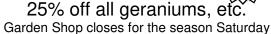


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Interest in cars leads Chicago man to Hoopeston business

A Chicago man's interest in car repair has led him from the big city to Hoopeston.

Tony Castellano, 46, was recently named assistant manager at Neal Tire in Hoopeston.

"This is the other side of the planet, as far as I'm concerned," Castellano said of his move, "It's a different atmosphere, more laid back and friendlier."

Before coming to Neal, Castellano was service manager of Total Tire in Elk Grove Village, a Chicago suburb.

Castellano's interest in cars goes back more than 30 years. A man who lived in his neighborhood worked on

cars and Castellano began to help.

"I've been doing this since I was 10," he said. "I started tinkering with a 1960 Falcon six-cylinder. When I was 12, I took out the engine, tore it down and rebuilt it in the same day. Of course I didn't do it all by myself because I was only 12."

He has also spent 15 years working for Shell Corporation and was employed by a school bus company before becoming service manager.

Many of Castellano's hobbies revolve around cars. He custom builds model cars and spent three years drag

See CARS on other side

Rossville officials, trash haulers, EPA work on burning issue

ROSSVILLE—A burning issue is expected to be resolved in the next 30 days.

Village officials, along with local refuse collectors and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency are working together to help the village comply with EPA requirements on refuse burning, said Mayor Merv Smith.

A problem has been caused by some residents burning refuse, Smith said. Other residents have complained to village officials and have threatened

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to go to the EPA.

Part of the problem, Smith said, is that some residents' refuse is picked up bi-weekly rather than weekly, causing those residents to burn items other than paper or landscape waste.

While the groups work together, burning restrictions will be eased in the village, although residents are asked to observe the 6 a.m.-6 p.m. burning limit.

Residents with questions should call the village

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Hoopeston man charged with exposing himself in Watseka

WATSEKA—A Hoopeston man was arrested after police say he exposed himself to local females.

John H. Bell, 18, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 2:12 p. m. Wednesday in Hoopeston on an Iroquois County warrant.

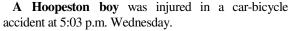
Bell, who was taken to Watseka, is charged with two counts of sexual exploitation of a child and two counts of public indecency, said Sergeant Don King of the Watseka Police Department. Both charges are misdemeanors.

King said Bell was arrested in connection with "ten or eleven" recent reports of a man exposing himself to women and girls in and around Watseka.

Witnesses provided police with license plate information that led to Bell's arrest, he said.

Bell was released on ten percent of \$5,000 bond.

Police News



Aaron Burt of 722 E. Penn, was treated at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital after his bicycle hit a 1993 Ford Escort driven by Robert R. Bridgman, 503 N. Seventh Ave.

Police said Bridgman was backing from a driveway at 317 W. Main. Bridgman told police that he stopped his car and Burt, looking at another cyclist, ran into him.

No tickets were issued.

A purple and blue boy's Roadmaster Ultra Force bicycle was found Thursday at Hoopeston Area High School. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Joe B. Gonzalez, 522 N. Third St., reported Thursday

Cars continued from other side

racing. He also enjoys jet car racing.

Hobbies not connected to auto mechanics include scuba diving and karate, in which he holds a black belt.

Joke-telling is also high on his list of things to do. "I think I've got a good sense of humor," he said.

Castellano is currently living in Crescent City but he and his wife, Candy, plan to move to Hoopeston in the near future.

The couple has four children, Tony Jr., 25; Dawn, 22, Gino, 16 and Mario, who was killed in a car accident in 1989.

It was his sense of humor that got him through that time, as well as other difficult times. "If I didn't laugh about things, I'd go crazy," he said. "I laugh a lot, have fun.

"This is going to be a lot of fun."

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Cindy S. Shank, 40, of East Lynn, turned herself in to police at 12 p.m. Thursday. Shank, wanted on a criminal misdemeanor warrant, was released on \$207 bond.

Obituaries

ANDERSON - James V. Anderson, 57, of Goshen, Ark., formerly of the Hoopeston area, died at 12:10 a.m. Wednesday, June 11, 1997 at McClellan Memorial Veterans Administration Hospital in Little Rock. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Sunday at Drummer Township Cemetery, Gibson City. Visitation will be private. The Lamb Funeral Home in Gibson City was in charge of arrangements.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital June 11, 1997

Admitted: Helen Bell, Alice Hardwick and Bennie Blankenship, all of Hoopeston.

Discharged: Thomas Clark and Geneva Kaye, Hoopeston.

Weather



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