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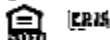
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Hoopeston Community Memorial gets two grants for pool

Physical therapy patients at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital will soon have a new method of rehabilitation.

The hospital recently received two grants to purchase and install a therapy pool as part of the therapy department expansion.

The Vermilion Healthcare Foundation awarded the hospital \$20,000 towards the project while the Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation donated \$8,000 towards the pool

"We are, of course, very grateful to receive the

funds toward the therapy pool project," said chief executive officer Frank Caruso. "We believe the addition of a therapy pool will enhance the benefits of therapy and rehabilitation programs. We are also very appreciate of the community's support.

Nadine Day, MPT, therapy department director, also expressed her appreciation, saying the pool will aid in rehabilitating those who have had surgery, as well as stroke victims, those with back injuries, arthritis, sports injuries and geriatric patients.

Construction is expected to begin in October.

Number of confirmed cases of STD escalates in county

DANVILLE—The number of confirmed cases of syphilis being reported in Vermilion County continues to escalate.

According to Stephen Laker, county health department administrator, 14 cases of the sexually transmitted disease have been confirmed in the last nine months. Eight of those cases have been identified since the indications of a potential outbreak arose and the public was notified in mid-June.

"These numbers are a serious indication of an escalating health problem in our community," Laker said, adding that despite efforts, the outbreak has not been contained "We must re-intensify our efforts to contact untreated individuals."

Health officials urge anyone who may be at risk to seek testing and necessary treatment immediately. Delay or failure to do so can only compound the effects of the disease, Laker said. Untreated, syphilis can spread to a person's brain, spinal cord, heart or other parts of the body, leading to debilitating diseases. Syphilis can be cured once it is diagnosed.

Symptoms of syphilis include genital irritation, lesions

in the genital area or anywhere on the body, blisters or unexplained rashes on the body, pain or burning sensation during urination, discharge or unexplained pelvic pain. Anyone experiencing these symptoms is urged to seek medical attention as soon as possible.

Health officials warned that signs and symptoms may not be readily apparent in the early stages of the disease. Men, more than women, may show more obvious signs so women who may engage in potentially risky behavior should seek testing and treatment.

The Vermilion County medical community was notified in June of a potential syphilis outbreak. Laker said the health department will once again contact local health care providers to seek their help in stemming the outbreak.

At greatest potential risk are people who may be engaged in risky sexual behavior and/or substance abuse. "Anyone who may be exchanging sex for drugs or money is at risk in this community right now, including anyone who may be patronizing prostitutes," Laker said. Those who have engaged in such behavior or are in sex-

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Briefly

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The event will be held at Main Street Inn, 306 E. Main, Hoopeston. It will feature music, food and drawings.

There is no admission charge, however donations will be accepted.

Golf outing

Catholic Social Services is sponsoring the first annual

Golf Classic Tuesday at Turtle Run Golf Club, 332 E. Liberty Lane, Danville. Registration will be held from 10 a.m. until noon.

Cost is \$55 per player on each four-person team. For more information, call (217) 443-1772.

Class reunion

The Wellington High School 60s reunion committee invites all former classmates, teachers, staff and parents to visit with "The Classes of the 1960s" after 7 p.m. Sept. 2 at the Wellington Park. Anyone who did not receive an invitation and would like to attend the dinner is

asked to call Sue at (765) 869-5915.

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Police News

Dawn R. McCray, 25, of 417 E. Seminary, was arrested at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday in the 400 block of East Seminary on a Vermilion County small claims warrant for failure to appear.

She was released on \$300 cash bond.

Jon F. Ball, 19, of 418 E. Young, was arrested at 6:12 p.m. Tuesday in the 400 block of East Young.

Ball was charged with burglary in connection with a

June 20 incident. He was also charged with obstructing justice.

He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Katie L. Smith, 28, of 1115 W. Orange, Lot 14, was arrested at 8:25 p.m. Tuesday at Baer's Trailer Court on a Vermilion County traffic warrant for failure to appear.

She was released on \$295 cash bond.

STD continued from other side

ual contact with someone who has had such activity need to be tested immediately. "We have to prevent this sexually transmitted disease from spreading further into the community," Laker said.

The Vermilion County Health Department's Family Planning/STD/HIV Clinic provides free, confidential testing at its main facility, 200 S. College St., Suite A, Danville.

To intensify efforts to curtail the outbreak, testing

hours will be extended to include 1:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoons. Regular hours are 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesday and Friday mornings.

For more information, call (217) 431-2662, ext. 308 or 313.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Aug. 22

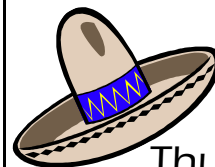
Admitted: none.
Discharged: Charles Johnson, Thelma Halley, Herman Bauer.

Weather



Partly sunny today. High 83. Tonight, clear. Low 63. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 84, low 63.

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