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Rossville residents asked to cooperate with CDAP survey

ROSSVILLE—Residents are being asked to help the village with major projects, such as repairing the sewer or water systems.

But citizens won't need shovels or other tools. Instead, they are being asked to fill out a survey to determine the percentage of low-income residents in the village.

At a special meeting Thursday, the board met with Tom Mason of the Champaign County Regional Planning Development office and Mark Dwiggins of Upchurch & Associates.

The meeting was held to review suggested infrastructure repairs and learn if the village qualifies for a Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP) grant.

Nearly half of all surveys mailed out earlier this year were not returned, Mason said. Based on those that were received, the village's low-income population stands at about 50 percent.

If the village can show a higher percentage, it stands a better chance of receiving a grant, Mason said.

The number of low-income residents, as well as possible health or safety violations, are used to determine which communities are accepted into the CDAP program.

Trustee Tom Mills said communities with low-income residents in the 70 percent range get the highest priority, followed by those in the 60s and finally, in the 50s. "We're at the lowest of the low," he said.

Based on the numbers, Mason said the village's chances of getting a grant will be increased if more residents respond.

The surveys will not identify residents by name and the results will not be seen by trustees, Mason said. Residents will mail surveys directly to his office.

In hopes that more residents will respond, village officials may hold off applying for a grant until next

Briefly

Music Booster winners
 This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: Aug. 30, John Zollar; Aug. 31, Gary Gillins; Sept. 1, Jerry Kennett; Sept. 2, Mary Hatfield; Sept. 3, Andrew Greene

Multi Agency van schedule
 This week's schedule for the Hoopeston Multi Agency transportation project is Monday, Hoopeston shuttle; Tuesday, Watseka (leave at 9 a.m.); Wednesday, Danville; Thursday, Hoopeston shuttle; Friday, Danville.

For more information or to arrange a ride, call the Multi Agency at (217) 283-5544.

Community center activities this week include: Monday, ladies bridge, noon; Thursday men's coffee 9:30 a.m., men's euchre noon; Friday, Health Alliance 10 a.m., unemployed discount 1-3 p.m.

Team needed
 A five-man bowling team is needed for Wednesday nights. If interested, call Doug Bray, (217) 283-6865 or Pla-Mor Lanes, 283-5195.

Boil order lifted
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Police News



Three injured in two accidents Friday

Three people were injured in two separate accidents Friday morning on Rt. 9.

Timothy J. Lane III, 16, of Hoopeston, was treated at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital after an accident at 7:08 a.m. Friday.

Police said Lane, in a 1967 Dodge, was stopped, trying to turn onto South Market, when he was hit from behind by a 1999 International semi driven by Richard L. Douglas, 40, of Rellsville, Ind.

The semi was then hit by a second 1999 International semi driven by Kenneth W. Lyon, 45, of Greencastle.

Douglas was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and Lyon was ticketed for following too closely.

The second accident occurred at 7:25 a.m. Friday at Rt. 9 and South Fifth when Ashley Drollinger, 16, and an unidentified passenger, were hospitalized.

Police said Drollinger, in a 1985 Buick, was at the intersection, trying to turn into the high school parking lot when she was hit by a 1990 SPCN semi driven by Gary G. Burhmester, 27, of Milford, who was westbound on Rt. 9

Buhrmester was ticketed for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

In other police news:

A **boy's 15-inch** Murray Shadow bicycle was found Friday in the 200 block of South Bank. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

A **citizen reported** Friday that shelters at McFerrer Park had been damaged and items taken from them.

Edward Cordova, 23, of 319 N. Sixth Ave., was arrested at 7:16 p.m. Friday in the 600 block of West Maple. Cordova was charged with driving while license revoked, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and a Vermilion County traffic warrant.

He was released on \$100 cash bond for driving while license revoked and \$700 cash bond on the warrant.

Richard J. Slingerland, 43, of 1015 W. Main, was arrested at 11:55 p.m. Friday on a Vermilion County warrant. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Leandro E. Acosta, 68, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 10:45 a.m. Saturday in the 300 block of Front St.

Acosta was charged with cruelty to animals after a woman complained that Acosta beat her dog with a water hose and threw dirt clods on it, police said.

The dog was found dead a short time later on the

year.

See SURVEY on other side

Survey continued from other side

Officials hope to receive a grant to help pay for costs to update the sewer treatment plant and improve the village water system. CDAP grants will

Weather



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