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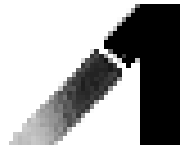
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HA board considers electric consortium to save money

Hoopeston Area school officials hope deregulation will allow them to save money on electric bills.

The board on Thursday approved possible participation in the Illinois Energy Consortium, a nonprofit group that will broker electricity purchases.

Business director Don Dean will meet with the group Thursday to find out prices and other information, such as how long a contractual obligation will be, said Superintendent Mark Conolly.

Once the district receives costs for the consortium, it will compare them with figures from AmerenCIPS. That company has not provided cost information to the district, Conolly said.

Little is known about how deregulation will affect the district and how much, if any, money will be saved. However, the district spends “several thousands of dollars” each year on electricity, so even a small percentage of savings could add up, he said.

Chicago area officer's donation to help Hoopeston EMTs

A donation to the Hoopeston Emergency Medical Service will allow emergency medical personnel to help the faint of heart.

The service received a Cardiobeat Medasonics stethoscope this week. The \$600 piece of equipment was donated by Ted Jenkins, a Clarendon Hills police officer who lives in Downer's Grove.

The battery-powered stethoscope will allow emergency medical technicians to hear faint heart beats, such as those of a baby in its mother's womb and some elderly patients, said EMT James Goodrum. “This can help us in many, many ways,” he said.

Another use for the stethoscope is to determine blood flow to broken extremities such as arms and

In unrelated action, the board approved hiring several people, including: James Dunlap, high school math; Jean Sollars, Maple Educable Mentally Handicapped; Kelly Ankenbrand, Maple computer lab aide; Molly Cropper, kindergarten music/aide; Pamela Ellsworth, high school physical education aide; Holli Stipp, Maple classroom aide; Allan Baker, assistant softball; Kim Burch, middle school drama; and Chanel Rentfrom, high school cheerleading co-sponsor.

Resignations were accepted from Sara Troxel, Maple special education; Dana Chapman-Dukes, Maple computer lab aide; Barbara Powley, Maple music/aide; and Jane Bray, middle school track.

Four positions, including three coaching slots, remain open. They are eighth grade girls volleyball, middle school girls track and high school assistant baseball. The middle school assistant student activities director position also remains unfilled.

legs, he said.

Jenkins, a friend of Goodrum's received the stethoscope when another friend died of diabetes. The deceased's family did not want it, so Jenkins asked if the ambulance service would use it. “We sure can,” Goodrum said.

The stethoscope will be used in the intermediate ambulance. “It won't be used every day,” Goodrum said, “but when we do need it, we'll have it. It's a luxury.”

The service, funded by the city, has held fundraisers to purchase new equipment. Another one, a ham and beans dinner, is set for Sept. 25 and will include a 50/50 drawing. Tickets are available from any

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Equipment needed

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New auxiliary officer

Date "Chip" Houmes was named a Hoopeston Auxiliary police officer at Tuesday's city council meeting. Houmes received unanimous approval from the council.

Several candidates vie for National Sweetheart title

Thirty two girls will compete Labor Day Weekend for the title of National Sweetheart.

The National Sweetheart Pageant, held in conjunction with the National Sweetcorn Festival, attracts first runners-up from state pageants across the United States.

This year's contestants include:

Georgia – Andrea Lee Bailey, 20, of Evans, GA, plans to be a record producer and/or independent music publisher when she graduates from Augusta State University. During talent competition, she will perform the classical vocal "Time to Say Goodbye."

Hawaii – Sabrian Olena Rubin, 18, of Honolulu, HI, is a sophomore at Hawaii Pacific University, majoring in political science. She hopes to attend law school and become an attorney specializing in child advocacy. She will perform the dramatic vocal presentation "Time to Say Goodbye."

Idaho – Jamie Joy Nielsen, 19, of Twin Falls, ID, will tap dance to "Jumpin' at the Woodside" in the talent competition. Nielsen, attends Brigham Young University where she studies dance education and modern dance. She hopes to become a dance professor at a university or high school.



Police News



Keys found Sunday on Wilson Ave. were claimed by the owner Wednesday.

A resident reported Wednesday that an unknown substance had been put in the gas tank of a 1990 Oldsmobile.

A radar detector was found Thursday by a resident and turned in at the police department. The owner may identify and claim it.

Theresa L. Hayes, 40, of Georgetown, was arrested at 11:25 a.m. Thursday on several warrants. She was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville in lieu of bond.

Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

WEDNESDAY: Sausage pizza, baby carrots, graham crackers, applesauce.

THURSDAY: Corn dog, fries, pretzels, fruit cocktail, cookie.

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, cheese, tri tator, peaches.

Hoopeston Area Middle/High school


WEDNESDAY: Sausage pizza or cold turkey/bun, salad bar, applesauce.

THURSDAY: Corn dog or cold ham/bun, cheese, fries, salad bar, fruit cocktail.

FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun or rib/bun, cheese, tri tator, salad bar, peaches.

All meals include milk.

In the Hospital




Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

Aug. 18

Admitted: Jessie Klocke, Hoopeston.

Discharged: Fred Obenland, Alyson Haas, Maynard Byers.

Weather



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RUMMAGE SALES

710 W. Elm, Hoopeston. Saturday, 8-2. New & used children & adult clothing & household miscellaneous.

Air conditioned sale, 106 E. Attica, Rossville. Saturday, Aug. 21, 8:30-1:3-. Table & 4 chairs, baker's rack, health walker, body glide, patio table & chairs, super single headboard & frame, toys, clothes, kitchen & holiday items, lots of miscellaneous.

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