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'See Spot run' will cost Hoopeston pet owners more money

Seeing Spot run will cost his owners more.

Impound fees for cats and dogs will soon increase from \$10 to \$25 for a first offense. Subsequent offenses will increase to \$50 for the second and \$75 for the third. Boarding fees and vaccinations are not included in the fines.

The Hoopeston City Council on Tuesday approved wording for an ordinance change increasing the fees. Aldermen are expected to approve the ordinance next month.

While fees will increase, owners may save money by not having to appear in court and pay related costs, said humane officer Todd Underwood. "I'm trying to alleviate people taking up the court's time," he said.

Owners who do not pay the impound fee within seven days will still have to make a court appearance, Underwood said.

The city will benefit from the change, Underwood said. Currently, only about \$3 of pet-related court fines goes into city coffers. Under the new plan, the total impound fee will go to the city.

Underwood hopes the increased fees will decrease the number of owners who allow their pets to roam. The existing \$10 fee "is like smacking (owners) on

the hand," Underwood said.

However, city attorney Jim Spiros said the number of pets put to sleep may increase if owners refuse to pay the fees.

In related animal business, Underwood suggested making tags valid for 12 months from the date of purchase. Tags are now valid from January to December so those who purchase a tag in November

See PETS on other side

Local healthcare foundation sets first donor recognition event

Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation will hold its first annual Donor Recognition Reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday in the lobby of the Charlotte Ann Russell Medical Center at 801 E. Orange.

The evening will include the unveiling of a donor recognition wall display, presentation of recognition awards to Keystone Society members and HOPE (Hospital Organization Participating Employees) members.

The reception is open to the public.

For more information, call the foundation at (217) 283-4243.

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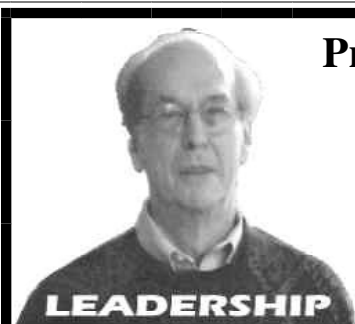


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Obituaries

MOYER—Mary Elaine Moyer, 69, of Hoopeston, died at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2001 at Provena United Samaritans Medical Center, Logan campus, Danville. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Antioch Church of Christ. Burial will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Evergreen Cemetery, Chebanse. Visitation will be 7-9 p.m. Friday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to Antioch Church of Christ, 37605-B N 1900 East Rd., Rossville, IL 60963.

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Police News



A key ring with three keys was found Tuesday in the 800 block of East Elm. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

Fire calls

The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 11:11 a.m. Wednesday to the Jerry's IGA parking lot to wash down a gas spill from an unidentified vehicle.

Pets continued from other side

must buy another two months later.

In unrelated action, the council learned new warning sirens will be placed at Maple and Fourth Ave. and East Main and Fifth St. Alderman John Haughee said placement is designed to alert residents in areas not served by existing sirens, such as Southgate and Scott Drive.

In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
March 20

Admitted: none.

Discharged: Robert Dykman, Frances Johnson,
Gertrude Brenner.

Weather



Increasing clouds, sprinkles likely today. High 55. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 35. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 55, low 35.

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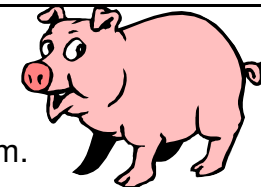
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