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Grand opening planned by new operators of bowling alley

A hobby led to a new business venture for a Hoopeston couple.

On March 1. Phil and Teresa Cox took over management of Parkview Lanes bowling alley and the Open Alley Restaurant.

This Saturday the couple will host a grand opening at the bowling alley and restaurant, offering door prizes all day, special bowling rates, an appearance by Randy Jones of WHPO, Rock & Bowl with deejay Smokin Timber and food and drink specials.

The event begins at 8 a.m. and will last until midnight.

It was the bowling that got Cox, a truck driver and race car driver, and his wife, interested in owning the business.

"We like coming out here to bowl," Mrs. Cox said. "It's a cheaper hobby than racing," Mr. Cox added.

The couple has made some changes at the business and more are planned.

Rock & Bowl, a mixture of bowling and rock music, is planned once each month. New items, including sandwiches, were added to the restaurant menu, which had featured predominantly pizzas.

See BOWLING on other side

Briefly

Correction

It was incorrectly reported in Wednesday's edition that Hoopeston Area's prom is Friday. Prom is actually Saturday.

Just the Facts regrets the error.

Allev clean-up

Hoopeston city workers will begin alley clean-up on May 5, weather permitting.

Street and alley department workers will only pick up old lumber, yard waste and small portions of cement.

B&PW winners

This month's winners in the Hoopeston Business & Professional Women's drawing are: Gary Shore, Hoopeston, \$25; Eric Shore, Hoopeston, \$15; and Shirley Moore, Wellington, \$10.

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.

For an appointment, call Betty Richards at (217) 283-6668. Shot records and Social Security cards must be taken to the appointment.

Fireworks collection

The Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce will hold its fireworks collection Friday and Saturday, said event coordinator Sara Rhodes.

Collections will take place from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the intersections of Main and Market, Main and Penn and Routes 1 and 9.

Approximately \$5,000 is needed for the July 4 fireworks. Rhodes said.

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Bowling continued from other side

Future changes include a 10-week summer youth bowling league open to all children. "We'll do something for all ages," Mr. Cox said. "I'd go clear down to 'if you can hold a ball.""

A 9-pin adult league is also slated for the summer, as is daily open bowling. "The bowling alley's going to be here so we might as well be open if people want to bowl," Mr. Cox said.

The couple also plan to offer "rent-a-lane" bowling beginning this summer, allowing bowlers to pay for a lane for a specified time, rather than on a per-game

Renting the alley for birthday parties or other special events is also available with at least one week's notice, Mr. Cox said.

From a mechanical aspect, a new lighting system is planned for weekend night bowling.

The alleys will be closed for a week this summer



DANCE

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so that lanes may be resanded and coated and the couple has purchased a Phoenix automatic lane stripper and oiler, expected to be in place before next fall's season begins.

That machine will eliminate variations in lane conditions and problems associated with those changes. "They'll be done the same way all the time," Mr. Cox said.

New pins, along with the other changes, are designed to keep current bowlers coming back and perhaps draw former bowlers back to the alley.

The couple said they have been well-received in their new venture. "There's a lot of good people who

Police News



Maggie Brown, 716 E. Main, reported Tuesday that someone took a girl's 26-inch Roadmaster mountain climber bicycle from her garage. The bicycle is pink with pink handlebars and is valued at

In the hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital April 22, 1997

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Weather



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come out to this place to bowl," Mr. Cox said. "We'd just like to say thank you to them."

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