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Rossville to hire third full time officer with federal grant

ROSSVILLE—A third full time officer will join the Rossville Police Department soon thanks to a federal grant program.

The village was approved for a three year \$130,957 COPS FAST grant, said police chief Paul Dewitt. The grant will cover the salary of one full time and three part time officers.

The grant will allow the village to have 24 hour police protection seven days a week, said trustee Chuck Cornell, chairman of the village health and safety committee.

Although a full time officer has not been named, Dewitt said he will recommend the position be filled by officer Tim Beckley, currently working part time.

Beckley would join Dewitt and Jim Dewitt as full time officers while officers Tim Steward, Kristi Dewitt, Mark Goudy and Jim Goodrum would continue to provide

part time coverage when full time officers are off-duty, on vacation, sick or attending training classes.

Dewitt was notified in June that the grant would be forthcoming. It was then that 24 hour coverage was implemented in the village, he said.

Since then, officers have been available to solve more crimes and prevent some crimes from happening, he said

For example, from January 1-May 31 of this year, police handled four criminal damage incidents. The number of incidents from June 1 to Oct. 21 dropped to two. Six theft of property incidents were handled in the first six

months of 1998 but the number dropped to two in the last five months. Four retail thefts were reported in January to May but there have been none since June, Dewitt said.

Compton's Bar & Grill set to open today in Hoopeston

If you're looking for a good time – and a good meal – Hoopeston has a new place for you.

Compton's Bar & Grill is scheduled to open Friday at 225 E. Main.

The new eatery will feature a full lunch and dinner menu, including prime rib and steak, and will be "like a Ruby Tuesday or TGI Friday," said owner Ron King.

King, owner of King Chrysler, plans to occasionally be behind the bar while Hoopeston resident Steve Compton will be responsible for what happens in the kitchen. "Steve's a great cook," King said. "It's phenomenal."

Compton's Bar & Grill will, for the time being, be in what was formerly Crunch's. However, King and

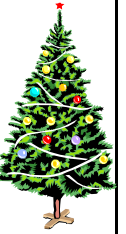
Compton plan to expand the business into part of what is now the Resale Mart. That portion of the restaurant, which is scheduled to open Dec. 1, will include a 100" television, fireplace, pool table, games and conference area, King said. "It'll be neat," he said.

When both portions of the restaurant are open, it will accommodate approximately 250 people.

King took ownership of the building Oct. 3 and he and Compton have been renovating and remodeling since.

While the interior will be new, many of the same faces who served diners at Crunch's will continue to serve patrons at Compton's. "We have all the employees," King said.

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 MONDAY: Fish nuggets, tri tator, veggie sticks, bread, oleo, pineapple milk.
 TUESDAY: Corn dog, fries, salad, bread, oleo, peaches, milk.
 WEDNESDAY: Beef & noodles, whipped potatoes, green beans, bread, oleo, pears, milk.
 THURSDAY: Chicken patty/bun, tator tots, cheese, fruit cocktail, graham cracker, milk.
 FRIDAY: Chili/crackers, peanut butter sandwich, veggie sticks, orange, cookie, milk.

See OFFICER on other side

Officer continued from other side

More officers has allowed greater investigation, leading to increases in some arrests. Four drug arrests were made from January to May. The number increased to 13 in the last five months, he said. "A lot of people think Rossville doesn't have a drug problem or that it's just pot," Dewitt said. "That's not true," he said, displaying a bag of cocaine and a straw that were confiscated as evidence.

Increased arrests will not only make Rossville safer, but will increase the amount of fine money

Police News 

Jeffrey Uppinghouse, #41 Parkview Court, reported Tuesday that someone cut two tires on his 1992 Hyundai while it was parked at his home.

Brian C. Beaty, 22, of 704 W. Lincoln, turned himself in to police at 5 p.m. Wednesday. Beaty, wanted on two warrants, was released on \$295 cash bond.

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Lunch Menus


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 TUESDAY: Corn dog or hamburger/bun, corn, salad, bread, butter, peaches, milk.
 WEDNESDAY: Roast beef or Z rib/bun, whipped potatoes, green beans, roll, oleo, pears, milk.
 THURSDAY: Chicken patty/bun or sub/bun, tator tots, cheese, fruit cocktail, cookie, milk.
 FRIDAY: Chili/crackers or vegetable soup, toasted cheese, veggie sticks, orange, cookie, milk.

going into city coffers. Between January and May, the village received \$5,866 in fines; the total since June is \$6,217.


Revenue from fines is not the reason for increased police activity however. "We're not out there to get fine money," Dewitt said. "We want to make Ross-

Obituaries

LARKIN – Jessie A. Larkin, 72, of Rankin, died at 11:35 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1998, at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Wolfe Funeral Home, Rankin. Burial will be in Rankin Union Cemetery. Visitation will be 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Friday at the Funeral Home.


In the Hospital 

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Oct. 21
Admitted: Howard Dahlquist, Milford; Donna Van-Vickle, Hoopeston.
Discharged: John Elson.

Weather 

Sunny today. High 64. Tonight, clear. Low 40. Tomorrow and Sunday, sunny. Highs near 68, lows near 43.

For current weather conditions, call the **Hoopeston Weather Line** at (217) 283-6221.



Rossville-Alvin schools
 MONDAY: Fish sticks, fries, carrot sticks, pineapple, milk.
 TUESDAY: Pizza Hut, salad, blueberry crisp, milk.
 WEDNESDAY: Ham/mac & cheese, mixed fruit, green beans, bread, butter, milk.
 THURSDAY: Pork BBQ/

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