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Sunday night sub rolls perfect 300 game at Pla-Mor Lanes

GRESS

Eric Gress' value as a bowling sub increased substantially on Oct. 21.

Gress, who subs for the Sunday Night Mixed League, rolled a 300 game at Pla-Mor Lanes.

Going into the eleventh frame, Gress had a 280. It wasn't until that frame that he began to get nervous. Eight teams of four bowlers were there that night and all turned to watch. "Everybody actually stopped and that made it worse because you know everybody's watching you," Gress said.

It was in the last frame that Gress almost blew his run. A right-hander, Gress aims for the 1-3 pocket but during the eleventh frame, he threw a Brooklyn, hitting the 1-2

Rolling the perfect game was "pretty exciting," said Gress, who has a 200 average. "I think the first thing I did was hug my mom," he said.

pocket instead. "But I still got a strike," he said.

His mother, JoAnne Gress, who, with her husband, Dennis, owns Pla-Mor Lanes, was excited for her son. "It was beautiful," she said. "It was cool be-

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cause everything got quiet and then they all started cheering."

She was especially pleased because her son bowled well because of skill and not favorable lane conditions. "We have a pretty tough house," she said. "You have to be more accurate with your shot."

Gress, now 23, has bowled since he was five years old. Besides subbing on most Sundays, he also plays once a month on a traveling league.

Although he has reached a milestone many bowlers only dream of, he still has one goal left: rolling an 800 series. "That's probably harder to do than a

300 because you have to average 266 for three games," he said.



Movie-goers in Hoopeston and the surrounding area will see the wizardry of cinema combined with the popularity of a children's book when *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* opens Friday at the Lorraine Theatre I.

The two hour and 22 minute, PG-rated film is adapted from the first of J.K. Rowling's children's novels about a boy who learns that he is the orphaned son of two powerful wizards and that he has powers of his own.

The film is expected to do well nationally and locally. "With our presentation and this very good story with great effects, I think it will be the movie event of the winter season," said theater owner Greg Boardman.

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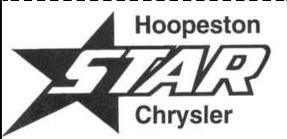
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Tiny Tots

"Caps, Hats & Mittens" is the theme of this week's Tiny Tots story program sponsored by the Hoopeston Public Library. Children may wear their favorite hat or

The program will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Hoopeston Multi Agency, 206 S. First Ave. It is open to children ages 1-4 who are accompanied by an adult.

Open wrestling practice

Hoopeston Area High School will hold open wrestling

Potter continued from other side

"The movie has some great special effects, including sound effects which are mixed in a special way to come from behind and over the heads of the audience," Boardman said. "This takes special equipment which only we have in central Illinois, so we have an exclusive in this regard." The movie is in Scope format, so it is much wider than it is tall, and will go all the way across the Lorraine's big screen

Advance tickets are not being sold for *Harry Potter*. However, those who purchase movie pass booklets may use those tickets for the film and will not have to stand in line to buy tickets, Boardman said.

Booklets are \$20 for children and \$25 for adults and are available at the box office and Global Fashions.

While those with passes from booklets won't have to stand in line to purchase a ticket, they may have to wait in line to be seated since all seats are first come, first served. Boardman said.

Harry Potter will be in Hoopeston until Dec. 20, spending two to three weeks at Lorraine 1 and the remainder at Lorraine 2.

Fish Fry

5-8 p.m. Friday

American Legion

502 E. Penn, Hoopeston

Fish Dinner \$5.50 Shrimp Dinner \$6.50, Chicken Dinner \$7.00, ribs: half rack \$8.50, full rack \$16

Includes slaw, baked beans, roll & fries.

practice from 5:30 - 6:45 Friday, Nov. 16. Everyone is welcome to meet the coaches and wrestling team.

America Recycles Day

Nov. 15 is America Recycles Day. Residents are urged to take part in the free curbside recycling program offered by Vermilion Waste. Of Hoopeston's approximately 2,400 homes, only about 250 signed up to recy-

To sign up, call the landfill at 283-6242.

Obituaries

BAKER—Fernola May Baker, 83, of Hoopeston, died at 4:02 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2001 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Vistiation will be 5-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Police News



Vicki L. Underwood, 43, of 827 E. Seminary, was arrested at 11:38 p.m. Tuesday at Seminary and Market. She was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, driving under the influence of alcohol over .08 and illegal transportation of alcohol.

Underwood was released on \$300 cash bond. Her vehicle was towed from the scene.

Weather



Partly sunny today and tomorrow. Highs 65, lows 45. For current weather conditions, call the Hoopeston Weather Line at (217) 283-6221.

Annual Bazaar & Crafts Sale Country Terrace Apartments Friday, Nov 16 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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