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Residents demonstrate patriotism during national crisis

Flags and ribbons are adorning many Hoopeston homes in the wake of Tuesday's suicide bombing of the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Washington.

Residents and business owners have dusted off Old Glory in a show of patriotism. Those who did not have flags and who could not find them after Tuesday's incident, are displaying their sentiments with red, white and blue bows, which are also visible on light poles down Main Street.

Danny Coon and Danny Pierce are two residents who worked to show their patriotism with a special display in front of Coon's home at 618 S. Sixth Ave. A handmade wooden flag says "God Bless America, Home of the Brave." The display is completed with an American flag lighted for night viewing.

Public entities are also showing their colors. Hoopeston Area High and Middle School is draped with a large 48-star flag while 65 small flags adorn the "welcome" signs at Main and Rt. 1. ESDA coordinator Earl Drollinger, responsible for that display, thanked the Hoopeston VFW for providing him with the flags.

Residents are expressing support on their clothing, too, with red, white and blue ribbons accessorizing everything from Sunday suits to sweatshirts.

Besides colorful displays, many businesses used their portable signs to express their support for our nation. Letters proclaiming "God Bless America" can be seen throughout the city, as well as messages of love and prayers offered for survivors, families, rescue workers and government leaders.

Churches are also doing what they can to provide comfort. Many churches held special services Tuesday night and some, like St. Anthony Catholic Church last week left its doors open, an invitation for residents to stop and pray.



Photo by Lourdine Florek

Danny Pierce and Danny Coon display a handmade wooden flag and their sentiments after Tuesday's kamikaze crashes into the World Trade Center and Pentagon. Many residents displaying their patriotism.

Niece of area woman rescued

An area woman is giving thanks for rescue workers at the Pentagon.

Pam Whiteman of East Lynn said her niece, Cindi Gritton Lersten, was rescued from the Pentagon Tuesday. She was there in connection with her job with the Department of Energy. Lersten, 35, expects her first child at the end of October, Whiteman said.

After giving birth, Lersten expects to join her husband, Tom, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. However, world events may change that plan, Whiteman said.

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Police News



David Gonzalez, 27, of 421 E. Honeywell, was arrested at 1 p.m. Thursday in the 400 block of East Honeywell. He was charged with domestic battery on a complaint from a 24-year-old Hoopeston woman following an altercation.

Gonzalez was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Jodi G. Wells, 23, of 313 S. Third Ave., was arrested at 6:13 p.m. Thursday at West Penn and South Third Ave., charged with driving on revocation.

She was released on \$100 cash bond.

Santos Guarjardo, 36, of 16 Parkview Court, was arrested at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at West Penn and Seventh Ave. He was charged with driving on revocation.

He was released on \$100 cash bond.

A **41-year-old** Hoopeston woman reported Friday that someone took medication from her vehicle while it was parked in the 100 block of North Market.

A **41-year-old** Hoopeston man reported Friday that someone scratched his 1994 Chevrolet truck.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 5:01 p.m. Friday in the 300 block of South Market.

Police said Louise Griner of Hoopeston, in a 1986 Buick, backed from a parking space at Price Less and

started forward, striking a 1997 Ford Taurus driven by Leila M. Pocialik, also of Hoopeston.

Griner was at fault for improper lane usage.

A **13-year-old** Hoopeston girl reported Friday that someone took her pink and purple Huffy bicycle from outside Dollar General on South Dixie Hwy. Another bicycle was left in its place, police said.

Two people were arrested following an incident at Parkview Court at 2:24 a.m. Saturday.

John E. Hensley, 42, of 11 Parkview Court, was charged with battery on a complaint from a 34-year-old man. The man was treated at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital for injuries he sustained in the fight.

Tammy L. Crozier, 39, of 13 Parkview Court, was charged with disorderly conduct for her actions during the incident.

Both were released on notices to appear.

Matthew M. Hofer, 18, of 528 W. Elm, was arrested at 11:04 p.m. Saturday in the 100 block of East Main.

Fire Calls



The Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 1:30 a.m. Saturday to a fire at an abandoned building at 625 E. McCracken. The building was fully engulfed. The fire was spotted by a Hoopeston Police officer on patrol.

Obituaries

RIFE—Calvin Wayne Rife, 57, of Rossville, died at 1:40 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, 2001 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Wolfe Family Funeral Home, Rossville. Burial will be in Rossville Cemetery. Visitation was 5-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Weather



Mostly cloudy, chance of showers this afternoon, tonight and tomorrow. High today 75, low 59. Tomorrow's high 73, low 55.

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

He was charged with battery on a complaint from a 20-year-old Hoopeston woman who told police Hofer struck her.

He was released on \$100 cash bond.

Two people were arrested after a traffic stop at 1:46 a.m. Sunday at East Penn and Fourth St.

Domingo Reyes, 25, of 618 S. Third St., was charged with illegal transportation of alcohol.

A 15-year-old boy was cited for no valid driver's license and released to his parents.

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