



Friday, Sept. 29 5-8 p.m.

American Legion

502 E. Penn, Hoopeston

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Annual Ham & Bean Dinner Oct. 4, 2000 11 a.m.-1 p.m.



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Trailer park owner to sell, tenants to be out by November

Alderperson working to find housing

A trailer park that has been in Hoopeston for more than 30 years will be empty by the end of November.

Morris Hunt, owner of Hunt's Trailer Park on Route 9, notified tenants that he intends to sell the property. Tenants have until Nov. 30 to move out.

Hunt is closing the trailer park for health reasons. "My wife and I are getting to the age where we can't take care of it," he said, "Bad as I hat to do it, I'm going to have to dispose of it."

Fourteen trailers are in the park, Hunt said.

Alderperson Susan Comstock is trying to help relocate some of the families who will be displaced when the trailer park closes. "I'm trying to get places for people who won't have a home," she said, adding she is looking predominantly for one-bedroom homes in the city.

Finding homes for some will be a daunting task. "There are some out there, it's going to be real hard to find them houses," she said, adding others will only be able to find housing if they agree to have payments directly withdrawn from Social Security or disability payments.

Comstock has mixed feelings about the trailer park closing. Although sorry residents are being displaced, Comstock, who on the council floor pushes to beautify the city, will not be sorry to see the trailers gone. "From that aspect, I'm glad it's closing," she said.

The trailer park was opened by Hunt's father, R.H. Hunt, in 1962. The elder Hunt died in 1968, when Morris Hunt took over. "I've been running it ever since," he said.

Iroquois County fire departments battle factory blaze

WATSEKA—Several Iroquois County fire departments were called to Watseka Tuesday afternoon to battle a fire at the T&D Metals plant.

Departments from Papineau, Martinton, Sheldon, Crescent City and Woodland joined Watseka firemen to extinguish the fire, which reportedly started in the metals plant's paint department. The exact cause of the fire is being investigated by the State Fire Marshall's Office.

Witnesses said smoke, followed by flames, shot from the roof the plant at 602 E. Walnut, as employees were evacuated. None of the plant's 135 employees were injured, although some workers reported parts of the ceiling caving in and an exterior wall blowing out.

Local businesses and residences were also evacuated because of noxious fumes. A hazardous materials team was called in to evaluate the nature of the smoke. Seven firemen and four emergency medical technicians were sent to Iroquois Memorial Hospital suffering from smoke inhalation, according to reports.

The evacuation was lifted Tuesday afternoon, but during the evening hours, residents were still being cautioned to keep doors and windows closed and to shut off equipment that would bring outdoor air into their homes.

Electricity was temporarily cut to other businesses in the area, hampering fire fighters efforts. A boil order was also issued for the city.

"I can't even begin to guess how high the flames were off the roof," said one woman who saw the fire from the Clark Station across the street from the plant. "With the fire and the wind, it looked like a flame tornado."

Watseka Fire Chief Dan Adams could not be reached for comment.

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Will be closing until spring for remodeling. Come in

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B&PW winners

Monthly winners in the Hoopeston Business & Professional Women's drawing are: \$25, Dorothy Metz, Hoopeston; \$15, Joyce Shore, Hoopeston; \$10, Ina Mae Burtis, Hoopeston.

Tiny Tots

"Curious George" is the theme of Tiny Tots 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.

Nurses' coffee

The monthly nurses' coffee will be held Wednesday, Oct. 4 at the Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital cafeteria.

Meet the candidates

A Republican "Meet the Candidates" night will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9 at the Hoopeston American Legion. State and local candidates will be on hand to meet with voters.

The public is invited to attend.

Pee Wee signup

Pee Wee League bowling signup will be held 2-4 p.m. Sept. 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.





A boy's black Dyno bicycle was found Tuesday in the 300 block of West Washington. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Police found an apartment in the 200 block of North Market had been ransacked early Monday morning.

Police said a 38-year-old woman heard yelling and glass breaking and called officers, who arrived to find windows broken and a sink and toilet damaged.

The building owner was notified of the damage.

A set of kevs was found Wednesday at the driver's license facility. The owner may identify and claim them at the police station.

Cissna Park **Bowl** Grand

Opening

Saturday, Sept. 29 All day

- Breakfast specials starting at 5 a.m.
 - Food also served 1-3 p.m.
- Bowling Special \$1/game 12-5
 - Bar specials 1 p.m.-midnight
 - Karaoke 9 p.m. midnight

110 Enz (815) 457-2119

Clarification

A story in the Sept. 22 issue said Mardenna Beauvois resigned her position as cook at Hoopeston Area schools. Beauvois said she is no longer working for the school district but did not resign.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital Sept. 26

Admitted: Leo Strain, Hoopeston.

Discharged: Edna Rethelford, Brady Gocking.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 72. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 45. Tomorrow, mostly clear. High 75, low 47.

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

Ag dept. urges farmers to stop anhydrous ammonia thefts

The Illinois Department of Agriculture is encouraging farmers to take precautions to protect their property and help prevent a growing drug problem in Illinois.

Methamphetamine, a highly addictive stimulant made from household products, has grown in popularity. Seizures of meth labs were up 700 percent from 1997 to 1999, according to Illinois State Police reports. Manufacturing the drug is especially problematic in rural areas because anhydrous, used to cook the drug, is plentiful.

The Department of Agriculture suggests farmers have tanks delivered the day they are needed and place them where they are easily observed. Farmers are also urged to check tank levels each day and to notify local police if anhydrous has been stolen or tanks tampered with.

Classifieds

APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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LOST & FOUND

Missing from the Cheneyville area Sept. 11: 1 large yellow Lab wearing a blue collar. His name is Scooby. Very friendly, family pet. Reward! Please call (217) 339-2351.

RUMMAGE SALES

Huge sale. 109 E. Main, Hoopeston (Wayne's World Arcade). Friday, Sept. 29, Saturday, Sept. 30, 8-? New & used

618 S. Second Ave., Hoopeston. Friday, Sept. 29, 8-2. Clothing (including winter clothing) Halloween & Christmas decorations, misc.

631 E. Seminary, Hoopeston. Saturday, Sept. 30, 8-1. Entertainment center, Ping golf club, humidifier (like new), stroller, clothing.

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