







New owners take old name for Hoopeston bowling alley

The new owners of a Hoopeston business are giving the establishment an old name.

On June 1, Dennis and JoAnne Gress purchased 10 Pin Alley, which will now be called Pla-Mor Lanes, after the former bowling alley which was destroyed by fire several years ago.

"There's thousands and thousands of people who bowled at Pla-Mor Lanes," Mr. Gress said. "It was known all over the area."

Few changes are planned, other than the name change. The couple plans to continue karaoke on Friday and Saturday nights, as well as having occasional live bands.

The kitchen will be closed, at least temporarily. The Gresses hope to add simple foods, such as Polish sausage and hot dogs, later. "When people bowl, they like to eat," Mrs. Gress said. "I know I do.'

A grand opening is planned for August, with a ghost rally and dance set for Halloween. "We've got someone working on (the ghost rally) already," Mrs. Gress said.

The pro shop will remain, as will the availability to hold children's parties.

What the couple would like to add is more bowlers. "We'd like to get them back in," Mrs. Gress said, adding they will stress the family atmosphere of the sport.

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The summer months will be spent gearing up for the fall bowling season, including Aug. 9 when the lanes will be resurfaced. "We're going to get it ready for the bowlers," Mrs. Gress said.

The Gresses had talked about purchasing the bowling alley last year. "We finally got the nerve to do it" and began the process in February, Mrs. Gress said.

Since making the decision to purchase it, the couple has worked weekends at the bowling alley. "We wanted to get the feel of the place," Mrs. Gress said.

The Greeses admit they're still learning. "We're going to make mistakes but we'll learn from them and go on," Mr. Gress said.

"We're new at this stuff," Mrs. Gress added. "I hope people will be patient with us."

This is the couple's second business venture. For the past 11 years, they have operated Gress Liquid Waste Removal, also in Hoopeston.

Pla-Mor Lanes will be open Wednesday through Saturday during the summer. Hours will be 5 p.m. to midnight Wednesdays and Thursdays, 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and noon to 1 a.m. Saturdays.

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Officer returns to work

Hoopeston police Sgt. Danny Danner returned to work Thursday.

Danner, who was placed on administrative leave after shooting Anthony Mills on May 24, returned to administrative duty, said Chief Mark Drollinger.

Danner will handle walk-in reports and other administrative duties until an official report is received from the Vermilion County State's Attorney's office, Drollinger said. Then Danner is expected to return to his regular duty rotation.

Danner and another officer were called to Mills' home in the 800 block of East Maple for a report of a distraught, armed person.

Mills remains in Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana, in serious condition.

Neighborhood Watch

The Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch will meet at 7 p. m. Monday at city hall. Crime scene technician Mike Kyrouac will present the program as part of the continuing murder mystery.

Kyrouac will present a report of the alleged crime

It was reported Thursday that items were taken from

a vehicle in the 800 block of North Third St.

in the 200 block of West Main.

scene and will display crime scene techniques including those used to gather fingerprints and footprints.



Police News

A four-foot wreath was on Thursday reported stolen from a building in the 600 block of West Maple.

Two incidents of damaged autos were reported Thursday. Two mirrors were broken off vehicles parked

Obituaries

WALLACE - Robert Thomas Wallace, 46, of Hoopeston, died at 9 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, 1999 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Burial will be in Mann's Chapel Cemetery, Rossville. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital June 2 Admitted: Ellen Ford, Hoopeston. Discharged: none.



Partly sunny today. High 80. Tonight, cloudy. Low 65. Saturday and Sunday, chance of thunderstorms. Highs near 89, lows near 69.

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

HELP WANTED Part time teller. Apply in person at Community Bank main of fice. 148-161 Hoopeston Migrant Head Start is now accepting applications for the following positions: Teacher, Teacher Asst., Bus Driver, Bus Asst., for day time and possibly evening hours. Prefer bilingual in Spanish and English, but not required. Send letters of application to P. O. Box 136, Wellington, IL 60973 or fax to 815-984 4500. Must be received by Monday, June 7. For further information, call 815-984-3706. EOE

Part time housekeeping position. Available immediately. Apply in person at front desk, Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. EOE. 154-159

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Large yard sale, Saturday, June 5, 6 a.m.-2 p.m.. 543 N 1800 E Rd., Goodwine, off Cissna Park Slab. Name brand clothes, girls size 12 mos.-2T, boys 4-7 and small women's; refrigerator; dryer, bookshelf, bunk beds, toys, Home Interior, lots misc.

Fri. & Sat, June 4,5, 9-2. Furniture, new electric hot water heater, new vanity, fan bike, NordicTrak, 4 station weight gym, old piano, scooter, computer & accessories, picture frames, baby & kids clothes & toys, exersaucer, much more. 2 mi. north of Hoopeston on Rt. 1 at 100 N. Rd.

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