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Rossville trustees approve new sidewalks on N. Chicago

ROSSVILLE—The sidewalks of North Chicago St. may get a facelift this year.

The village board will seek bids on 671 feet of sidewalk repairs from the Polyclinic office south to the Cain residence in the 300 block.

Trustee Tom Mills estimated the project will use \$13,400 of \$14,500 in the village sidewalk repair fund.

Motor Fuel Tax money will pay most of the cost; however, officials will request that residents along the route pay 10 percent of costs, Mills said.

The south side of the street is tentatively scheduled for repairs next year.

In other business, trustees:

Dearned the village made a nine percent net profit from municipal gas sales despite mild temperatures and reduced gas costs last year.

"It's not the best in the west but at least we operated in

the black," Mills said.

The village took in \$437,800, down from \$546,000 the previous year, he said.

□ changed the zoning ordinance to include a 10-day appeals period for zoning decisions. Trustee William Galloway voted against the ordinance saying the law had not been discussed at a meeting prior to the vote.

□approved street closings for Labor Day and Octoberfest activities.

□approved connecting the Tim Cottingham property to the sewer system. Galloway said the property does not have the proper T connection.

□learned the next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be at 7 p.m. Sept. 9.

□ learned GTE will install fiber optics in the village in the next several months and that the CSX Railroad will fix the Attica St. crossing in September.

Small town living brings former Hoopeston man home

The quiet of small town living has brought a Hoopeston resident home to a new job.

Darren Dukes, who returned to Hoopeston this spring, was recently named assistant manager at Neal Tire & Auto Service.

Dukes, 32, graduated from Hoopeston East Lynn High School in 1984, then joined the Army. After leaving the service, Dukes worked at area car dealerships, including Burton Motors, before moving to St. Louis approximately five years ago.

But marriage and fatherhood made Dukes want to return to the area.

Dukes and his wife, Dana, are the parents of one child, four-year-old Dylan.

"The crime rate in St. Louis was so bad," he said. "We didn't want to raise our kid there."

Prior to working at Neal Tire, Dukes was a mobile service technician for Sears Automotive in Springfield. He has spent most of his adult life in the auto repair industry. "It's a nice thing to take something that's been broke and put it back together again," he said.

Admitting he and his wife sometimes miss the availability of nighttime activities locally, Dukes said it's good to be home again. "It's nice to get back into the quiet," he said.

Dukes may be reached at Neal Tire at (217) 283-5571.

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Aug. 6: Marilyn Zimmerman, Hoopeston, speeding, pleaded guilty; \$95.

Norman Atkins, Danville, deceptive practice; failed to appear.

Court Dispositions

Brian Catron, Hoopeston, battery, pleaded not guilty; trial Sept. 17.

Theresa Conrad, Hoopeston, deceptive practice; continued to Sept. 17.

Theresa Williamson, Hoopeston, deceptive practice; continued to Sept. 17.

Phillip Crawford, Memphis, Tenn., nuisance weeds; plea by mail.

Robert Farrell, Hoopeston, trespassing, pleaded not guilty: trial Oct. 1.

Cherish Hawk, Rankin, bond applied; dismissed.

— Briefly

School starts today

Classes at Hoopeston Area schools will begin today, with dismissal at 11:05 for grade school students at 11:20 for middle/high school students.

Dismissal the rest of the month will be at 2:05 for

grade school students and 2:20 p.m. for middle/high school students. **Bowling meeting**

There will be a Tuesday Night Classic League meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at 10 Pin Alley. All interested people should attend or contact Mike Dean, 283-9608.

Alanon meeting

the Hoopeston Multi Agency. For more information call

An Alanon meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at

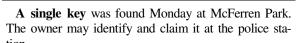


5-person Paintball Tournament

Sept. 6 Starts at 8 a.m. \$30 per player

Route 9 & South Second Ave. Hoopeston

Police News



Michelle Schroeder, 205 S. Grant, Milford, reported Monday that someone took a watch from Subway, 115

The program is for family members affected by alco-



The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 9:22 a.m. Monday for smoke coming out of vents at 526 W. Elm. The police department also responded.

Fire Calls

(217) 283-5544.

holism.



In the Hospital

Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Aug. 13

Nothing to report

Aug. 14

Admitted: Marjorie Brockway, Hoopeston. **Discharged:** Regina Devillers, Barbara Fraley.

> Aug. 15-16 Nothing to report.

Weather



Partly sunny, chance of rain today. High 88. Tonight, fair. Low 65. Tomorrow, sunny. High 88, low 67.

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