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## Miss Louisiana is crowned pageant's National Sweetheart

Miss Louisiana, Melissa Elise Clark, was named the National Sweetheart Sunday after three nights of pageantry.

The pageant was part of the 58th National Sweetcorn Festival sponsored by the Hoopeston Jaycees.

Clark, 21, also won the talent competition, performing the vocal "Wishing You



CLARK

Were Somehow Here Again" by Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Clark is a native of Ruston, La., and attends Louisiana Tech University. She hopes to one day head the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

First runner-up was Miss California, Kimberly Gloudemans, followed by Melanie Beth Correia, miss Massachusetts, second runner-up; Miss Michigan, Madonna Kimberly Emond, third runner-up; and Jamie Watkins, Miss Tennessee, fourth runner-up. Miss New Jersey, Kameelah Majied, was named Miss Congeniality.

## Police News



**Police** are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported Friday on McFerren Rd. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2000 Dodge Stratus owned by Evelyn Meador of Hoopeston.

**Bradley W. Boyne**, 17, of Lot 191, Falcon Court, Rantoul, was arrested at 9:50 p.m. Friday at McFerren Park. He was charged with disobeying a police officer. Police said Boyne was told not to return the to park after citizen complaints of him fighting. Boyne came back and was arrested.

He was released on a notice to appear.

**Jeremy W. Burks**, 19, of 819 E. Main, was charged with leav-  
**See POLICE on other side**



Photos by Lourdine Florek

## Festival fun

It wouldn't be a National Sweetcorn Festival without corn cooked with an old fashioned steam engine. Working behind the scenes, the corn crew tends to the engine and the corn.

**Congratulations!**  
**The Festival was great!**  
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**Thursday, Sept. 6, 2001—7 p.m.**  
**City Hall,**  
301 W. Main St., Hoopeston, IL  
**RSVP to FIRST ALLIED**  
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## Police continued from other side

ing the scene of a property damage accident and failure to reduce speed after an accident at 6:18 a.m. Saturday in the 400 block of East McNeil.

Police said Burks, in a 1985 Ford van, hit a parked 1992 Mercury owned by Betty Lile of 721 S. Market.

Burks was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville, in lieu of bond.

A piece of equipment was reported taken Friday night or Saturday morning from the 300 block of North Dixie Hwy.

Janessa Blincoe of 918 S. Fifth Ave., Hoopeston, was treated and released from Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital after an accident at 11:35 a.m. Saturday in the 200 block of North Eighth Ave.

Police said Blincoe was struck by a southbound 2001 Ford truck driven by Jennifer D. Ramos of 607 Sycamore. Police said Blincoe reported that she bent down on the left side of the trailer to pick up an item and the trailer moved forward knocking her to the ground.

No tickets were issued.

A 26-year-old Hoopeston man reported Sunday that someone cut a screen at his home in the 600 block of Judson.

Ryan A. Goodrum, 21, of 314 W. Maple, was arrested at 11:16 p.m. Saturday at McFerren Park, charged with battery after police said he hit a 44-year-old secu-

rity worker at the beer tent.

Goodrum was released on a notice to appear.

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