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Rossville-Alvin considers combining sixth grade classes

ROSSVILLE—The Rossville-Alvin school board is considering a plan which would make one sixth grade class next year.

The proposal was discussed at Monday's district school board meeting.

Currently, 24 students are in the class which will be sixth graders next year, said Superintendent Phil Smith.

The board is studying whether to combine both classes into one, cutting the cost of a teacher, despite parent comments criticizing the proposal, Smith said.

A combined class, program cuts, as well as a decision last month to hire a high school principal next year, were criticized by parents and teachers at Monday's meeting

Recent cuts have included a scaled-back art program, offered in grades six through 12; reduction of a full-time librarian to one hour per day, the elimination of a Title 1 teacher, eliminating a \$10,000 matching grant for an accelerated reading program and the honorable dismissal of two teachers at the end of this school year.

In other business, the board accepted the resignation of board member Steve Winegardner. Winegardner cited personal reasons in his resignation, which is effective immediately.

Anyone interested in filling the remainder of Winegardner's term, which expires in November, should send a

Briefly

Sports Booster meeting

The Hoopeston Area All Sports Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 23 in the high school cafeteria. Use the back entrance.
 The public is invited.

Celebration '97

The Vermilion Festival Chorus, directed by Dr. Richard Zielinski, will present Celebration '97 at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 4 at St. James United Methodist Church, Danville.
 The theme is "Hymns Triumphant," and the program will feature guest soloist Justin Vickers, organ selections by David Schroeder and an audience sing-along.
 Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens.

Prom candidates

Five Hoopeston Area young men and women have been named king and queen candidates for prom.
 King candidates are Chad Bruens, Bryan Langdoc,

Matthew Smiley, Ramon Solis and Todd Warf.
 Queen candidates are Kari Bartmess, Marissa Bushue, Amber Garrison, Esther McQuigg and Katie Ryder.
 The king and queen will be crowned at prom, scheduled this Friday at Honeywell School.
 The theme for this year's event is "We've Got Tonight."

Rescheduled meeting

The meeting for the Hoopeston history book, originally scheduled for Thursday, has been changed to May 15. The time and place will be announced at a later date.

Preschool screening

A screening for the CARE preschool program will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday at the Presbyterian Church, 915 E. Orange.
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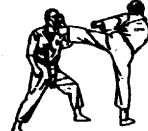


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Rossville village board approves committee appointments, sets animal control limits

ROSSVILLE—Village committee appointments were approved by the Rossville village board at its meeting Monday night.

Trustees and their committees include:

Mick Braddock: gas (chairman), public improvements, finance/purchasing.

Bill Galloway: water/sewer (chairman), streets/alleys, finance/purchasing.

Tom Mills: finance/purchasing (chairman), water/sewer, public improvements.

Chuck Cornell: health/safety (chairman), streets/alleys, water/sewer.

Richard Kiser: streets/alleys (chairman), gas, health/

safety.

Jon Witvoet: public improvements (chairman), health/safety, gas.

In other action:

Mayor Merv Smith said the village humane officer will only be on duty Friday through Sunday. On other days, animal control services will be provided for animals which are vicious or a hazard to children, Smith said.

The humane officer's schedule will change in a few weeks, Smith said, adding changes will be posted at the village office and announced in local media.

approved changing wording on gas bills to reflect

usage in therms rather than units. The change means gas bills will reflect wording in the village ordinance on the issue.

village clean-up days were changed to May 29-31.

trustees approved a request from Naomi Freeman of the Rossville Merchants Association for Labor Day,

Aerobics & Strength Training
Mon., Wed., Thurs.
5:30-6:30 p.m.
403 E. Main, Hoopeston
283-5715



Police News



Weekend damage cases solved

Two young girls are responsible for weekend damage to a house, fence and car, according to police.

The two girls used lipstick and nail polish to put smiley faces and other graffiti on a car at 624 E. McCracken and a house at 639 E. McCracken.

The damage was reported Saturday.

Court Dispositions



April 3: Brandon Shipman, Hoopeston, paid in full.

David Trevino, Hoopeston, paid in full.

Floyd VanVickle, Hoopeston, completed 155 hours public service work.

See RA on other side

RA continued from other side

letter of interest to board secretary Donna White, Rossville-Alvin High School, 350 N. Chicago, Rossville, IL, 60963.

The board also:

□ accepted resignation from volleyball coach Nancy Cox and grade school cheerleading sponsors Greta Smith and Ellen Glover.

□ approved agriculture students farming between two

In other police news, Edward Cordova, 18, of 319 N. Sixth Ave., was arrested at 12:53 a.m. Tuesday in the 300 block of East Lincoln.

Cordova, charged with failure to appear on a traffic

Obituaries

WAGONER - Mary Louise Wagoner, 68, of Ambia, Ind., died at 6:28 a.m. Tuesday, April 22 at Transitional Hospital Corporation, Greenwood, Ind. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to the Chestnut Street Church of Christ, Hoopeston.

In the hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

April 21, 1997

Admitted: Lucy Cross, Hoopeston.

Discharged: Joan Baker, Hoopeston.

Weather



Mostly cloudy today. High in the mid 50s. Tonight, cloudy. Low in the upper 30s. Tomorrow, continued cloudy. High near 55, low near 37.

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