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Bookkeeping errors lead city to hire accounting firm

Bookkeeping errors in the city budget have led the Hoopeston city finance committee to hire an accounting firm to review monthly statements.

The annual city audit, prepared by Russell Leigh & Associates, showed several "fairly serious" procedural errors, said Alderman Bill Goodwine, finance committee chairman.

Those errors include unreconciled bank accounts; transfer errors between the bond and interest and water/sewer fund and water/sewer to garbage funds; delayed ambulance billing; library tax money not given to the library district until it was requested; and spending money not in budget line items.

Goodwine stressed the errors are procedural only and do not reflect any misappropriation of funds, however, the finance committee felt the problems needed to be corrected and hired Russell Leigh & Associates to do month-end and year-end statements. Errors caught by them will be returned to the city to be fixed before statements are rerun.

The mistakes are nothing critical of any person, really," Goodwine said, adding the small number of administrative office employees makes it difficult to find one "who can look at numbers and the mistakes jump

out at you," he said.

The firm's services are not to exceed \$800 monthly and are expected to be less than that after the initial months.

Hiring the firm will save the city money on overtime pay. "Even if it costs the whole \$9,600 (yearly) it was the opinion of the finance committee that it would be worth it in time and accuracy," Goodwine said.

In other business, the council approved purchasing property at 416 W. Penn, next to the city water building. The property, appraised at \$39,000, will be purchased for \$35,000. Funds will come from city reserves, Goodwine said.

Police News 

A black Nokia pager was found at Monday at Park-view Court. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Robin H. Coons, 35, of 7643 W. Walnut, East Lynn, was arrested at 4 p.m. Monday at city hall. Coons, wanted on a Vermilion County traffic warrant, was released on \$139 cash bond.

A **Hoopeston man** was treated at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital after an accident at 4:15 p.m. Monday at South Second Ave. and West Washington.

Timothy D. Hultquist, of 706 E. Thompson, was injured when his 1980 Honda motorcycle hit a 1998 Ford Contour driven by Robin L. Brown, 36, of 625 E. McCracken.

Police said Brown was southbound on Second and turned left on Washington when Hultquist, who was northbound, struck her.


Brown was ticketed for improper left turn/failure to yield.

See POLICE on other side



Tonight is Taco Night At Hubbard Trail Country Club
Serving 5-8 p.m.
13937 N 3680 E Rd. (217) 748-6521

Free Estate Planning Seminar
The Planned Gifts Committee of the Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation will sponsor a free Estate Planning Seminar **Thursday, Sept. 21, at 3-5 p.m.** in the **Hoopeston Nursing Home Community Room, 701 E. Orange.**
Plan to attend this informative session. Refreshments will be served.
For details, contact the foundation at **(217) 283-4243.**
The following topics will be covered:
♦ Planning Your Will, Living Will & Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare
♦ The Trust Approach with Triple-Tax Benefits
♦ Retirement Planning Techniques
♦ Providing Sufficient Cash to Pay Estate Taxes.


WEBER'S Hallmark SHOP
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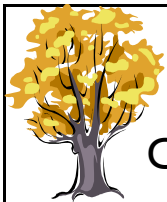
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Briefly

Music Booster winners

This week's winners in the Hoopeston Area Music Booster calendar drawing are: Sept 18, Pete Sollars; Sept. 19, Alex Hodge; Sept. 20, Betty Hollen; Sept. 21, Bob and Elizabeth Evans; Sept. 22, Jerry Kennett.

Tiny Tots

"Green Eggs & Ham" will be the theme of Tiny Tots children's story program at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Public Library children's room. The program is open to children up to four years old who are accompanied by an adult.

Class reunion

Reservations are still being accepted for the 69th Rossville-Alvin High School reunion Oct. 7. Reservation forms are available at the high school, Harris Insurance or the Historical Society building.

Reservations and fee must reach the Association, at 350 N. Chicago, Rossville, by 4 p.m. Sept. 22.

The event will be held in the high school gym with

McMasters masters Bud field

CISSNA PARK—A field of 61 area bowlers converged on Cissna Park Sunday for the first Budweiser Tournament. Through the four-game qualifier, a field of 10 bowlers on the high and low side competed in match play.

On the low side, number five Chris Coon met Jeff Pope, with Pope winning 188-169. Pope then met number three Terry England, with England winning 212-201. This set up a match with Andre Brooks with both bowlers struggling to a 161-158 England win. England then met and defeated top seeded Don Miller, 155-153.

On the high side, fifth seed Mike White lost 223-201 to number four Tony Gress, who went on to face third seeded McMasters. McMasters showed the way with a 238-181 victory and a chance to meet number two, Gilbert Warner. McMasters rolled to a 205,167 victory and a chance at top seed Kevin West and a change to meet England. In a close match, Mike McMasters won 207-204.

This set the drama of the finals with McMasters showing why he is the hottest thing in the area as he rolled to a very fine 235-143 victory.

social hour from 3-5 p.m. and dinner from 5-7 p.m. all graduates and friends are invited to attend.

Pee Wee signup

Pee Wee League bowling signup will be held 2-4 p.m. Sept. 23 and 30 at Pla-Mor Lanes. The league is open to children ages 3-7.

Cost is \$25 per year per child and includes a t-shirt, trophy and year-end banquet.

For more information, call (217) 283-5195.

Police continued from other side

A 16-year-old girl reported Monday that money was taken from her 1990 Chevrolet while it was parked at Hoopeston Area High School.

Both drivers were ticketed after an accident at 5:40 p.m. Monday in the 600 block of East Chestnut.

Police said Timothy J. Lane, 39, of 617 E. Chestnut, in a 1991 Chevrolet 1500, backed from a driveway and hit a 1989 Chevrolet S-10, driven by Timothy D. Hultquist II, 17, of Hoopeston, which was parked in the street.

Lane was ticketed for improper backing and Hultquist was cited for improper parking on a roadway.

A girl's purple Roadmaster bicycle was found Tuesday in the 500 block of South First Ave. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Fire Calls



The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 8:56 p.m. Monday to smoke at 633 E. Young.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
Sept. 18

Admitted: Frances Murphy, Hoopeston.

Discharged: none.

Weather



Showers, thunderstorms likely today and tonight. High 78, low 53. Tomorrow, chance of showers early, then partly sunny. High 63, low 45.

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

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