day to direct traffic, even though the west end of the block is barricaded.

Parking is still permitted on the block. "I'm allowing

them to park as long as they stay out of our way," Knake said.

The project, estimated to cost \$20,000 will consist of replacing and narrowing the walk from 15 to 10 feet. Funds for the project will come from the city and donations from business owners in the block.

Work is expected to last approximately two weeks. "I'm hoping within a couple weeks, we'll have things tidied up," Knake said.

Meanwhile, merchants, shoppers and motorists will have to deal with one way traffic and fewer parking spots. "A project like this is an inconvenience for everybody," Knake said. "You just have to deal with it."

Sidewalks on the north side will be done next year.

Rain, falling leaves, snow make for profitable business venture

Most people saw last week's rains as a miserable weather experience to be endured, but Matthew Morgan saw things a little differently.

"The rain has been great," said Morgan, owner of the new Morgan Lawn Care. "It's really greened things up. Fall's going to come whether it's now or later. It's just how many mowings are between now and then."

Morgan took over the lawn care business formerly owned by Dave Gaddis. The change, effective Sept. 1, has kept Morgan mowing...and rolling, and spraying and trimming.

Morgan Lawn Care handles everything from tiny yards to large corporate accounts. "No job is too big or too small," he said.

Morgan, a former short-haul truck driver for Stan Swartz of Wellington, had planned to work at both jobs, but found himself short of time. "I tried every way in the world to stay with him, too," he said.

Morgan Lawn Care currently has two additional employees and 65 customers, but Morgan hopes the business grows enough to add more. "You can't get too big," he said.

"The more the better - I can always hire more people."

Heading into autumn, Morgan said the business will focus more on fall yard clean-up. The winter months will keep Morgan and his workers busy with snow removal.

The business is sort of a family affair. Morgan handles the outdoor aspect of the business, his wife, Gina, handles the indoor things like keeping track of accounts.

The new business is challenging and fun for its new owner. "I like working for myself and I like working with the people," Morgan said.

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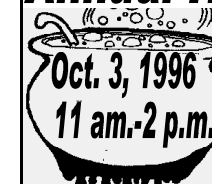
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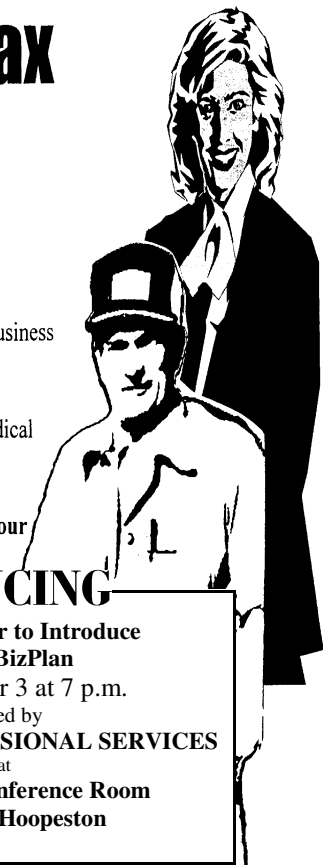
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Meet the candidates

Republican candidates in the November election
will be at a "Meet the Candidates Night" at 7 p.m.
Wednesday at the Hoopeston American Legion, 324
W. Main.

Scheduled to attend are: State Sen. Bill Black,
Judge Rita Garman, Coroner Lyle Irwin, Judge Dale
Cini, Recorder Judi Myer, stand-in auditor Rocky
Jolley and county board candidates Tim Drollinger
and Keith Allen.

All area residents are invited to attend and meet the
candidates.

Refreshments will be served.

Heating assistance offered

Community Action Program will be at the
Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave., from 9
a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 15 to complete applications for
the heating program for senior citizens, the disabled
or those facing disconnections.

Verification needed include copies of gross income
from all household members for the past 30 days,
Social Security cards for all household members,
proof of rent, most recent electric and gas bills and,
for those on AFDC, a medical eligibility card.

The general public may apply for heating

assistance from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 13.

To schedule an appointment at a different time, or
more information, call the Multi Agency at (217)
283-5544.

Lady Bird supper

The Rossville Legion Auxiliary will hold a Lady
Bird supper at 6 p.m. Oct. 8.

The supper is comparable to the Legion's Early
Bird supper for members paying their dues early.

9 Pin tournament set

Parkview Lanes will host a team 9 Pin tournament
on Oct. 4. Five-person teams will compete at 1:30
and 4 p.m. Entry fee is \$75 per team with a \$25
deposit to reserve a spot.

For more information, call Chuck Smallwood at
(217) 283-7231 or Parkview Lanes, 283-5195.

Homecoming hog roast set

The Hoopeston Area Sports Boosters will have its
annual hog roast at Friday's football game against
Peotone.

Serving will begin at 5 p.m. The menu includes a
pork barbeque sandwich and potato chips for \$3.

Proceeds will be used for Booster projects.

In the Hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

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Admitted: none.

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Admitted: Evelyn Holt, Ethel Crawford and Del
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Discharged: Elizabeth Finley, Adeline Emrick and
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Sept. 28, 1996

Admitted: Deanna Smith, Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Sept. 29, 1996

Admitted: none.

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Weather

Mostly sunny today. High near 80. Tonight, clear.
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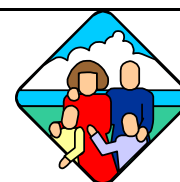
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