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Chamber to host speaker from Rural Development Agency

A representative of the Farmer's Home Administration's Rural Development Agency will be the featured speaker at the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce September meeting.

Sheldon Keyser will talk about programs offered to rural towns for business and community development under the Rural Partners program

The program assists businesses and communities get support money and/or expertise for economic and social development.

The federal government formed Rural Partners to

strengthen rural communities and aid them in maintaining their identities.

The meeting is open to anyone in the area interested in obtaining information on the program. It will be held at noon Sept. 10 at the Chamber of Commerce office on the second floor of the Palmer Bank Building.

Cost for the luncheon program is \$5 per person. Reservations must be turned in by Tuesday, Sept. 9.

Those interested in making reservations or who wish more information may call Judi Benjamin at the Chamber office, (217) 283-7873.

Briefly

Rossville Area seniors to meet

The Rossville Area Senior Citizens will meet at noon Monday, Sept. 8 at the Rossville Church of Christ for a potluck luncheon. Blood pressures will be taken before the meal.

Deputy William Cottrell of the Vermilion County Sheriff's Department will present the program.

All area seniors are invited to bring a covered dish and participate.

Neighborhood Watch meetings set

The Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch will meet at 7 p.m. Sept. 8 at the Hoopeston municipal building. The topic will be "Preventing Residential Burglary."

All Hoopeston residents are encouraged to attend.

The Rossville Neighborhood Watch will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11 at the village office.

This is the group's second meeting. All residents are invited to attend.

CIC scheduled

The Hoopeston Community Involvement Committee will meet at noon Monday in Crunch's meeting room.

Lot to be put on market

A vacant lot on Main St. will be put up for sale.

The lot, located between Global Fashions and Rhonda's Baskets, was to be sold by sealed bid, with a minimum price of \$3,600. However, no bids were received on the property.

The city's finance committee on Tuesday approved selling the property without bids. The price on the property will remain at \$3,600, said Alderman Bill Goodwine, finance committee chairman.

The lot was appraised at that amount by Danville appraiser Ken Cunningham. "It wouldn't be fair to the taxpayers to sell it for less if we can get that for it," Goodwine said.

Police News



Ron Lewis reported Wednesday that someone broke into Maple School, 500 S. Fourth St.

Mary Cunningham, 425 S. Market, reported Wednesday that someone broke a window at her home.

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Letter to the Editor

Editor:

Boys, do you realize how fortunate you are to be alive today?

I witnessed your dangerous behavior Monday night, Sept. 1 in downtown Hoopeston. Do you realize that only by inches did I miss hitting both of you with the pick-up truck I was driving?

As I was pulling from the alley between Ted's and the railroad tracks, you ran directly in front of me, not even realizing I was so close to you. Had I not heard the train's whistle and applied my brakes just as I was easing out of the alley, I would not have been able to stop in time to avoid hitting you. Even more disturbing, however, is that neither of you seemed to realize the close encounter you just had. You continued your run to beat the train that was bearing down upon the intersection. Panicking and fearing that you didn't realize how near the train was, I could only pray "Please God, get them across." Flashes went through my mind

of one of you tripping as you ran across the tracks resulting in a horrendous tragedy. Thankfully, neither of you fell, but you missed being hit by the train by only a couple of seconds.

Again, oblivious to the trail of danger you were leaving behind, you continued your run downtown. After the train passed, I continued downtown to complete my deliveries. I heard laughing and talking coming from the Downtown Motel area and saw you running across the second floor balcony, then down the motel stairs. You then ambled east on Main Street, then north on Market. My assumption is you were on your way home and got there safely.

These incidents took place between 10:15 and 10:30 p.m. You looked to be about sixth or seventh graders. While your behavior may not have been essentially wrong, I hope you realize that it was inherently dangerous. Do your parents realize how fortunate it is that the two of you returned home safely instead of

receiving a phone call from a police officer of what could have been a tragedy?

Please think when you are out with your friends. Having fun does not mean taking chances with your life. It would not have been fun if you had been hit by my truck or the train. Think about the consequences of your actions before you end up a tragedy.

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Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Z rib/bun, oven tator tots, slaw, orange.

TUESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, applesauce.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken patty/bun, oven tri tator, cheese stick, fruit cocktail, cookie.

THURSDAY: Spaghetti/meat sauce, salad, corn, bread, margarine, peaches.

FRIDAY: Corn dog, oven fries, bread, margarine, pears.

Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

MONDAY: Z rib/bun or tuna salad, oven tator tots, slaw, orange.

TUESDAY: Sausage pizza or ham & cheese/bun, salad, applesauce.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken patty/bun or hot dog/bun, oven tri tator, green beans, fruit cocktail, cookie.

THURSDAY: Spaghetti/meat sauce or roast beef/bun, salad, corn, roll, margarine, peaches.

FRIDAY: Corn dog or baked chicken, oven fries, bread, margarine, peas, pears.

Rossville-Alvin schools

MONDAY: Hamburger/bun, potato wedges, buttered peas, cake w/strawberries.

TUESDAY: Pizza, salad, orange

WEDNESDAY: Pony shoe, banana, peanut butter bar.

THURSDAY: Turkey & noodles, mashed potatoes, gravy, chilled peaches, chocolate cake.

FRIDAY: Chili mac, seasoned carrots, cheese slice, pretzel sticks, chiled pears, (K-5 Lucky Tray Day).

All meals include milk

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

Sept. 3, 1997

Admitted: Carl Weber, Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High near 75. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low near 45. Tomorrow, partly sunny. High in the upper 70s, low in the low 50s. Sunday, partly cloudy. High near 80, low near 60

Classifieds

GARAGE SALES

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