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## Police seek gunman in Sunday night gas station robbery

Police are looking for a man who robbed the Clark gas station at gunpoint Sunday night.

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The gunman is described as a white male between 18 and 25 years old, of medium build, standing between 5'5" and 5'7", said Hoopeston police chief Carl Valentine.

The man, wearing a dark latex mask and gloves, entered the station at 7:13 p.m. and ordered cashiers to give him money from the cash register, Valentine said. Brandishing a dark-colored gun with white hand grips, the man told cashiers not to look at him and told cashiers he did not want to hurt them, but would "if he had to," Valentine said.

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The man took an undisclosed amount of money, then fled on foot. A customer at the station saw the gunman flee east from the station, then south, Valentine said. The customer found the cashiers lying on the floor and, after learning of the robbery, called police.

Valentine said he believes the crime was committed by a local resident.

# **Rossville loses big money because of warm temperatures**

ROSSVILLE-El Niño, which is increasing temperatures this winter, is decreasing Rossville revenue.

The village gas fund has seen a \$20,000 drop in revenue, said trustee Tom Mills.

The village provides natural gas to residents.

Trustee Mick Braddock, chairman of the village gas committee, said dealing with the drop will be discussed, but that not having reports containing "real numbers" is hindering planning. "Until we can get some real time numbers, we're going to be stuck," he said. "We'll be talking about that a little more in the future."

In unrelated business, trustees:

approved spending \$995 for a new radar gun for the second police car.

approved paying \$65 monthly to the city of Hoopeston for clerical work on court cases. The village collected \$13,361 in fines in ten months, Mills said, adding 80 percent of those arrested in the village go to court in Hoopeston.

Trustee William Galloway abstained on the vote. Dreferred a request from Tim and Heather Cottingham to vacate Railroad Ave. to the village zoning committee.

appointed the Rev. Jim Lloyd to the planning committee. He will serve a two year term.

Galloway voted against the appointment.

• appointed Phil Yakey to the zoning committee. Yakey replaces Steve Stream, who resigned because of conflicting business commitments. Yakey's term will expire April 30, 2000.

set the next Neighborhood Watch meeting for 7 p. m. March 12 at the village office.



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# Hoopeston bowler takes Budweiser Classic bowling championship at Cissna Park

CISSNA PARK—A sparse turnout Sunday at Cissna Park Bowl witnessed what people for the last two months have tried to do at the Budweiser Classic Bowling Tournament.

A total of 42 bowlers tried the lanes out, with 26 coming from the high side and only 16 on the low.

The low turnout did not stop the scores from being high.

In the low side roll-off, Steve Skimehorn defeated James Stevens, 225-181, placing Skimehorn against Hoopeston's Chad Bruens. In a closely contest match, Skimehorn won out, 214-191. He then advanced to face another Hoopeston bowler, Jeremy Gaddis. Gaddis came out with a narrow 197-192 victory, to face last month's runner-up, Hank Longfellow. Gaddis, with a 190-165 victory, came out low side champion.

On the high side, Burlie Gaston met Vern Payne,

# **Police News**

Alva Hawthorne, 521 W. Lincoln, reported Monday that someone shot the rear window of the back door of his home. A bb gun was used, police said.

Floyd Kinnaird, 22, of Fowler, Ind., turned himself in to police at 11:20 a.m. Monday. Kinnaird, wanted on a traffic warrant, was released on \$200 cash bond.

## In the Hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Feb. 12, 1998

Admitted: Dorothy Taylor, Hoopeston. Discharged: Bertha Reed, Paul Lohnes, Frances Giles.

#### Feb. 13, 1998

Admitted: none. Discharged: Louise Griner, Joel Hofbauer, Clint Leemon, Lena Edwards, Ethel Kuntz, Stacy Barron.

Feb. 14, 1998 Admitted: none. Discharged: Gertrude Yarno.

Feb. 15, 1998 Admitted: none. Discharged: Virginia Brougher, Pauline Worley. winning a low scoring match, 169-161. Gaston then defeated Brad Linton, 202-187 and Tommy Cavenaile, 206-165, setting up a match with the hottest bowler of the day, Jason Turner, who finished the tournament with a 930 total for four games.

Turner showed why he was the hottest by brushing aside Gaston, 224-154, setting up a final against Jeremy Gaddis.

In what proved to be an upset, Gaddis pulled out a 198-178 victory to win the championship heading into next month's finals at Lincoln Lanes.

Gaddis will try to keep his hot streak going later this month as a group of 20 bowlers heads to Reno, Nev. for

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### **Court Dispositions**

Feb. 5: Roberta Montgomery, Potomac, deceptive practice and \$142.81 restitution; continued to Feb. 19. **Cynthia Miller,** Hoopeston, leash law, pleaded guilty; \$75.

Jonathon Miles, Hoopeston, to do 18 hours public service work and 19 hours public service work, completed.

Paula Moody, Danville, \$145.05 restitution, fine and costs: failed to appear.

Tani O'Neal, Hoopeston, leash law, failure to inoculate: summons issued.

### **Obituaries**

YARNO - Gertude Boomgarden Yarno, 90, of Hoopeston, died at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 1998, at Hoopeston Community Nursing Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in GAR Cemetery, Watseka. Visitation will be 9-11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Community Nursing Home.

### Weather

Chance of rain today, tomorrow. Highs 46, lows 36. For current weather conditions, call the Hoopeston Weather Line at (217) 283-6221.

the ABC Nationals tournament, running from Feb. 13 until July.



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