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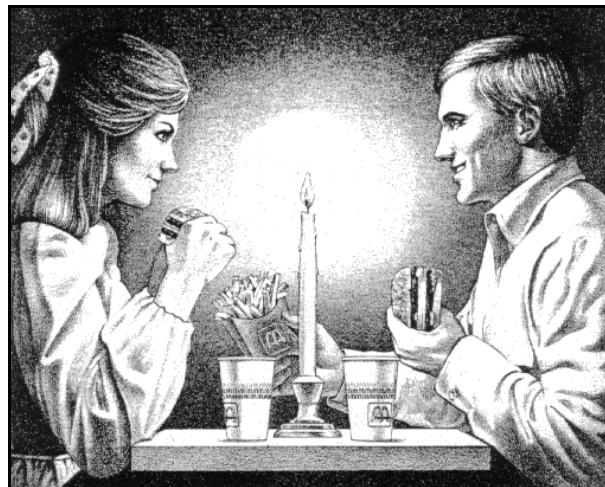
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Rossville trustees approve 11-member planning committee

ROSSVILLE—A group of local residents has been named to take the village into the 21st century.

Members of the newly-formed Rossville planning committee were approved 5-1 by the village board Monday night.

Committee members are Molly Culbert, Gina Fritz, Dean Grimes, Kevin Kaufman, Brian Laird, Linda Lee, Eva Neeland, Terry Prillaman, Gene Roach, George Shields and Tony Zarate.

The committee's first meeting is tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m. Feb. 2, said Mayor Merv Smith, adding one or two additional members may be added in the future.

The committee's formation came with criticism from some residents.

Resident Abby Yoho questioned Smith regarding who will lead the committee and whether members will be paid.

Smith responded that the group will select a chairman and that members will not be paid.

Yoho questioned what the committee will do, saying the board held little discussion on the issue. "All we've heard is tabled, tabled, tabled," Yoho said. "You said they will serve the village well, (but) doing what?"

Smith replied that residents should attend meetings to learn what the committee will do.

Trustee William Galloway voted against the committee, saying farmers are not represented on the panel and that the village is too small for such a committee.

In other action, trustees officially approved hiring Kristi DeWitt and James Goodrum as part time police officers.

Trustee Chuck Cornell, chairman of the health/safety committee, suggested the action after questions surfaced about whether the two were hired properly.

"We're a little bit late in this, aren't we," Galloway asked before the vote. "This makes six police officers we have and they can't patrol the town right."

He voted against hiring the officers.

Cornell said Goodrum has worked in the village for about three weeks, while DeWitt, a former auxiliary officer, has been a part time officer for approximately six months.

In unrelated business, trustees learned 22 properties have been identified as needing cleaning or repairs. Of those, 10 owners have been issued warning tickets.

Owners will be given 30 days, instead of the seven-day period mandated by ordinance, to make changes, said Cornell, who displayed dated photographs of the sites.

The time extension was granted because of winter weather conditions.

Owners who make no attempt to clean up their property will be taken to court, Smith said.

In other action, the board:

approved a special use permit for 103 E. Maple. Owner Nancy Dickson plans to open a guest cottage at that address.

Galloway voted against the permit because at a Jan. 8 zoning hearing, one neighbor complained about the change.

Trustee Mick Braddock abstained on the vote but did not give a reason for the abstention.

set 7 p.m. Feb. 12 as the next Neighborhood Watch meeting.

took under advisement a request from Roberta Spencer of the Rossville Ambulance Service that the board enact an ordinance keeping other ambulances from transporting residents, exempt under mutual aid agreements.

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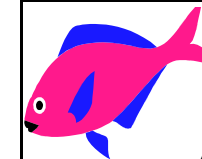
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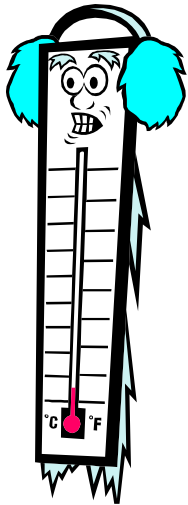
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Danville man rolls way to top of 88-man field in Budweiser Tournament action Sunday

COVINGTON, IND.—Jason Turner of Danville rolled over 88 bowlers to take Sunday's Budweiser Tournament.

Turner may have set a tournament record 1,009 four-game set - for a 252 average - on his way to the top.

Action started with a field of 88, 60 on the high side and 28 on the low.

On the low side, Hoopeston's Dave Hughes, #5, battled Jamie Nelson with Hughes winning out by a 189-178 score.

In his second match, Hughes out-dueled Jamie Stevens, 213-150. Match three pitted Hughes against newcomer Andre Brooks, with Brooks withstanding the pressure to win 214-190.

Brooks advanced to battle Wellington's "Hammerin'

Hank" Longfellow, who finished the number one seed. Longfellow won out with a 182-175 score to advance to the finals.

On the high side, two of Danville's finest, Mike McMasters and Charlie Varner, squared in what everyone figured to be a high-scoring battle, with McMasters turning the tables on his team mate, 239-217.

In the second match, McMasters ran into - and over - Michael Seward, 201-183, to face the streaking Chuck Sergeant of Hoopeston. McMasters failed to master Sergeant, losing 246-224.

Sergeant set a showdown with the hottest man on the lanes this day, Turner. Turner showed it was no fluke, beating Sergeant 245-191.

This set up a battle between Turner and Longfellow in what some thought would be a cakewalk for Turner.

Longfellow, however, had other ideas and started off throwing the first five strikes. Turner returned the favor.

Longfellow could not keep the pace, settling for a 236 game, compared to turner's 257 score.

Turner will defend his crown Feb. 15 at Cissna Park



Police News



Brad Glover of Honeywell School reported Sunday that someone broke into the school, throwing paper and supplies around a classroom.

An undisclosed amount of money was also taken.

Police are investigating.

Eric Norris, of Hollywood Video, 204 E. Main St., reported Sunday that someone took an undisclosed amount of money from a cash register at the business.

Donald Underwood, 827 E. Seminary, reported Monday that someone threw eggs on his 1980 Ford station wagon and slashed the tires.

Jason Longfellow, 23, of 824 E. Wyman, #B8, was arrested Monday.

Police said Longfellow was charged with criminal damage to property, theft and burglary to auto in connection with a Jan. 7 incident.

Joe B. Gonzalez reported on that date that a Sony CD player, equalizer, two speakers and more than 70 CDs were taken from from his 1986 Dodge.

Longfellow was released on \$100 cash bond.

An 11-year-old girl and two boys, ages 12 and 13, were arrested Monday.

The three were charged with theft after police said they took items from Pamida, Routes 1 and 9.

The three were taken to the police station, then released to their parents on notices to appear.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

Jan. 15, 1998

Admitted: Linda Nelson, Amy Warner and Ann Martin, all of Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Jan. 16, 1998

Admitted: Margaret Cundiff, Wade Swartz and Virginia Olson, all of Hoopeston.

Discharged: Amy Warner, Linda Nelson.

Jan. 17, 1998

Admitted: none.

Discharged: none.

Jan. 18, 1998

Admitted: Marjorie Brockway, Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Weather



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