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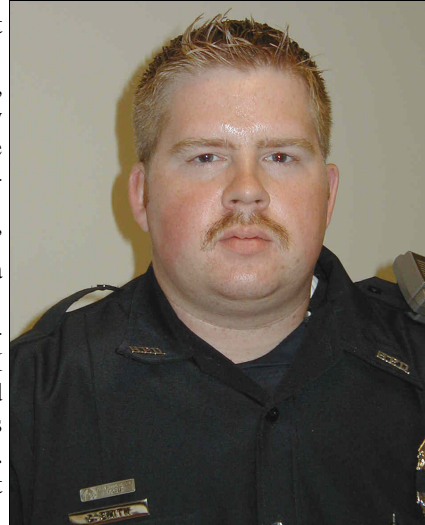
## Hoopeston's newest police officer hits streets Monday

The Hoopeston Police Department is back to full force.

The department's newest officer, Chad Smith, began work Monday after graduating last week from the Police Training Institute at the University of Illinois.

"I was excited this morning," Smith said of his first day. "And a little nervous."

Smith's desire to be a police officer stems back to his childhood. "I always thought it would be a good thing to do," he said. "When I was younger, I thought it would be cool. When I got older and realized what was involved, I thought it would be good to make a difference."



SMITH

Prior to joining the department, Smith attended Danville Area Community College, where he studied accounting in hopes of working with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He has since shelved that goal in favor of community police work. "Community is the biggest thing," he said. "I want to do that 'serve and protect.'"

Smith is looking forward to putting what he learned in training into practical application and hopes to make a difference in people's lives. "I want to give people a positive interaction with law enforcement and maybe have them go a better way," he said.

See OFFICER on other side

## Hoopeston groups band together for Fourth of July events

Several organizations are working together to make sure this Fourth of July is a good time for longer than after the sun sets.

The Hoopeston Jaycees, Lions Club, Chamber, Rotary and Girl Scouts are expected to have activities all day at McFerren Park, said Jaycee Michelle Gonzalez.

Food will be available from the Lions Club, which will have their food stand open and Rotary, whose members will sell ice cream.

The Chamber plans to have a bicycle/wagon/scooter parade and, of course, the fireworks. The Girl Scouts are set to have face-painting and the Jaycees will have a pet parade, water balloon toss, watermelon eating contest and dunk tank, Gonzalez



said.

Some events, like the food and dunk tank, will not be free; however most activities will be free to the public.

Donation cans will be available to collect money for next year's fireworks display.

While plans are firming up, one more meeting remains to iron out the details. Representatives of the groups involved will meet at 7 p. m. Tuesday at the Hoopeston American Legion to finalize plans.

The meeting is open to any group who would like to be included in the plans, Gonzalez said. "Any organization interested in helping out can come."

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## Hoopeston Jaycees



**Saturday, July 14 10 a.m.**

on Bank Street by Subway

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## Underage drinking complaint leads to three drug arrests

A complaint of underage drinking Sunday night turned into three arrests for drug possession.

### Police News



Hoopeston police were called at 4:10 p.m. Sunday to an apartment house in the 300 block of South Market for a report of youngsters drinking. When officers arrived, they arrested three people on various drug charges. Arrested were:

Jarred I. Stone, 19, of 215 E. Penn, charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of 2.5-10 grams of cannabis, possession of drug paraphernalia and illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor.

Christopher T. Ford, 19, of 218½ E. Lincoln, charged with possession of less than 2.5 grams of cannabis, possession of drug paraphernalia and ille-

### Obituaries

**McNAMARA**—Gerald T. McNamara, 56, of Hoopeston died at 11:48 a.m. Saturday, June 23, 2001 at home. There will be no funeral services. Burial will be in Sepulchre Cemetery, Worth. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home.

### Officer continued from other side

One asset Smith said he brings to the department is his ability to talk to people. "I try to find a level I can share with a person and we can communicate," he said. He learned that skill though part time jobs while attending Rossville-Alvin High School and DACC, including his first job at the Hoopeston Pamida store. He has also worked as a bank teller and cashier.

Smith, 21, comes to Hoopeston from Fairfield in southern Illinois, and Rossville. His father, James, was transferred to Rossville with Trunkline Gas in 1993. His father and mother, Gretta, still live in Rossville.

Smith and his wife, Christina, live in Hoopeston. For the next few weeks, Smith will be working all three shifts at the department, getting to know the officers and learning more about the city. It's information he hopes will serve him well for some time. "I plan on being her for a while," he said.

gal consumption of alcohol by a minor.

James L. Pastley, 26, of 209 S. Market, Apt. 12, charged with possession of

less than 2.5 grams of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Stone was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville. Ford and Pastley were released on notices to appear.

In other police news:

**No tickets** or injuries were reported in an accident at 5:46 p.m. Sunday in the alley between East Thompson and Wyman.

Police said Arthur D. Crose of Hoopeston, in a 2000 Ford F-150, backed into a utility pole. Crose damaged his truck but not the pole.

**A blue Huffy** dirt bike was found Monday behind a Dumpster in the alley behind 301 W. Main. The owner may identify and claim it at the police station.

**An unknown** vehicle hit the fence at the northwest corner of McFerren Park. Three poles and part of the fence were damaged.

**The Hoopeston Fire Department** was called at 7:43 a.m. Monday to a gas spill at Casey's on Penn.

### In the Hospital



#### Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital

June 21

**Admitted:** Barbara Brittingham, Indianapolis, Ind..

**Discharged:** Bonnie Dubea, Barbara Brittingham.

June 22-23

Nothing to report.

June 24

**Admitted:** Gladys Ingold, Charles Johnson, Hoopeston.

**Discharged:** none.

### Weather



Sunny today. High 84. Tonight, clear. Low 65. Tomorrow, partly cloudy, isolated thunderstorms. High 85, low 64.

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

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Part time teller position needed at Community Bank. Qualifications: high school graduate, good math skills, available to work flexible hours. Apply in person at Main Office, 221 Bank St., Hoopeston

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