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Thursday, July 3, 1997 Hoopeston's only locally-owned daily news publication!

Area communities schedule fireworks, other holiday events

Fans of fireworks will get their fill this weekend as area communities celebrate Independence Day.

In Hoopeston, fireworks will begin at dark at McFerren Park. Admission is free, with plenty of seating available in the grandstands.

gone to the Chicago area.

return home Friday.

Hoopeston's fireworks are sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, which holds fundraisers during the year to pay for the display.

Fireworks are a small part of events planned Friday through Sunday in Rankin, celebrating its 125th anniversary as a community.

Rosie, a dachshund owned by Wilma and Harold

Cox of Hoopeston, has spent the last week in

Libertyville, a Chicago suburb, and is expected to

Rosie's adventure began last Sunday when her

The couple went to the cemetery at about 6:30 p.

m., and, as is their habit, let the dog out of the car. A

few minutes later, when Mrs. Cox called the dog,

The couple spent three hours looking for Rosie,

then started again Monday. They had the

disappearance announced on WHPO radio and put

It is through those announcements that the couple

Rosie was picked up at the cemetery by a man with

an announcement on Hoopeston Cable's channel 4.

owners took her to Floral Hill Cemetery.

Rosie was nowhere to be found.

will get their dog back.

Doggone story expected to have happy ending Friday

This is a doggone story - or rather, a story of a dog Hoopeston ties, Mrs. Cox said.

begin Saturday at dusk.

drawings.

The man, Danny Allison, found the dog in the cemetery and, thinking she was homeless, picked her up.

Rossville will also offer pyrotechnics this year.

The village is also holding its annual antique fair

Sponsored by the Rossville Parks board, fireworks will

Allison told family members in Hoopeston that he found the dog and took Rosie home with him.

It was not until Allison's mother, Dorothy, heard of Rosie's disappearance that she realized her son found the couple's dog.

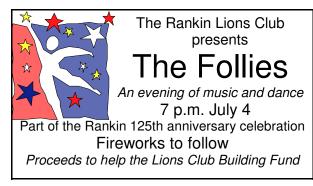
Mrs. Allison contacted her son, who plans to return Rosie on Friday.

Although she knows Rosie is coming home, Mrs. Cox is still worried. "I'm emotionally sick," she said. "It's like a baby missing."

Three-year-old Rosie is truly like a family member, Mrs. Cox said. "She slept with me, she waited in the morning for me to get up. She didn't get out of bed until I did."

See DOG on other side

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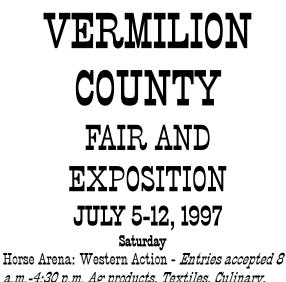




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Grandstand:	Stock Car Races	7 p.
m.		
	(Time trials 6 p.m.)	
Horse Arena:	Society Horse Show	5 p.m.
	Monday	
Grandstand:	Queen Contest	8 p.m.
	Tuesday	
Grandstand:	Baby Contest	6 p.
m.	·	
Grandstand:	Talent Contest	8 p.m.
	Wednesday	-
Grandstand:	ITPA Sanctioned Tractor Pul	l 7 p.
m.		-
Horse Arena:	4-H Pony Show 2 & 6	:30 p.m.
	Thursday	-
Grandstand:	Decatur Park Singers	7:30 p.
m.	-	-
Horse Arena:	Junior Horse Show 6	:30 p.m.
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Police News

Cathryn A. Baird, 42, of 101 E. Seminary, Danville, was arrested at 4:47 p.m. Tuesday in the 700 block of East Thompson, charged with improper lane usage and disorderly conduct.

Police said Baird was charged on a complaint from Pam Morgeson, 123 W. Attica, Rossville.

Water pumping station to be expanded, sidewalk work done

Hoopeston's water pumping station will undergo expansion this year.

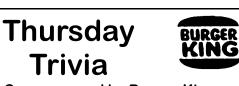
At Tuesday's city council meeting, Alderman Drew Allen said bids will be sought on expanding the concrete structure on West Penn St.

The expansion is necessary, Allen said, both because more room is needed and also because chlorine and fluoride stored in the building are corroding electrical systems in the building.

In other business, Alderman Mark Drollinger reported construction on the north sidewalk in the 200 block of East Main was finished Tuesday.

Only two major problems occurred during construction: a water main cut and a sink hole that appeared Monday and was filled Tuesday.

Drollinger also reported that street lights had been put up on Route 9.



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A boy's 10-speed Western Flyer bicycle was found Wednesday in the 400 block of West Washington. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

In unrelated action, the council:

□approved rezoning 528 E. Young from R2 residential to R3 multi family residential. Red and Helen Reed requested the change to construct an apartment in their garage.

□approved an appropriations ordinance for approximately \$6.8 million, nearly \$158,000 more than the budget. Alderman Bill Goodwine said the appropriations ordinance contains contingency fees not included in the budget.

□approved Marion Ervin as a fireman.

Dog continued from other side

Mrs. Cox believes there may have been divine intervention in bringing her dog home. "I prayed for a miracle," she said. "I think this is a miracle. I"ll tell you something. I'm not taking her back to that cemetery for nothing."

And although she knows Rosie is coming home, Mrs. Cox is still not comforted. "I won't feel lucky until I have her in my house again," she said.

In the hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital July 1, 1997

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Leona Allison, Hoopeston.

Weather

Partly sunny today. High in the mid 80s. Tonight, clear. Low in the mid 60s. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High near 77, low near 58.





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