

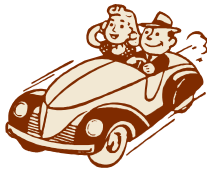
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## Attorney General's office combats cybercrime on local level

The Illinois Attorney General's office isn't taking high tech crime lightly.

The office has established a Regional Computer Crimes Enforcement Group (RCCEG) that includes Vermilion County and Hoopeston police representatives, said Patrice Manning, staff assistant of the Attorney General's High Tech Crimes Bureau.

Manning spoke at Monday's Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Hoopeston is part of the Mid-State RCCEG, one of five in the state, Manning said. The group includes representatives from Vermilion, Iroquois, Champaign, DeWitt, Ford, Macon and Piatt counties.

Russell Rudd, the police department's 911 coordinator, was appointed to represent the department on the task force. Rudd is "extremely computer literate and fluent," said Chief Mark Drollinger.

Task force members undergo training which allows them to gather evidence from computer hard drives. Evidence may include such things as proof a suspect has been involved in on-line child exploitation to Internet fraud, Manning said.

Illinois is applying for federal grants to allow cities to participate in the program. Locally, the Hoopeston Po-

lice Department has paid approximately \$200 for equipment which will allow the department to better investigate computer-related crimes.

The vastness of cyberspace makes it an easy place for  
**See CYBERCRIME on other side**

## Carnival bill moves ahead

A bill that would require carnival workers to register in the cities they appear is making headway in the Illinois Senate.

House bill 60, suggested by Hoopeston Police Chief Mark Drollinger, is set for a final reading and debate in the near future, said Drollinger at Monday's Neighborhood Watch meeting.

The bill, which would require carnival workers to list their names, dates of birth and Social Security numbers in cities where the carnivals are, has been endorsed by the Illinois Department of Labor and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, Drollinger said.

One group, a lobby representing carnivals, is opposed to the measure.

The bill has already passed the Illinois House.

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## Cybercrime continued from other side

criminals to flourish, both because of the anonymity involved and because many crimes, such as frauds, are for small amounts which go unreported, Manning said.

Manning addressed two specific areas of high tech crime: child exploitation and fraud.

The Internet allows pedophiles to find children, gain their trust and set up meetings. "It's an abomination, quite frankly," she said.

Investigators now pose as teenagers to catch such criminals.

As for fraud, auction sites have become a haven for people who want to take advantage of others by selling misrepresented items or those who commit credit card and identity theft, she said. "They just sit in their living rooms and commit crimes all day," she said. "These people really are getting away with a lot."

Manning advised people to be careful about providing credit card and Social Security numbers over the Internet, using only reputable sites and reporting crimes. When in doubt, make a phone call," she said.



## Police News



A **51-year-old** woman reported Monday that someone removed the valve stem from the back right tire of her vehicle, causing the tire to go flat. The theft occurred at Baer's Trailer Court.

**Two people** were injured and three ticketed following an accident at 11:20 a.m. Tuesday at Fifth St. and East Lincoln.

Those hospitalized were unidentified passengers in a 1988 Chevrolet driven by Jason K. Simonton, 19, of 504

E. Honeywell, Apt. 5. They were treated and released from Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital.

Simonton was ticketed for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to wear a seatbelt. A passenger, Natasha Simonton, 23, was also cited for a seatbelt violation.

Also ticketed was Connie J. Hensley, 38, of #11 Parkview Court, who was cited for failure to yield turning left.

Police said Hensley, who was northbound on Fifth, turned to look at her son and hit Simonton who was southbound on Fifth.

**Perry D. Carswell**, 39, of 702 E. Elm, was arrested at 1 a.m. Wednesday in the 100 block of North Market. Officers charged Carswell with aggravated battery, aggravated fleeing and eluding, reckless driving, criminal damage to property, speeding, illegal squealing and screeching of tires, resisting arrest and intimidation.

Police said Carswell was driving erratically and at a high rate of speed from the Second Chance Saloon parking lot. Officers pursued and Carswell allegedly rutted a church lawn, knocked down a handicapped parking sign and snapped a utility pole. Police reported he struggled with officers, injuring one, and threatened the others. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

## Weather



Partly sunny today. High 80. Tonight, chance of showers. Low 60. Tomorrow, rain. High 70, low 52.

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

## Compton's Sports Bar & Grill PRESENTS Covers



9:30-12:30 Saturday. No cover charge.

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## Classifieds

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Certified Nurse Aide Class (CNA). Classes will begin on June 4th. Monday through Friday for three (3) weeks. Applications available: Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital, 701 E. Orange Street, Hoopeston, Illinois 60942. Applications will be accepted through May 23, 2001.

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### RUMMAGE SALES

Moving sale. Saturday, May 12, 9-3. 306 S. Chicago, Rossville. Love seat recliner, new electric stove, exercise bike, antiques, miscellaneous.

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## Hoopeston Jaycees

### Cookout

### Jerry's IGA

**Saturday, May 12**

**11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Butterfly pork chop  
sandwich, chips &  
drink \$3

